
Copies of the full financial statements, which have attached to them an unqualified report by the Society’s auditors, may be obtained from the Society’s office on request.

The Haileybury Society incorporating the OH Society and the USC & ISC Society.
From the President Roland Gillott (A 61)

The Society is well into its Diamond Jubilee year, 60 years since the Old Haileyburian Society amalgamated with the USC & ISC Society on 2nd August 1957 and became The Haileybury Society.

My Presidential term has seen the retirement of one Master and the arrival of a new Master.

In March, with Past Presidents from his period in office, we had a farewell lunch for retiring Master Joe Davies. He has been a great friend of the Society, frequently attending our AGMs and other occasions, and keeping us informed of achievements and developments at Haileybury. The Senior Members Luncheon in April gave us the opportunity in a larger gathering to express our appreciation for the support which he has given to us, and to wish him well in his retirement.

Our first event with the new Master, Martin Collier, was at the end of August, a jointly hosted Dinner in Common Room for OHs who are current parents at the College. This provided an early opportunity on behalf of the Society to welcome Martin and his wife Alli to the Haileybury Community.

Attending gatherings, I have noticed how much Old Haileyburians enjoy meeting up with each other. This may be round the table at one of our larger events, such as the Senior Members Luncheon, the West Country Luncheon in May, arranged by Roger Bass (Staff 1976-99) or the Summer Reunion in June, or it may be at one of the smaller gatherings such as The Richard Palmer Memorial Rackets Trophy Competition in June, the Haileybury Hermit’s cricket match (the Haileybury Ashes) against a touring team of Old Haileyburians from Haileybury in Australia in July, the Schools Veterans Meeting at Bisley also in July or the visit to RAF Wyton Heritage Centre, including the Pathfinder Collection, arranged by Brian (Roy) Durham (C 57) in September.

Our theme for the Diamond Jubilee year is ‘The Spirit of Service’ which is very much part of the Haileyburian ethic. The year provides all of us with the opportunity to consider what ‘The Spirit of Service’ means for us in the circumstances in which we find ourselves now.

During the year there have been discussions with Council concerning the relationship between the Society and the College. These are referred to in more detail elsewhere. Following on from the outcome of these, I will be standing down as President at the Society’s AGM in December after one year rather than continuing for a second year.

Catherine Macleod-Smith (L & Alb 79)’s six year term as Chairman of Trustees is coming to an end. There will be an opportunity at the AGM to express our thanks to her. Suffice it to say here that we have been very fortunate to have Catherine as our Chairman during what have been important years for the Society.

Carrying out my role would not be possible without the support received from Jane Everard (L 76 & Alb), our Society Secretary, and from those in the Society Office, Lawrence Baker (C 83), our Alumni Coordinator, and Liz Drew, our Administrative Assistant. I am very grateful to them all.
The Executive Officers, Trustees, General Committee members and advisers who were in office on 31 May 2017 are listed below. The Trustees listed were elected or re-elected at the Society’s AGM on 3 December 2016.

1. Reference and Administrative Information

President
TN Roland Gillott (A 61)

Chairman of the Trustees
TNI Catherine MacLeod-Smith (L & Alb 79)

Society Secretary (Honorary)
NI Jane Everard (nee Etherington) (L 76 & Alb)

Honorary Treasurer
Colin Barber (K 61)

Immediate past Presidents who serve on the General Committee
T Chris Darnell (M 65)
C Michael Freegard (BF 47)
T Donald Macleod (A 50)
Luke Miller (Ha 79)

Elected Members – General Committee
T Nick Courtney (M 60)
Sophie Day (C 11)
T Doug Everard (BF 73)
T Suse Flint-Cahan (nee Guilbridge) (Alb & B 93)
N Helen Goddard (Alb & C 98)
Graham Goddard (B 64)
T Chris Lowe (L 62)
Stephen Miller (LS & L 09)
Charles Monk (Staff 1981-2014)
T Lawrence Sorrentino (LS, RD & B 94)
N Ben Tett (Th 92)
N Peter Thomas (A 75)
TI James Walker (Ha 96)
I Scott Woods (LS & Th 08)

T = Trustee N = Nominations I = Investments
C = Consultant to the Trustees

John Cook (A 63), Richard Goldson (BF 62), John Dodwell (BF 59) and William Walker-Arnott (B 95) (all former Trustees) are also appointed by the Trustees as members of the Investment sub-committee.

John Duncan of Messrs Gilbert Allen & Co, the Society’s Auditors, is invited to attend meetings of the General Committee and of the Trustees as and when necessary.

Registered office
The Haileybury Society, Haileybury, Hertford SG13 7NU

Bankers
National Westminster Bank plc, 104 Fore Street, Hertford SG14 1HF
National Westminster Bank plc, 214 High Holborn, London WC1V 7BX
CCLA Charity Funds, 80 Cheapside, London EC2V 6DZ

Investment Manager
Investec Wealth Management, 2 Gresham Street, London EC2V 7QP

Auditors
Gilbert Allen & Co, Churchdown Chambers, Bordyke, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 1NR

2. Objectives

The Society’s objectives are to assist and promote educational priorities in connection with Haileybury, to form a bond between itself and the College and to develop and strengthen the spirit of service to the community. There are ten subsidiary charity funds registered with the Charity Commission. The objectives of these subsidiaries are summarised on the Charity Commission website and are available as a separate document from the Society Office.

3. Activities

The Haileybury Society organizes events and publications that enable it to serve its members and provides practical and financial support to Haileybury.

4. Achievements and Performance

One of the highlights of the past year was the presentation of the OH portraits following the AGM in Big School. Field Marshal Sir John Chapple, General The Lord David Ramsbotham and General Sir Rupert Smith were all able to attend and only a new play preview (his 81st) prevented Sir Alan Ayckbourn from attending. The project, the brainchild of the Honorary Archivist, Toby Parker and our Society Secretary, Jane Everard, involved inviting OH Amy Thomas (LS, C & M 98) back to the School for an Internship in order to paint the portraits of four of our most distinguished OHs.

We hosted two highly enjoyable lunches in the Spring, a case of old and in with the new. Roland Gillott (A61) hosted a lunch at The Travellers Club where past Presidents during Joe Davies’ time as Master of Haileybury gathered to wish Joe well in his retirement and to thank him for all his support for the Society. Roland knew of Joe’s interest in Castlereagh and had arranged for the bust of Lord Castlereagh to be in the Library, where the lunch was held.

Two weeks earlier the Trustees hosted a lunch at the Oxford and Cambridge Club to meet with the new Master, Martin Collier, who joined the School for the Autumn term from St Johns’ School, Leatherhead. Whilst it was primarily a social occasion it was interesting to hear Martin speak about how he valued past pupils of schools as custodians of the history and spirit of the place.

The now annual event of Senior Members Lunch at the RAF Club continues to be well attended as does the Kipling Dinner. We have continued to hold networking events, with varying degrees of attendance, and smaller events. One such event, greatly enjoyed by all that attended, was a visit to the Pathfinder Museum organised by Brian Durham (C57).

For the second year we hosted a highly successful evening at the Masters’ Lodge where new members of the Society (UIV pupils) met with representatives of the OH clubs. The Sports Clubs continue to put on a varied series of events and this year the OH Masonic Lodge held a very enjoyable lunch at the Grand Lodge. The event was well attended and included a tour of the Grand Lodge which gave a fascinating insight in to the history of Freemasonry.

This will be the fifth year that the Society has amalgamated news from the past year with the Annual Report. The Alumni Coordinator sends out Quarterly eNews to complement publication of the Annual Newsletter and contributions for both communications are
always welcome. We also send two publications from School, Hearts & Wings and Events, to Society Members.

Although the communication to Members regarding moving away from School was published outside our Financial Year I could not really conclude my Report without mentioning it. As we continue to look at how we support the School moving forward I just wanted to conclude by saying that the Trustees take our responsibility for protecting the interests of our Members very seriously and we look forward to maintaining a dialogue with you about what forms this might take as we move into the next phase of the Society’s history.

5. Financial Results

Over the past fourteen years the Society has been able to make grants to the College totaling £1,081,069. In the year under review grants of £97,409 were distributed as follows:–

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6. Financial Review

Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and reporting by charities (SORP 2015), and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102). The Haileybury Society is a public benefit entity and has applied the relevant public benefit provisions of FRS 102. The Haileybury Society is preparing its financial statements in accordance with FRS 102 for the first time and consequently has applied the first time adoption requirements. An explanation of how this transition has affected these financial statements is provided in note 17. The Trustees of the Society are satisfied that The Haileybury Society has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future and, accordingly, these financial statements have been prepared on the basis that The Haileybury Society is a going concern.

Assets and Obligations

The Society does not own any freehold or leasehold property and there are no significant liabilities.

Investment Policy and Performance

The Trustees’ Investment policy is to balance security, income and capital growth. The management of the investments, including those of the subsidiary funds, is undertaken by Investec Wealth Management under the terms of a management agreement approved by the Trustees. The structure of the investment portfolio and the performance of the investment managers are monitored regularly by the Investment Sub-Committee.

Overall incoming resources moved from £276,858 to £155,460. This was due to a significant legacy received in 2016 which was mentioned in last year’s report. Grants paid to the College rose by £53,551 to £97,409 which reflects the continuing commitment of the Trustees to the Society’s charitable objectives. Funds carried forward at the end of the year closed at £2,005,175, which included the legacy amount received in 2016.

Grant-making Policy and Activity

The Trustees make grants to Haileybury with the aim of a) providing bursaries for pupils who might otherwise be unable to attend or remain at Haileybury and b) providing or improving facilities and prizes which the College might otherwise be unable to afford. Scholarship and bursary awards are also made from the subsidiary restricted funds administered by the Society in accordance with the purposes prescribed by their donors.

Sources of funds

The running costs of the Society, including the provision of membership services, are met from the Life Subscription fund. Grants and awards are made to the College from the Society’s investment income and from additional voluntary subscriptions made by members. From time to time the Society receives legacies from the estates of deceased members.

7. Reserves Policy

The Trustees Policy is to retain sufficient reserves to fund the Society’s ongoing activities.

8. Plans for the Future

There are many practical considerations regarding the move away from School and it is anticipated that it will take the Society Officers and members of staff until the end of the first quarter of 2018 to set up our new operating environment.

One very timely development will be the introduction of a new Membership database which will not only enable us to comply with incoming Data Protection legislation but will also enable us to communicate with Members in a way that reflects their wishes.

We will continue to keep you informed on progress and of course to address any comments or concerns which you may have.

9. Strategy

With so much work on operational efficiency it is only appropriate that the Society should also work on its strategic objectives and we will continue to develop an implementation plan for the Society’s strategy in the light of developments at the end of 2017.

10. Research

There are no plans to commission specific research at this stage. Officers of the Society will continue to attend events organized by AROPS (Association of Representatives of Old Pupils Societies), the Association of Chairs and Investec to share best practice and to monitor developments in our sector that we may need to reflect in the management of our activities.

11. Legacies

There were no new legacies received in the financial year.

12. Constitution, Structure, Governance and Management

The Haileybury Society was constituted as an unincorporated association on 2 August 1957. It is a registered charity (Number 310014) and its governing document is its Rules. The draft Rules were agreed by the Trustees in May 2015, by the Charities Commission in November 2015, circulated to members with the 2014/5 Annual Report and ratified at the AGM in December 2015. They are available on our website, www.hailsoc.net and from the Society office.
Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 May 2017

Membership has always been open to former pupils, past and present members of staff and governors of Haileybury and Imperial Service College (Haileybury) and its predecessor schools.

Organisation
The functional composition of the Trustees and the General Committee have remained the same in the past financial year. The objectives and terms of office of both these bodies are summarised in the Rules.

The Executive Officers are accountable to the Trustees for the exercise of their responsibilities, normally through their Chairman.

The Society operates within a detailed annual budget approved by the Trustees. Responsibility for organising social and promotional events in the UK and overseas is delegated to selected volunteer members of the Society.

The Trustees listed were elected or re-elected at the Society’s AGM on December 3rd 2016.

Risk management
Monitoring the Governance of the Society, including identifying Risk and any mitigation required, is now an established agenda item at Trustees’ meetings to enable us to provide an audit trail if required.

We will continue to pay particular attention to changes recommended in SORP guidelines and Data Protection legislation and will make amendments to operational and reporting activities accordingly.

13. Public Benefit
The Trustees have paid due regard to the Charity Commission’s guidance on public benefit in their direction of the Society’s activities.

14. Payment to Beneficiaries
This has already been summarised in Grant Making Policy and Activity and Financial Results.

15. Statement of Trustees’ Responsibility
Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year:
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- state whether the policies are in accordance with applicable accounting standards
- prepare the Financial Statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in operation.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Catherine MacLeod-Smith (Chairman)
1 November 2017

Catherine Macleod-Smith (L & Alb 79) Chairman of Trustees 2011-2017

At the Society’s AGM on 2nd December 2017 Catherine will step down as Chairman of Trustees after six years in office. During this period she has worked tirelessly on behalf of the Society in all areas, most notably its governance, data protection and investments. Under her leadership the Society’s investment portfolio has risen to over £2 million and she spear-headed the review of our Investment Managers in 2014. In addition, she has attended a large number of our events and reunions despite her busy schedule outside the Society and is hugely popular with younger and older OHs alike. We are very lucky that we are not losing her altogether and she will continue as a Trustee.

Prior to heading up the Society, Catherine has in the past had a successful career in marketing and change management including spells in a direct marketing organisation and in the oil industry which included an 18-month period based in Lisbon. During this assignment, she went from knowing no Portuguese to fluency in a matter of months to the extent of being able to run meetings in Portuguese. This proved to be one of the most important periods of her life and helped develop a love of the country and its distinctive culture. She also has had a period working as an events coordinator for an environmental charity and was involved in organising dozens of events which were aimed at both fundraising and awareness. Several of these events focused upon the needs of life limited children and their parents. These proved to be some of the most rewarding times Catherine has ever been involved in and led to her being co-author of a wildlife book aimed at disadvantaged children.

In addition, Catherine is a lifelong competitive horse woman. In her younger days she competed in the sport of Eventing combining Dressage, Cross Country and Show Jumping. Now having made an agreement with her family not to pursue the hazardous cross country element, she restricts herself to show jumping and dressage on her home-bred thoroughbred ‘Hattie’ although in typical fashion, in the last few years she has spiced things up by taking to riding and competing side saddle. She has proven herself to be very capable at side saddle and regularly competes at the National Side Saddle championships and is on the organising committee of one of the Side Saddle Associations regional area in which her event organisational skills have proven to be of great value.

Catherine and I first met at a committee meeting nine years ago but didn’t really get to know each other until 2012, since which time we have worked closely together as part of the Society’s executive team. Her sense of humour and faith have sustained us during some challenging times (not to mention pasta, wine, tea and cake!) Through our shared love of all things Haileybury (particularly Chapel, Lawrence and Alban’s) I feel like I have known her forever and I am blessed to have her as a friend.

I am also very grateful to her husband John and daughter Hannah for their understanding of all the long meetings, early morning phone calls and late night texts particularly in recent months – thank you both.

Jane Everard (L 76 & Alb) Society Secretary

Photo: Catherine with Hattie. The church in the background is St Ippolyts where Catherine was christened, confirmed and married.
Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 May 2017

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**Net (outgoing) incoming resources for the year**

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**Balance sheet as at 31st May 2017**

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Diamond Jubilee Celebration
On 2 August 2017 a group of OHs from the Society’s committees and sports clubs, together with past Presidents and honoured guests gathered at The Capital Hotel in London to raise a glass of champagne to commemorate the start of the Society’s 60th year. This event was hosted by President Roland Gillott (A 61)

Alban’s Reunion 2017
A reunion to mark the 40th Anniversary of Alban’s as the first girls house was hosted by Jane Everard (L 76 & Alb) one of the original Alban’s girls in 1977, and Suse Flint-Cahan (Alb & B 93) on Saturday 10 June 2017. Over 70 guests comprising 35 former pupils and their families as well as former HMs and tutors and current pupils from Alban’s enjoyed a delicious barbeque expertly cooked by Alumni Co-ordinator, Lawrence Baker (C 83). The weather was beautiful and it was a lovely occasion with many stories and memories exchanged.

It was particularly nice to be able to welcome back the original HM Martin Stephen (Staff 1972-83) and his wife Jenny. There was a House blessing by the Haileybury Chaplain, Reverend Chris Briggs and a touching speech by one of the original Alban’s girls Fiona Illingworth (nee Short)(BF 76). The weather was beautiful and it was a lovely occasion with many stories and memories exchanged.

Thanks must go to outgoing HM Lizzie Alexander for allowing the event to take place in her garden, as well as to the current Alban’s girls who mingled with our guests and provided tours of the school.

Baby Angus!
Steve Angus (E 91) has sent us a photo of his new son Benjamin Anthony John Angus born on 26th September 2017 in France. Ben is named in recognition of Steve’s late father and OH Anthony Angus (E 35). Both Mother, Father and big sister are all doing well! A future Haileyburian, we hope!

Barber family
Only two family members missing: Nick Bayliss (L 86) and Nick Callaway (K 95) – taking into account time spent at Haileybury Junior School in Windsor to summer 2018 when Graham’s eldest granddaughter Chloe will leave Haileybury the Barber family will have spanned 65 years at Haileybury (1955-2018). Graham still has several other grandchildren some of whom might yet enjoy a Haileybury experience!

Back Row: Colin Barber (K 61), John Barber (K 63), Christopher Barber (K 66), Philip Barber (K 76)
Front Row: Graham Barber (K 57), Chloe Landymore (LS & M 11), Paul Barber (K 97), Ben Landymore (LS & K 10), Nigel Barber (K 88)

RAC Pall Mall (22 June, 2017) – individuals who at various stages have played for the OHRFC
L to R: Tony Harper (K 60), John Farmer (Ha 57), Michael Clark (K 60), Colin Barber (K 61), Malcolm Conway (M 57), Tom Huckin (B 65, Chairman of OHRFC), Graham Barber (K 57), Peter Doran (A 56), Peter Crane (Th 58)
News and Features

**Presentation of OH Portraits to Haileybury**

In 2015 The Haileybury Society commissioned OH Amy Thomas (LS, Alb & M 98) to paint portraits in oils of four eminent living OHs. The framed portraits, in which Amy aptly captures their distinctive characters, were presented to Haileybury by the Society at a special event on 3 December 2016. The subjects of the portraits are Sir Alan Ayckbourn CBE (Tr 52), Field Marshal Sir John Chapple GCB CBE DL (K 45), General The Lord Ramsbotham GCB CBE (M 48), General Sir Rupert Smith KCB DSO OBE QGM (A 57).

The College Archivist Toby Parker spoke of the long tradition of the Society giving portraits to the College to mark the achievements of its former pupils.

Amy trained as a portrait painter under the excellent tuition of Allan Ramsey at the Heatherley School of Fine Art while working on her PhD at the Bartlett School of Architecture, University College.

In 2015 she submitted her thesis ‘The City of London, 1945-1993: Architecture, Planning and Finance’ and she was appointed a Collegiate Assistant Professor and Harper-Schmidt Fellow in the Department of Art History at the University of Chicago in that year.

In July 2017 Amy took up her new appointment as Assistant Professor of the History of Architecture and Urban Planning at UT Delft.
News and Features

**OH Bristol Reunion**
Sometimes it really does only take two OHs to make a Reunion happen! Stefan Watts (LS & L 91) and Mike Zeidler (C 79), both local to the area have set up a regular Bristol get together, so watch our website and Facebook page for further dates and details.

If you would like to help organize an event in your area please drop Lawrence Baker an email thehaileyburysociety@gmail.com

**The Annual Reunion – June 2017**
A Reunion hosted by President Roland Gillott (A 61) and Society Secretary Jane Everard (L & Alb 76) was held at Haileybury on Saturday 24 June 2017 for all OHs who attended Haileybury pre-1985, including staff from that era. It was fantastic to welcome back so many OHs to the College, together with their spouses/partners, children, and grandchildren.

Over 100 people attended and guests enjoyed a wonderful buffet lunch in the Shack followed by tea and cake in front of the Second XI cricket match against Uppingham. Guests were also able to reminisce about their time at Haileybury by flicking through old editions of The Haileyburian which were on show thanks to College Archivist Toby Parker. Other entertainment included a session for children on Haileybury’s very own climbing wall, outdoor games, bouncy castle, and Haileybury Society colouring books.

The Society is very grateful to the College for allowing us to host this event back at Haileybury. OHs very much enjoyed their tours of the College and their Houses by current pupils, as well as the Chapel service taken by Chaplain Revd Chris Briggs which included a resounding rendition of the school hymn ‘Lift up your Hearts’. It was a wonderful afternoon and a lovely chance for fellow OHs from across the decades to reconnect, share their Haileybury experiences, and enjoy the sunshine.

Particular thanks must go to Jemma Johns for providing the delicious lunch and cakes, to Georgina Maszlin (Exams Office) and Stephen Miller (LS & L 09) for their hard work in making the day such a success, and to Helen Mitchell (School Office) for enabling the children to enjoy the schools’ climbing wall.

**Retirement Mentoring**
The Haileybury Society offers ‘retirement mentoring’ for the period after full-time employment. This is an opportunity to talk to a fellow OH, particularly for those who are starting to plan for their retirement, but it can also be for those who are already retired, and who would also like to have a conversation about retirement.

With the period after full-time employment having the potential to be a fulfilling part of our lives, it may help to hear what has worked for someone else within the Society, or perhaps what they wished they had done differently. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact the Society Office thehaileyburysociety@gmail.com

Roland Gillott (A 61)

**The Oldie Quadruple**
There was possibly a unique Haileybury quadruple that happened within the publishing world in 2016.

Imogen Thomas, (wife of former Allenby housemaster Jack Thomas) and David Rimmer (Th 76) both had letters published in the July edition of The Oldie magazine. Thomas’s humorous letter was in response to an amusing piece by Quentin Letts (Ha 76) in the June edition on the old tradition of apple pie beds in boarding schools.

David Rimmer’s was more serious. He picked his subject on Labour losing part of their working class base to UKIP in reply to a column by Simon Carr (K 66) in the May edition on the masses flexing their muscles against the Progressive Left. Rimmer also had a letter published in the June edition of the Oldie in response to a piece by Letts which mentioned his late father R.F.B. Letts (Ha 41) in the April issue.

As its name implies, The Oldie is a monthly magazine for readers over a certain age and is not as serious in content as The Spectator. Using the letters as a barometer, The Oldie readers are mainly discerning and middle-class. The magazine was founded in 1992 by former Private Eye editor Richard Ingrams along with Auberon Waugh, Alexander Chancellor and Stephen Glover.

David Rimmer (Th 76)

**William Miller (Ha 65)**
**Antiques Roadshow**
William wrote to tell us he was filmed by the BBC for the Antiques Roadshow at Helmingham Hall, Suffolk, and will let us know when it will be broadcast.

He was wearing his OH tie (we would expect nothing less, William!) when photographed with Rupert Maas, the Roadshow’s pictures expert.

**Sound Improvements**
Please be advised that Hearing Loops (audio induction loops) have now been installed in Chapel as well as Big School.

These hearing loops will provide a magnetic wireless signal that is picked up by the hearing aid when it is set to ‘T’ (Telecoil) setting.

There are also Portable Hearing Loops available to borrow from Haileybury Reception that can be moved between rooms as required to be used in small rooms where conversation between two people takes place.
Reminiscences of a rather Old Haileyburian
Brian Durham (C 57)

The first few hours...

Some 60 years ago I vaguely recall the drive up The Avenue and arrival at The Porter's Lodge.

Clearly, however, I remember congregating with the other New Guv'nors in the Common Room at the end of House, our off duty home for the next few terms.

Within minutes the House door flew open. Enter David Sapte, one of the experienced, dreaded second or third termers.

"Guv'nor," he shouted at me. I turned to him, and offered my hand, "How do you do?"

I can still hear his near hysterical laughter as he ran back down House to announce the arrival of this idiot.

I vowed then to greet "my" new Guv'nors with kindness and understanding.

Probably coincidentally, "fagging" ended in Colvin before I left. I recollect no direct input unless doing it very badly contributed!

By total coincidence some three to four years later Colvin welcomed a particularly talented group of new Guv'nors – their talents as yet unrecognised.

I was lucky enough to be the House Prefect in charge of them and trained them to win both the junior inter-House Boxing and Army Drill Competitions (trophies previously foreign to Colvin).

I digress.

I had barely time to recover from my "official" welcome when we were shepherded down to The Bradby. "Choir test" was the brief explanation.

I entered this room to find Bill Snowden seated at the piano.

"Sing this note"... I hit it perfectly.

He played a higher note... which I hit again.

I saw his eyes light up.

"Can you get any higher?"

“Yes, Sir.”

He played a note well within my normal range... but nerves took over and my voice cracked.

I’m sure he did not slam the piano lid down, but it felt as if he did. “NEXT!”

To this day I fail to understand why Haileybury inflicted such a test on nervous new boys who had only arrived a couple of hours earlier.

Who knows what talent might have been missed? I spent the next five years leading the rebellious congregation from the front!

A glider pilot?

Thanks to my immediate senior NCO winning a flying scholarship I found myself as Cadet Flight Sergeant of the RAF Section, then under the never-to-be-forgotten Mike Taylor.

One bonus was a few days stay at Martlesham Heath for a concentrated Gliding Course during the Summer holiday.

I have often observed that "things" – usually amusing – seem to happen to me, whereas others just stroll through life with few distractions.

For instance, the others on the course went through all their flights without incident and obtained their first gliding licence.

Nothing so simple for me!

I do not remember how many actual flights I had, but I can clearly remember four.

We had been warned that USAF aircraft had a nasty habit of ignoring this gliding area and occasionally flying far too close. At this point I should mention that my Instructor was a somewhat chunky and very lively Flight Lieutenant.

On my very first flight – a winch take-off – which gives a very rapid ascent (the like of which I only experienced later on Concorde!), I was just getting used to the quite amazing experience of flying in a silence complete apart from the sound of the wind, when we seemed grabbed by an invisible hand and thrown violently to our right. "...American pilots" crackled through my earphones!

On my second flight I was beginning to get the hang of things and had taken control.

"Do a 180 degree turn".

I was never that good at maths and completed a perfect 360 degree turn and carried on away from the airfield.

Moments later "What the... do you think you are doing?"

I have no idea what gibberish I uttered but was immediately ordered to let him take over. He had left it to the last possible moment, and we just got back, skimming the bushes before a very abrupt landing.

The third flight I remember was the best. After take-off and a few minutes’ flight we caught a wonderful thermal and began to gain height.

"May I take over?” he said.

"Of course"

Now he was a very experienced Glider Pilot and with him circling within the thermal we climbed and climbed far higher than anything else achieved that week.

Eventually... “Do you mind if we loop the loop?”

I had experienced this in powered aircraft, but had no idea that
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Gigers were capable of aerobatics.

“Please do,” I think I said!

To do this in a glider it is necessary to go in to a steep dive to gain maximum speed and then pull the stick back using that speed to carry you up and over. She hung there, upside down, for long enough for me to be grateful I was firmly strapped in, before descending again.

“Ok?”... “Fine!”

“May I do that again?”... “Sure.”

And so we did... again... and again... and

I cannot remember how many loops we actually did. I always thought it was about a dozen, but having drawn that on a piece of paper, it cannot have been, but it was enough for those on the ground to wonder if we were somehow out of control!

He pulled us out of the final loop perilously close to the ground and as we slithered to a halt he leapt from the aircraft, and disappeared behind a bush, leaving me strapped in and grinning like a Cheshire cat!

I was the last in our group to be allowed to fly solo. I just did not seem to be quite as capable as the others. Eventually, however, it happened, and as the cable fell away after take-off, I realised what the problem had been.

My instructor must have been about 16 stone and I was already pushing 14 stone. Thirty stone is a lot of weight for a small two-seat glider, and, once I was alone, I experienced the true joy of flying solo in the silent sky. I did a perfect circuit followed by a perfect landing in the silent sky. I did a perfect circuit followed by a perfect landing.

Cricket lovely cricket

“My friend, I don’t know why your parents put you down for Colvin; it is a good House but shows no real interest in cricket”.

Those were the parting words of Monty Churchill-Dawes joint Headmaster of Gadebridge Park Preparatory School.

He knew my love of cricket, although I was never that good, having scraped into the First XI for one match before chicken pox closed the school for such events for the rest of term. I think I scored a duck and did not bowl. My Father had done much better in the Father’s match the summer before!

He was right – no real cricket interest that I can remember and certainly I had no coaching beyond the age of 13.

So every summer term I would try to organise or take part in any match possible be it in House or between friends. Failing that I would take any chance to practice in or out of the nets.

Haileybury, quite correctly, never recognised me as a cricketer. I had developed into a solid but slow scoring batsman and also was a quite useful off-spin bowler BUT my fielding was and has always remained very ordinary; I was not good at catching and could never throw with distance or speed. I would stop almost anything travelling along the ground by placing my ample body in its way!

So I never represented the School, but in my penultimate year did make the House side, and either in that year or my final year made a maiden 50. Persistence is rewarded.

In the summer of 1962 Colvin somehow managed to get to the Cock House Final. We were a team in every sense of the word but lacking in individual talent with I think only one player making the Third XI.

Our opponents – Allenby – were absolutely first class with the entire First XI opening attack, the Captain of Cricket and effectively eleven fine cricketers.

On paper we had no chance. This was to be my only match on Pavilion and, as far as I can remember, my only two-innings match. I had finished my A Levels (for better or worse – turned out better!) and all that then seemed to matter was the Cock House Cricket Final.

Surely my memory must be faulty but it seemed to me that my team mates had more important things to do than help me practice.

So I spent some time “hiding” by the sight screen on Pavilion, studying the College bowling attack and noted in particular that the best opening bowler bowled a vicious in-swinger but as far as I could see nothing went the other way.

I also spent hours – mainly, but not always, in the all-weather nets which then were behind the Science Lab cracking balls into the netting or aiming my off spin to pitch on a handkerchief which I had placed on what I thought was a good length – I didn’t hit it very often particularly as the wind kept moving it!

And so the day dawned. Allenby won the toss and elected to bat. They lost only four wickets before declaring at 242. I took one of them (a full toss holed out to extra cover) but I will always remember the very next ball. In had come skipper Ian Loncaster, a very powerful left hand bat.

My very first ball pitched on a perfect length about middle and off. He lunged forward with a defensive stroke, the ball turned, he hit it very often particularly as the wind kept moving it!

And so our turn to bat. I’m afraid our first three wickets fell very quickly and cheaply; I came in at number five with their opening attack still operating.

In those days there was no restriction on the number of fielders you could have on the leg side behind square leg, and I was dealing with a leg trap of at least three plus a widish fine leg.

All my preparation worked. I easily resisted their fast bowlers whilst managing to glide several balls safely through the leg trap. This was not a time for stroke play (had I been capable of it) but I held them...
up for getting on for an hour before falling LBW after scoring only 15. As the report in “The Haileyburian” stated:

“Durham was the only batsman to look confident and had toiled bravely but in vain to save the Colvin innings.”

We “followed on” and the second innings did go a little better. I again entered the fray and must admit to some distraction from lightning behind the Bradby and the bowler’s arm. LBW again but not before I had achieved my final ambition of seeing a crisply struck cover drive travel up the grass slope to the spectator benches.

The lightning did however signal the end of the match; the heavens opened and we ended with a dishonourable draw for which I always took a little credit.

There was however to be a final postscript.

Some 53 years later at the Senior Members Lunch at the RAF Club in Piccadilly I met Ian Loncaster. I was anxious to ask if he possibly recalled his very first ball from me, but before I could open my mouth…

“Durham, you… you single-handedly, robbed us, robbed us of the Cock House Trophy. I will never forgive you!”

Not his exact words but that was the gist and of course in good humour.

Ian, I can never thank you enough in that such a good player as you still remembered possibly my finest moment on the cricket field. You made my day, my year, my everything!

(After leaving Haileybury, Brian joined Wormley Cricket Club and after some years The Knebworth Blues Cricket Club where he is currently President, having progressed from player, successful skipper and briefly Chairman)

Edmonstone Reunion

31 August 2017 served as an excuse for 15 Old Edmonstonians to meet up to celebrate the 50th anniversary (actually 16 September 1967) when six of the attendees started as New Gov’s in the house. They hold regular dinners, usually twice a year in London, and extend invitations to all OHs of their era.

In my time at Haileybury in Edmonstone, two of my friends in the house Nigel Mason (E 66) and Martin Sunley (E 67) did regular Simon and Garfunkel performances.

Nigel’s father was famous for being probably one of the best trumpet players in the world, being number one for the RPO at the time and played trumpet on ‘Penny Lane’ and ‘All You Need Is Love.’ They both went into the Music business. For the 50th Anniversary they did a cover of a Beatles track which you can see on the following youtube link: www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZWtsBr-iCg8

Richard Osborne (E 67, Honorary Secretary) welcomes new recruits richardosb@gmail.com.

OH Business Networking event 1st November 2017

Just as we hit the publishing date for this magazine we held a further networking event at The Old Tea Warehouse in Aldgate for a group of interested (and very interesting) OHs.

We hope to do more of these events on a regular basis in future both in and outside London, to include different areas of expertise and professions. If you would be interested please contact Lawrence Baker, Alumni Co-Ordinator – thehaileybursociety@gmail.com
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**Who was the first boy at Haileybury in 1862?**
by Richard Carlyon (B 59)

My female readers will forgive me for the male-oriented question as Haileybury was then, in those darker ages, a boringly male institute. And by Haileybury I mean Haileybury College not the East India Company’s College at Haileybury, with whose history I am sure you are all familiar.

To be accurate I should say the English East India Company, for there were others. The French one failed six times ...

Having recently acquired the two volume copy of the last edition of the Haileybury Register (warm thanks to Jane Everard) I opened the first volume, turned to page 1, foolishly having skipped pages i-xxx. The first name which appears, term of 1862.3, is ‘BAILEY, Edward Alfred.’ He was the first boy listed in the first term, but only first in print because the Register is in alphabetical order. Hmmm ...

I then read each subsequent entry for the first term, with frequent reference to the list of abbreviations – which I warn you is incomplete.

At the top of page 2 I found: ‘FIRTH, Revd Walter Alfred’ and later in his entry, ‘First boy in the school on first day.’

Question answered? But not clearly. I had a mixed reaction, could it really be that Firth was first? Does the hand of Fate deal out such awful puns? Is the Muse of Name-Concurrence so witty? I wrinkled my nose and my brow. Surely not?

Why, I asked myself, is the word ‘first’ used twice? Repetition has a reason, mostly detailed emphasis.

FIRTH was first? Although unlikely I had come across accidental name-play by Fate before this, some personal. Once in hospital because of a smashed tibia plateau sustained in an anti-road demo (the Siege of Claremont Road, ’94) I occupied the central bed of three. On my left side was a man named Harry and on the other side a man named Tom. Fate had placed us in order.

The perfect ordinary trio, a cliche. I told my wonderful Irish nurse of this, she hesitated, checked our three names, she hooted with joy. And rushed out to bring in some of her colleagues. I then pointed out to her that she was Maureen, and that the other two nurses were Noreen and Doreen. More Celtic hilarity ensued.

So I was prepared, unwillingly, to accept that FIRTH was first. But I read on. I then came to MICHELL, Capt Charles and his entry has this sentence, ‘The first boy who came, as he arrived a day too soon.’ As some may say ‘Bingo!’

Capt Charles MICHELL had jumped the gun, and suitably went on to join the 60th Rifles, and to serve in the Zulu and Boer wars. I trust he
got there on time. ‘Those mad English have only sent one man for tomorrow’s battle!’

I have a ready reserve of cynicism, as all historians ought to have. And I am ever ready to question and challenge, especially as I had read the previous entry: MICHELL, Archibald Robert.

Both MICHELLs had the same father and address, Darlington. Charles was born in 1849, Archibald in 1850. Both entered and left school at the same time, Tr 62.3-67.2. They were brothers.

It so happens that for part of my time at school I travelled by train from Richmond, Yorkshire, changing to the main line at Darlington. So I know the most likely route taken by the Michell brothers.

At one point I had even duplicated part of their mistake. I travelled from a CCF camp in Scotland to Beckenham, Kent in the belief that my parents had moved there from Yorkshire. I was too early. A whole week.

Let me move on hastily from my incompetence, you will have noted that the brothers MICHELL both entered school at the same time. In this first term there were no less than eight pairs of brothers, starting together. Of the brothers MICHELL only Charles is given credit, if that is the right word, for arriving ‘a day too soon’ and thus being first.

So how, in 1862, did they arrive from Darlington? Imagine the scene. They were together, undoubtedly. And so which of the two arrived ‘first’. Has Archibald been deprived of his just fame? Could it have been he who first placed a foot in, or on, Haileybury?

Of course I asked myself the question you are thinking: Does it matter? As a Celt I was brought up with the tradition of ‘first footing’. It was a tradition I kept up till recently. Who was first was obviously a matter of concern to the status-conscious Victorians. Seniority, precedence, social rank, title were their household gods. These are potent demons even today.

The writers among you will be able to construct a number of possible scenarios, a fraternal argument, sibling rivalry, maybe even a short play, on this scant material. I certainly did. But I was, and am, unsatisfied.

Unsatisfied because I had noted that one of the pupils in that opening Haileybury term was the son of the Treasurer. Did the Treasurer live on the premises? I have no data to hand but will explore. If so then it is CHESSEHYRE, John who was ‘first’ boy, if he was already in situ.

Possession is nine points of the law.

I now leave you with the question: ‘Who was the first girl at Haileybury?’

Richard Carlyon (B 59)

Glossary and notes

Shake, formality towards one’s paternal parent lasted down until my day. At least in army families. I never kissed my Dad, I shook his hand, and I called him ‘Sir’.

Town, the usual Victorian word for London.

HODDESDON, the town of Hod or Hodd. The -es termination is the Anglo-Saxon genitive or possessive, later shortened to’s.

BRADSHAW, a massive Victorian volume containing ALL train times.

Porter, a man at most railway stations who carried bags for travelers. They wore a special badge on their left arm and constantly attempted to overcharge.

Growler, Victorian term for a cab. Possibly onomatopoeic.

Gamp, an umbrella.

AMWELL, when at school I searched in vain for a picture postcard of Amwell as I intended to send it to my parents with the message ‘!’. I mourn the passing of our duodecimal system.

ColI: I recall that one boy received a letter addressed to Haileybury Cottage.

new Guv, is this expression still used for new boys?

Thimper, Yes, I am being grossly unfair to the Rev.Walter Alfred FIRTH, I have used the word Simper sympathetically.
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**West Country Lunch 2017**
On 4 May, a sunny Devon day a group of OHs who live and work in the South West, together with spouses/partners, met for lunch at the Woodbury Park Golf Club in Exeter. This event was wonderfully well-organised and warmly hosted by Roger Bass (Staff, former HM of Hailey, Second Master [76-99]) and former Society Treasurer. The Society owes a great debt of thanks to Roger and Maryanne for their continued involvement and support.

Despite the fact we ranged in age from 37 to 91 and were from a wide variety of different Haileybury Houses, conversation flowed and many Haileybury memories and stories were shared across the table throughout a lovely meal. After lunch the President, Roland Gillott (A 61) spoke by way of an update on Haileybury today using material provided by the Master, Joe Davies during his speech at the recent Seniors Lunch in London; Roland gave guests a flavour of the Society’s work such as our sports clubs, forthcoming events for OHs and how we support the College with grants and bursaries. He also spoke about areas in which we might consider developing our commitment and support to our members at a local level, such as by introducing mentoring in preparation for retirement years, or to support those affected by dementia.

It was an absolute delight for me to be reunited with my “old” West Country Haileybury friends who have supported this event for many years, and to meet new ones – thank you all – Doug and I look forward to the next one!

Jane Everard (L 76 & Alb)

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Stefan Watts (LS & L 91) and Roger Bass (Staff 76-99)

Attendees: Roger Bass (Staff 76-99), Maryanne Bass, Bruce de Sarem (C 79) Doug Everard (BF 73), Jane Everard (L 76 & Alb), David Flook (BF 61), Roland Gillott (A 61), Peter Govier (Tr 47), John Key (M 46), Rob Misselbrook (Tr 81), Charles Scott (Tr 57), Linda Mitchell, Chris Shudham-Shaw (B 47), Ursula Shaw, Derek Shaw (BF 40), Charles Sweet (M 65), Jane Sweet, Stefan Watts (LS & L 91), Mike Weathrall-King (K 54), Gerald Wilson (M 62), Fiona Wilson, Mike Zeidler (C 79)

Regular regional events like this, together with other examples such as the Kent dinner hosted by Colin Barber (K 61) and South Midlands organised by Jeremy Lenox (H4 49), are only made possible by having a OH in the area who will support the Society by co-ordinating arrangements locally. The Society office will provide all administrative support such as sending out invitations, co-ordinating payments and producing badges for the guest list.

If you would like to help the Society in this way do please contact Lawrence Baker (C 83), Alumni Co-Ordinator – thehaileyburysociety@gmail.com

**Transition from Haileybury to university**
As I set off for university eighteen months ago it really was for futures new. Having grown up at Haileybury (my father, Ian Sanders, has worked at Haileybury since 1998 and was Housemaster of Thomason between 1999 and 2009) and then having seven happy years at school here in Lower School and Hailey, all my memories are in this one special place. It was hard to imagine life outside the Quad, let alone Hertfordshire!

Nevertheless, I was excited for the chapter which lay before me as I travelled (a long way) north to St Andrews, a beautiful town with quaint winding streets perched on the cliffs above the North Sea, to study Art History and History. Much like Haileybury, St Andrews is steeped in tradition and history and that is perhaps why I fell in love with it at first in my UVI when I was submitting my UCAS form. Whilst at Haileybury you cannot walk on the grass in the Quad as pupils, students in St Andrews cannot walk on the ‘PH’ stones in the pavement outside St Salvator’s Quad because it is believed that your exams will be cursed by Patrick Hamilton who was martyred on that exact spot. There is also lexis to rival that at Haileybury – freshers are known as ‘bejants’, all streets south of the historic centre known as the ‘badlands’, a steep hill is known as the ‘travellator, and the semesters known as ‘Martinmas’ and ‘Candlemas’. The tradition of academic families is perhaps the most fun – a whole weekend of games and mayhem is organised by your parents, culminating in a fancy dress shaving foam fight in the main quad in which the freshers carry objects with a Latin inscription given to them by their fathers!

My first year was spent in St Regulus Hall, a beautiful old gentleman’s club in the heart of St Andrews with turrets, fireplaces, and a gong in the dining room. It really was like an overgrown boarding house with just 170 students and the resident Warden who lived there with her family, much like a Haileybury HM. Strangely enough, my roommate’s father ended up being an OH himself who had been in Bartle Frere in the 1980s! Another similarity between St Andrews and Haileybury is the strong sense of community, which I love. It is difficult to walk anywhere around St Andrews without bumping into someone you know, and almost impossible to buy a pint of milk in Tesco and leave within twenty minutes.

I have loved my first three semesters in St Andrews – it is a beautiful place, I have made some wonderful friends and I have really enjoyed my course. I know that when the time comes for me to leave I will miss it dearly, but really Haileybury will always be my home.

Sophie Sanders (LS & H 08)

**Society visit to RAF Wyton Heritage Centre**
On Thursday 21st September fifteen members, friends and spouses visited the Heritage Centre near Huntingdon. This was originally inspired by Patrick (C 54) and Merle St Leger (Merle’s father was killed in action whilst serving in the legendary RAF Pathfinder Force).

We gathered at 11.30 and after full security checks were convoyed...
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The Centre is run by a small group of enthusiastic and very knowledgeable volunteers.

We were first shown the ever growing exhibition marking the history of RAF Wyton which was one of the earliest Air Force Stations in the Country opening in 1912 (before the founding of the RAF in 1918). Great effort and imagination had been used to demonstrate how everything has developed and changed over 105 years.

After a superb buffet provided by the Station Caterers we were taken to the Pathfinder Collection.

In the early years of World War 2 bombing was a haphazard operation with much of many raids being seriously off target. The Pathfinders were formed to fly in waves ahead of and then in amongst the Bomber Squadrons to identify and mark the targets with flares etc. This was highly dangerous but very effective and we were all struck by the bravery of the aircrews many of whom never returned home.

Finally we were guided through the Imagery Intelligence Collection.

In times of conflict it is vital to know as much as possible about your target and the bulk of this comes from aerial reconnaissance. Long gone are the times (although faithfully recorded here) where this would be achieved by someone hanging perilously from an aircraft with a camera to the modern high level imagery which – then and now – has to be pieced together to form the complete picture.

It is impossible in these few words to do justice to these Collections which are being lovingly and carefully developed by the volunteers. We were however unanimous that this was a truly fantastic and worthwhile visit made totally by the volunteers who took care of us.

Brian Durham (C 57)

Future Events

**OH Seniors London Lunch 19th April 2018**

In the Haileybury Society’s Diamond Jubilee year, the President of the Haileybury Society invites you to the annual Senior Members’ luncheon at the RAF Club, Piccadilly.

This event is for members over 55 years of age and their partners or guests. It is a chance to meet up with old OH friends and meet some new ones. Tables of ten are available to be booked as a group if required.

Ticket price includes a three course lunch with a pre-lunch drink, wine and coffee.

Invitations will be sent my email in early January or please visit the link at www.hailsoc.net for further details and to sign up early for this very popular event!

We very much look forward to seeing you there!

**OH WW1 Commemoration Service**

On Wednesday 26th September 2018 there will be a Service of Commemoration at 2pm at All Hallow’s by the Tower in Tower Hamlets to which all Society members are warmly welcomed. This is to honour the 800 OH and OISC members who lost their lives during the Great War.

The Reverend Philip Thomas Byard (Tubby) Clayton was Vicar of All Hallows by the Tower, London from 1922-1962. In 1915, together with Neville Talbot (Th 1883) he established Talbot House at Poperinge, Belgium in memory of Neville’s younger brother and his great friend Gilbert Talbot, who was killed at Hooge in July 1915.

Toc H is an international Christian movement. The name is an abbreviation for Talbot House, ‘Toc’ signifying the letter T in the signals spelling alphabet used by the British Army in World War I. Talbot House was styled as an “Every Man’s Club”, where all soldiers were welcome, regardless of rank for rest and recreation.

Further information and invitations will be sent with the Society’s Easter newsletter.

**Other Society events include pub nights, networking events and regional lunches. Information on future events will be confirmed in due course on our website www.hailsoc.net**
Those remembered

We list below all deaths reported to us or which have come to our notice over the past year. They are grouped by year of leaving with each individual’s year of arrival at Haileybury or the Imperial Service College in brackets after his or her House(s). A selection of obituary notices follows.


1936 Dingley, Warwick Malcolm (L 36) on 11 June 2017, aged 98.

1938 Smith, Arthur Reginald de Chastelai (Le B 34) on 7 October 2017, aged 97.

1940 Braimbridge, Mark Viney (C 38) on 31 October 2016, aged 92.

1942 Pallis, Stephen (B 41) on 1 March 2016, aged 92.

1943 Coldwells, Clement Arthur (ISC[D], [E] & K 40) on 26 June 2017, aged 91.

1944 Currie, Donald Alan Pilkington (Ha 40) on 2 February 2016, aged 88.

1945 Berry, Paul Haycraft (E 41) on 7 December 2016, aged 88.

1946 Davies, Colin Newell (K 43) on 21 November 2016, aged 87.


1948 Monteath, Stephen Stuart McLaurin (A 43) on 26 June 2017, aged 87.

1951 Holt, Michael Clement Alwin (BF 49) on 9 April 2017, aged 82.

1952 Bacon, John Francis (Tr 48) on 14 January 2017, aged 82.

1953 Godfrey, Michael Vaughan (L 48) on 3 March 2017, aged 81.

1954 Davies, Anthony Warren (L 50) on 15 June 2017, aged 80.

1955 Scarratt, William Lawrence Herbert (Th 50) on 11 May 2017, aged 80.

1957 Rauch, Joseph Peter (E 54) on 22 September 2017, aged 77.

1959 Kennedy Scott, John Peter (A 54) on 1 December 2016, aged 75.

1960 Hadley, Peter Bretherton (L 56) in April 2016, aged 74.

1962 Kein, Ian Mackay (M 60) on 12 February 2017, aged 70.

1966 Everton, Simon David Moore (C 65) on 12 November 2016, aged 64.

1972 Blyth, Seymour Patrick Mowbray (E 67) on 12 November 2017, aged 63.

1974 Turner, Jenison Evelyn (L 70) on 7 August 2017, aged 61.

1982 Hoskyns-Abrahall, Charles Chandos (Ha 78) on 31 August 2017, aged 52.

2014 Yaroslav Sevryukov (B 09) in 2017, aged 21.

STAFF

Blakeway Smith, David Gordon (Staff 70-93, HM Colvin) on 23 December 2016.

Chick, John Michael (Staff 60-96) on 14 June 2017.

Cheyne, Malcolm Fulton (Staff 86-00) on 10 February 2017.

Morgan, Rev. Philip Richard Llewelyn (Staff 58-73) on 12 January 2017.

Richards, David Michael (Staff 57-68, HM Edmonstone 62-68) on 6 January 2017.


NON-MEMBERS

Earle, Dr John (guardian New Zealand Nomad Scholars) on 23 December 2016.

Frame, Tom (Staff 74-85) on 5 March 2017.

Preston, Eric (Common Room Steward) on 9 January 2017.

Mooney, Anthony Albert James (Staff 73.1-73.2) on 29 September 2017.
Those remembered

OBITUARIES

Denis Mack Smith CBE FBA FRSL (Ha 35)

Denis Mack Smith, eminent author and historian of modern Italy, died on 11 July 2017. He was Head of School before he went up to Peterhouse, Cambridge as an organ and major history scholar. He then worked in Cabinet Offices in London for three years. Following the Second World War he became a Fellow of Peterhouse in 1947, a post which he held until 1962 when he was elected a Senior Research Fellow at All Souls College, Oxford. The final year of his academic career in 1987 was spent as a Fellow at Wolfson College, Oxford. Mack Smith overturned the traditional interpretation of the Italian unification as a great collaboration by great men, instead contending that it had been riven by conflict and contradictions over strategy. He published several books on the topic including Cavour and Garibaldi 1860: A Study in Political Conflict (1954) and Mussolini’s Roman Empire (1976), for which he was awarded the Duff Cooper Prize. He was also awarded the Wolfson Literary Award in 1978. Further to this, he was made a Commendatore of the Italian Order of Merit to honour his contribution to the study of Italian history and was also awarded a CBE in 1990. He is survived by his wife Catherine along with his daughters, Sophie and Jacinta, and his grandchildren, Stephanie, Tosca, Jonah and Theo.

Sophie Sanders (LS & H 08)

Colonel Ian Mennell OBE, OStJ, (L 42)

Ian Mennell passed away in September 2017 aged 88. Whilst a pupil at Haileybury in Lawrence Ian was a scholar, a prefect and played for the XV. On leaving Haileybury he attended Sandhurst, and was then commissioned into the Welsh Regiment (41st Foot) in 1949.

Ian was badly wounded in action in 1952 during the Korean War – the forgotten war – and later received the C in C’s Award for Gallantry. His military service included two tours of duty in Northern Ireland, the first notably during the Bloody Sunday events of 30th January 1972. Ian was awarded the OBE – the Regimental Magazine was able to report “No man may leave a group of people, such as make up a battalion like this one, without leaving something of himself behind”. He was also awarded the Order of St John for his support for the Ordinaries, instituting regular first aid courses in the battalion.

He was then posted to Abu Dhabi as Chief of Staff of the Abu Dhabi Defence Force, and on later achieving the rank of full Colonel returned again to Northern Ireland with responsibility for South Armagh, well known as ‘bandit country’ with intense IRA activity and heavy military and civilian casualties.

After two further postings, to York and Rheindahlen, he retired to York after 42 years’ active service, with his wife Maureen whom he had married in 1953, continuing his interest in military affairs as Chairman of the Welsh Regiment’s St David Lunches, attending the Korean Veterans March on Remembrance Sunday in 2002, the Amalgamation Parade of the last two Welsh battalions in Cardiff in 2002 and the Service of Commemoration on the cessation of conflict in Northern Ireland in St Paul’s Cathedral, taking part in the March Past of the Prince of Wales.

As his colleague Brigadier Christopher Lee CBE in his eulogy at Ian’s funeral in York Crematorium said: ‘Ian’s greatest features were his warmth, gregariousness and very confident, almost brash exterior; always cheerful and direct, he enjoyed social life, he had a keen sense of humour, and the ability, in describing any humorous, or indeed cataclysmic situation, to bring it vividly to life.’ He could exhibit a theatrical demeanour, and perhaps could have been a successful actor. But when things were serious he was committed and concise in his views, and when outlining any course of action, no one was in any doubt as to what was required. This was his most notable gift as a leader.

‘Furthermore, his long regimental and operational experience in some of the main conflicts from the 1950s to the 1980s, and his deep understanding of training methods and scope for imaginative ideas, enabled him to be equal to all the challenges he faced during his service.’

Donations in memory of Ian may be given to ABF The Soldier’s Charity, North Yorkshire Branch.

The Society extends its deepest sympathy to Ian’s widow Maureen.

David Richards (Staff 57-68, HM Edmonstone 62-68)

David Richards passed away peacefully on Friday 6 January, aged 85 years.

David was born in Bath and was educated as a Bishop’s chorister at Salisbury Cathedral and at Cheltenham College where he was a music exhibitor. He was also an outstanding sportsman, who played for three first teams and captained the Cricket 1st XI in 1950. After National Service with the Royal Artillery, he took his place to read English and Theology at Magdalene College, Cambridge in 1954.

David came to Haileybury in 1957 to teach both these subjects, becoming a highly-regarded and much respected Housemaster of Edmonstone in 1962 while he was also greatly involved with the school’s music and cricket, being master-in-charge of the latter for 10 years. In the time-honoured tradition of many Haileybury bishops he met Margaret Coldham, a nurse in the Sanatorium, and they were married in 1966. The eldest of three children, Jim, was born shortly before they left Haileybury in 1968 for David to take up the role of Headmaster at Hereford Cathedral School.

From Hereford David moved to become Headmaster of Portsmouth Grammar School in 1973, where he was also a local JP and a lay canon of Portsmouth Cathedral. In 1983 he became Principal of Brathay Hall Trust in the Lake District.

Sadly, Margaret died in March 2006.

David was an individual of many talents with a lifelong love of art, music and sport. He enjoyed a long and happy retirement, particularly involved with his musical interests, singing in a sweet baritone voice into his eighties. He also enjoyed attending Lord’s Test matches and in earlier years he had played 34 Minor County matches for Wiltshire between 1949 and 1965, and also played two Gillette Cup matches for Wiltshire in 1964 and 1965. David played golf as well and had a very respectable handicap of six.

He continued to be busy in the world of education, helping to raise a substantial amount for a Technology centre at Hereford Cathedral School, as a consultant to Henry’s School, Evesham, and proof-reading for organisations such as SPCK, the Tate and Pearson Education.

The Society extends its sincere condolences to David’s partner Laura, his three children, Jim, Matthew and Lucy, and his seven grandchildren.
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David Blakeway Smith (Staff 70-93, HM Colvin 74-89)

David Blakeway Smith died suddenly on 23 December 2016. He was buried in the churchyard of his beloved Pensax (Worcestershire) on the morning of 1 February 2017, and a memorial service, attended by several OHS, including many from Colvin, was held the same afternoon in Worcester Cathedral.

During his 23 years at Haileybury – which he described as ‘totally absorbing, full of interest and enjoyment … happy times’ – he was not only a much loved and respected Housemaster of Colvin and teacher of Maths (‘a brilliant teacher and a pillar of support’, ‘superb empathy, ‘a very kind, fair and thoroughly decent man’, ‘a wonderful Housemaster’, are among the tributes received from his former charges) but also ran the RAF Section of the CCF for many years, earning himself the nickname Biggles. He was the moving force behind the PHAB (physically handicapped/able-bodied) course in the 1970s, brought beehives to the Master’s garden and extracted honey in the kitchen of Clock House.

The two rocks on which David’s life and work were built were his family – his wife Sandy, who sadly died in May 2013, his son Jonathan (E 80) and his daughter Shireen – and his deep Christian faith: in the words of a great friend and Haileybury colleague Humphrey Nye (Staff 61-94), “David was a visionary of abundant faith and true charity and a properly unlimited source of true Christian hope.” He looked for what was good, what was best, in people, and sought to serve them and the community.

It was his faith and sense of mission and service which took him, after reading Maths and Social Anthropology at Cambridge and then Theology at Manchester, into the Methodist ministry and, as a teacher and missionary, to India and Burma (1961-64), into teaching in Britain (1965-93), and into mentoring in Worcestershire after retirement.

Cyprus, where he had served part of his National Service in the 1950s, became, after the division of the island in 1974, a focus of concern for David who, believing fervently in young people’s potential for reshaping the world, grasped the opportunity of a sabbatical from teaching and, with support from the United Nations and United World Colleges, set up in the 1990s and early 2000s a series of summer schools bringing together – across the Green Line – young Greek and Turkish Cypriot men and women, and other nationalities, to promote mutual understanding, show the futility of division and demonstrate the benefits of cooperation. For services to youth in Cyprus David was awarded the MBE in the New Year’s Honours 2002.

Outside the academic world David devoted much time and energy in retirement to the Worcester branch of Abbeyfield, a charity whose purpose is to provide sheltered accommodation for elderly people, and he was the driving force behind the belated (2014) erection of the ‘Stockton and Pensax War Memorial for Peace’, these two Worcestershire villages having been too poor after 1918 and 1945 to fund a commemoration of those who had fallen. In recognition of this and other services to his local community David was one of the 90 men and 90 women invited to Windsor Castle in 2016 to receive the Queen’s Maundy Money in her 90th year.

Most recently, in memory of his wife, David founded a charity – “Mandalay School for the Deaf” – to further the work of the school which Sandy had set up in 1962 and which, he discovered after her death, had survived their expulsion from Burma (Myanmar) in 1964 and was still functioning in 2013. Volunteer surgeons, audiologists and teachers from the UK have already been twice (2014 and 2016) to Myanmar, where the challenges in this field are enormous.

David was a very great friend during my time at Haileybury and right up to his death. His passing is mourned by all whose lives he touched, and most of all by his family, of whom he was inordinately proud. To Jonathan and Shireen and their families I and the Haileybury Society with me extend our deepest condolences.

John Parsons (Staff 73-79; Assistant Housemaster of Colvin 75-79)

Malcolm Cheyne (RMO 1986-2000)

I am deeply saddened to announce that Dr Malcolm Fulton Cheyne passed away suddenly on 10 February 2017. He is greatly missed by Anne, his beloved wife of 44 years, and their six children, Alasdair, Heidi, Beccy, Oliver, Tom and Hannah. He was a much loved husband, father, grandpa and brother. A true gentleman.

He commenced his career in the army as Regimental Medical Officer (RAMC) with the 1st BN Royal Welsh Fusiliers, before moving in to General Practice medicine. He joined Haileybury in 1986 and was the school doctor until 2000.

He enjoyed a varied and lengthy medical career until his retirement at the age of 67. Being a doctor was not just a job, it was an integral part of who he was. He worked harder than anyone I have ever met and gave his time generously to others.

He was highly regarded by those who knew him professionally and personally which is reflected in the way he has been described over the years and since he passed – he was kind, caring, attentive, calm and thoughtful. And he possessed a rare quality; he listened, truly listened to what you had to say.

He was fiercely proud of his family and we are so proud of him. How lucky we were to have him in our lives.

Beccy Hussain (nee Cheyne) (Alb & M 96)

Rev Philip Morgan (Staff 1958-1973)


Philip was born in 1927 in Derby, to a Welsh clergyman and his wife, the eldest of seven brothers and one sister. His childhood was spent first in Hyams Park in East London, then in Hockley, Essex, where his father was the vicar. He was home-schooled principally by his mother, starting Latin with his father, until he went to St. Edmund’s, Hindhead. His senior school was St John’s, Leatherhead, where he was a brilliant games player. He shone in most sports at St. John’s, playing full back in the 1st XV as well as being Captain of cricket. He also led the choir in his last year...
Philip gained his BA (History) in 1950, MA in 1952, then his Dip.Ed.

His first teaching job was at Bilton Grange, near Rugby, where he met Gillian who was also working there. He then trained for the priesthood at St. Stephen’s House in Oxford, going on to be curate in Warlingham, Surrey from 1955, after he and Gillian were married. Philip was ordained in 1956, and their first daughter Catharine was born in 1957.

He then went to Haileybury as Chaplain, where daughters Clare and Alice arrived at Highwood in 1959 and 1963, Philip engaged in many activities, not least sports, but his principal concern was for the community of staff and boys. He was as interested in the boys’ academic lessons, music and drama, as he was in their chapel attendance. He knew every boy in the school, and visited the sick or injured in the San each day.

He was tireless in creating structures centred on chapel such as the Erasmus Society, the School Chaplains Conference, the St Alban Chapel, a Sunday School for staff children, a BBC Songs of Praise. In the classroom Philip was a lively teacher of Latin, History and English, also taking in Head of Scripture. In sport he coached cricket and rugby teams, and ran the athletics for 12 very successful years. Unsurprisingly he could outrun any member of the cross country team. During the summer holidays he ran the AAA 5th Award Scheme for staff children, and at White House Philip had become a very keen gardener.

During Philip’s time as Headmaster of Haileybury Junior School, 80 scholarships to Public Schools were awarded and all sports teams were unbeaten at one time or another. Philip and Gillian introduced some civilising influences at the school such as curtains in the dormitories! While upgrading the aging buildings, Philip created the computer room, dark room and green room, thus expanding opportunities for boys to develop their own skills. Discovering the Convent next door had its own Chapel, Philip immediately arranged for HJS to use it for their Sunday service. He prepared boys for Confirmation and was heavily involved in the Independent Association of Prep Schools. Outside of school itself he was President of the Windsor Welsh Society and played for the Stage XI, as well as various clergy cricket teams.

Retiring at 60, Philip and Gillian moved back to parish life in Longbridge Deverill in Wiltshire, where Philip was Rector in charge of the three Deverill churches. From there they had fun organising several tours to the Holy Land for parishioners and friends. Philip thoroughly enjoyed parish life, encouraging reluctant farmers to attend Harvest Festival. He became a governor of several schools, both state and prep, and joined a Greek Study group.

Their home after a second retirement was in Headley, Hants., where Philip took church services all over Guildford and Winchester Dioceses. He headed the British Legion and organised Headley’s annual Fun Run.

At the funeral service in Winslow following a Eucharist of Thanksgiving for his life, letters of appreciation from former pupils who valued his support and pastoral care were quoted. It was said that “For Philip, sport was never a platform for self-aggrandisement; nothing ever was. He bore his success lightly and with humility”. Quoting further, “It was the ability to be so open-minded, humble and so humane that made the Rev. Philip Morgan not only the man he was, but the priest he was.”

When Gillian passed away in August 2015 after almost 60 years of marriage, Philip went to live with his youngest daughter Alice in Winslow. He leaves three daughters, six grandchildren and two
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great grandchildren. He is buried with his family in Wales, near Brecon.

Contributed by Kate and Alice Morgan and Clare Wharf (nee Morgan)

**Tom Frame 1933-2017 (CCF SSI 1974-1985)**

Tom was born in 1933 in Newcastle upon Tyne. After leaving school he worked at Vickers Armstrong engineering works in Newcastle. He joined the Army in 1951 where he remained for 22 years, leaving in 1973. He had married Shirley in 1954, in Germany, the daughter of a British soldier.

![Tom with cadets in the late 1970s](image)

On leaving the Army he began working at Haileybury in January 1974 as SSI of the Cadet Force and teaching metalwork. It turned out to be an ideal job for him. Tom thoroughly enjoyed his coaching role within the CCF, and especially relished the adventure training camps and Bisley shooting events. He made the most of the school’s beautiful grounds, and loved to go out shooting with his excited spaniels Lady and Donna. He was also a regular face at the Social Club where he enjoyed relaxing over “a few jars”.

He left in 1985 to pursue a new job in Hemel Hempstead and to support Shirley in her work at the TA Centre there. In 1994 they moved to North Yorkshire where Tom worked for a few years at a Prep School before he retired in 1998.

He always especially remembered his time spent at Haileybury; and that with the Gurkhas when in the Army, as particularly happy times in his life. More than £850 was raised for the Gurkha Welfare Trust in his memory.

Linda Doe (Tom’s daughter)

**John Chick (Staff 1935-2017)**

an outstanding scholar; a memorable teacher, and for many a life-long friend

John devoted nearly all his working life to Haileybury, where he managed so many different roles over a period of more than 35 years – teacher of Mathematics, Housemaster of Bartle Frere, Head of Mathematics, master in charge of chess and squash as well as President of the Common Room & compiler of the school timetable.

John’s parents had died by the time he was ten and his care thereafter fell largely to his aunt, with whom John lived for most of the time when at Kings Wimbledon. After the Senior School John served his National Service in the Gunners (having passed out first in his cohort and winning the Sword of Honour which enabled him to choose a posting to Singapore) and then he read mathematics at Pembroke College, Cambridge.

John was always serious about his mathematics. He had an outstanding mathematical brain and in addition to his teaching he found time to contribute several published papers and articles for the Mathematical Review – mostly on number theory. There will be many former students around the world today who have a better understanding about the importance of prime numbers thanks to John – and maybe even a handful who actually understand Mersenne and Carmichael numbers. One of his last written communications (just before his stroke early in 2017) was a proof about the test for whether a number did or did not divide by eleven.

John was not a man of the modern age; he never took a photograph and never owned a camera or a computer. He was quietly but fiercely competitive – especially in his beloved squash and of course all things began and ended with absolute commitment to Haileybury, and in particular to Bartle Frere.

John was a benefactor to, and had a life-long passion for Haileybury and he was a very active member of The Haileybury Society, attending many of our events and keeping up to date with news of his former pupils and colleagues. Both his funeral in the village church and his memorial service in Chapel were well-attended by former colleagues and OHs.

John had a strong Christian faith and in later years he became warden at his local church in Hertford Heath, where he was also their treasurer and liked showing how well the church accounts could be kept without using a computer. He was always good company, lively discussion was guaranteed but at the same time he could be kept without using a computer. He was always good company, lively discussion was guaranteed but at the same time he

John added so much to the lives of many pupils of Haileybury through his teaching. He had quite a reputation for discipline but was also an excellent and agreeable companion; somebody too who emanated a rare generosity of spirit combined with an equally fine intellect, and personal kindness.

The Society extends its deepest sympathy to John’s god-daughter Sarah Jane Payne and her family, and to Rosemary Steward.

Doug Everard (BF 73)

With thanks to Bob Alderman John’s lifelong friend from childhood, and Brian Durham (C 57)

**Kenneth Rimmer (Staff 58-92)**

Kenneth Rimmer’s death on July 24 brought to an end the life of one of Haileybury’s long serving teachers. He arrived to teach Modern Languages at Haileybury in September 1958 with a solid Northern background and from Trinity Hall, Cambridge.

Born in Liverpool in 1932, like many children of his generation he moved around during the Second World War, going to North Wales and then London. When he was 12, before the family moved back to the
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Wirral, Ken was sent to Birkenhead School, where he shone academically and on the sports field. He was in the first XV for four years and produced outstanding performances in the 440 yards and long jump. He became Head Boy.

After Cambridge, a year’s teaching in Alsace, and teacher training back at Trinity Hall (meeting his future wife in the first lecture), he came to Haileybury. In his first three years he lived in Clock House which housed four bachelors, including Donald Smith, who became a lifelong friend. Ken’s main brief was to teach French and German, but in his first year he was tasked with teaching English to Middle E.

Whether Middle E learned to share his horror of split infinitives, or the use of ‘like’ as opposed to ‘as’ as a conjunction, one cannot be sure – but they enjoyed ‘Lorna Doone’. His colleagues over the years took note of his strictures on grammar and spelling. One new Head of English in the 1970s maintains that on their introduction, he was almost pinned to the wall by Ken who demanded, ‘Are you Lang. or Lit.’? The response of ‘Both, I hope’, seemed to satisfy, and they became the best of friends.

Of his teaching of French and German, an OH has written ‘He conveyed a love of these two languages and their literature.’ He did so with determination that we should get our grammar right (and in English too!) and a redoubtable sense of humour.

We learnt reams of vocabulary, all to be meticulously recorded in our thick bound large notebook, which we also spent several lessons ruling up! We covered 5 books from Goethe to Kleist… testing our resourcefulness and combined imagination. I can remember the smell of the notorious purple perils, the sheets of vocabulary prepared for copying up.

He collaborated with his German Supervisor at university, Ron Gray, in trying out his suggestions for teaching Goethe’s poetry in a book he wrote. Outside the form room he cast off the straitjacket of school mastering to entertain the Haileybury community in many Pastimes. His love of theatre, accents and language were apparent in many productions where his sense of comic timing was outstanding.

Ken’s love of sport was inherited from his parents. His main sport was rugby. He was a centre and played for Bedford first team. In 1967 he coached the first XV with Mike Davis, who went on to coach England to the Grand Slam in 1980. Ken was always proud that two of the players in his teams – Peter Warfield (XV in 1967) and David Cooke (Colts in 1971) went on to play for England. He was also justifiably proud that he coached rugby at every level at Haileybury.

Asked after his first year to run the swimming (being heavy-boned it was the sport with which he had least affinity), he went on a course to learn an acceptable crawl, and ran this summer sport for 11 years energetically, organising the teams, matches, competitions and life-saving. For him swimming was a crucial life skill, and he would spend hours coaching those who struggled to master it.

He resigned from this responsibility a year into his house mastership of Hailey, which he did for 13 years. Ken was a strict House Master in the tradition of Douglas Cook, and treated all boys consistently, with discipline being applied without exceptions being made through whim or special pleading.

He believed in the formality of surnames ‘in order to be even-handed; he did not have favourites and everyone was addressed and approached in the same way. He didn’t like the ways that boys found to set up hierarchies and wanted every boy to be a House Prefect and a member of the House Society. His formality allowed him to be personal. He gave us space to work at life. He created an environment in which things happened that you might not expect. We had a House magazine which nurtured journalists and wordsmiths… as an OH said at Ken’s funeral.

The boys learnt to write their own House plays, in which everyone in the House had a role or function, culminating in the success of ‘Mockbeth’ in a full Big School in 1981. More than one has written ‘We were lucky to be in Hailey under Ken and we knew it.’

He would rejoice in any boy’s success and would be alert to helping boys who were struggling, but underneath it all was a down to earth approach to standards.

One morning before a school term started one of the Beetlestones came into Ken’s study, having dropped off his luggage. Beetlestone, with long hair, asked my father if he had a good holiday which was acknowledged. Before the errant boy left he was cut down to size as Ken said: “You must get a haircut, Beetlestone, before you come back this evening.”

Gardening was his relaxation. The garden in Hailey was a tribute to his devoted care. In the latter part of his Haileybury career he edited the Haileyburian with meticulous care and precision.

Active retirement in Hertford Heath followed 34 years of teaching at Haileybury.

His thirst for knowledge saw him follow courses in Geology and Old Testament Greek. He produced the Hertford Heath map as well as serving as a Governor of Hertford Heath JMI and writing its history. Ken was a staunch supporter of Holy Trinity in Hertford Heath and was a church warden and Lay Vice-Chairman of the PCC.

Sadly, ill health claimed his last years, and he passed away in a care home in Stevenage on July 24. Some 120 people attended his uplifting funeral in the Haileybury Chapel on August 30. Haileybury did him proud.

Ken is survived by his wife, Eleanor who was always interested and involved in his activities, four children and seven grand children. They will all remember his love, support and sense of fun, as well as his work ethic.

David Rimmer (Th 76)

Richard Rice (BF 37)

Richard Rice passed away on 21st October 2016, aged 92. On leaving Haileybury he went on to Ormond College, Melbourne. During his military career he served in India, Burma and Hong Kong and was mentioned in Dispatches. Richard was a long-standing benefactor to Haileybury, including a legacy of £20,000 for which the school is very grateful.

It is with great sadness to report that Lieutenant Colonel Seymour Blyth passed away on 12th November 2017, after facing Prostate Cancer with extraordinary courage and humour for the past nine years. He had a wonderful five years at Haileybury, followed by a full and varied career in the British Army.
Seymour was educated at Heath Mount Prep School, near Hertford, before squeezing through Common Entrance and moving to Haileybury in 1967. Here he was a College Prefect and Head of House for Edmonstone.

He participated and excelled in, a wide variety of sport. Pride of place was certainly being the full back in the XV for three years, including the superb 1971 team, which still remains the last unbeaten Haileybury XV to this day. He was also chosen to tour South Africa with Dan Hearn’s England Schools team. Seymour was in the Athletics team for many years whilst also representing Hertfordshire County, and was chosen to run the 100m Hurdles in the All England Championships at White City. He was a Hertfordshire County swimmer, and was in the 1st V Squash and 2nd VI Tennis teams. Having played Chess for the first team in his first term, and unceremoniously beating the school No 1, he decided to give this up for other commitments.

Seymour was the School Shooting Champion for three years at both Fullbore and Smallbore, and whilst chosen to shoot for the British Cadets Athlings Rifle team to tour Canada, was again committed elsewhere and did not shoot for his final two years. He was apparently the only Cadet to shoot for the 1st VIII in his first year, and be awarded his Colours since 1920. He was the CSM in the CCF and represented British Cadets, alongside the Canadian Cadets, for three weeks in Banff, Canada. He, and his long suffering Haileybury teachers, would be the first to admit that his academic results at school left much to be desired, but he did do just enough to be awarded an Army Scholarship to the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst for entrance in 1973, where he followed in his father’s footsteps, and was commissioned into the Royal Anglian Regiment.

His early career was spent at Regimental duty with the 3rd Battalion, the Pompadours, where he served in Germany, Cyprus, Colchester, Belize, and on operations in Londonderry, Northern Ireland. During this period he was also a training platoon commander at Depot the Queen’s Division, Bassingbourne, and Adjutant of 7 R ANGLIANS. He then completed an Intelligence Staff appointment in West Berlin where he specialized in intelligence gathering, alongside other British intelligence agencies, in East Berlin prior to unification. He returned to the 3 R ANGLIANS in Minden where he commanded a Mechanized Infantry Company, which included a tour in Belfast and training in BATUS, Canada. He was fortunate to also command a Mechanized Infantry Company with 2 QUEENS in Minden for an additional year.

Seymour was subsequently posted to the Joint Force Operations Staff where he was responsible for the planning and co-ordination of major Tri-Service exercises outside NATO. During the first Gulf War he was AMA to General Sir Peter de la Billiere in his outer office in Riyadh. He escorted the brand new Prime Minister John Major throughout the Gulf region for three days on his first visit to the military on succeeding Margaret Thatcher, which gave a fascinating insight into his evolving relationships with the three Services.

After a tour at senior Regimental duty he was seconded to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and became the UNPROFOR operational military advisor to the United Nations Secretariat in New York over a particularly complex period in the former Yugoslavia where he reported directly to Kofi Annan in the Department for Peace Keeping Operations. This was followed by two years as Chief of Staff of a major joint Army/RAF Headquarters in Rheindahlen, Germany.

From Germany he moved in 1997 to the Army Personnel Centre in Glasgow to work with the Military Secretary where he was responsible for the detailed career management of the Queen’s Division officers. After a lengthy selection process he became the Army nominee to be Equerry to HRH The Prince of Wales, although the job eventually went to the Royal Navy on that cycle. On promotion to Lt Col he became a student at the NATO Defence College in Rome, before heading north to Verona to be employed as the SOI J7 Exercises in JHQ South where he planned and conducted major NATO and Partnership for Peace exercises throughout Western and Eastern Europe.

In November 2003, and after four years in Italy, he was posted to HQ DETS(A) in Upavon, as the SO1 Personal Development Policy where he managed a team in the research and development of new learning policies in support of senior strategic Government initiatives. He moved to the Ministry of Defence in 2006 and ran five handpicked Combined Services and Civil Service Defence Presentation teams across the United Kingdom. For his last tour he remained in London and was the military lead for the Royal Navy, Army and Royal Air Force as the SO1 Internal Communications within the Directorate for Media and Communications in Whitehall.

Within the Army, Seymour remained a keen sportsman and was an Army athlete and had a full Army rugby trial. He enjoyed tennis, squash, golf, skiing, all aquatic activities, and parachuting in his early days. He was a member of the Royal Geographical Society and his last expedition was to Burma in 2006.

On retirement in 2009 he became a consultant both in England and at SHAPE, Belgium, where he was the International lead Project Manager for enhancing NATO’s security posture by introducing a secure, cost effective, single identity management system (ID Card) for all military, civilian staff and families throughout NATO. This required considerable diplomatic skill in order to include designing the Card in accordance with all NATO nations, plus their specific financial, procurement and production requirements.

His last job was as the Managing Consultant, and a member of the Management Team, with an international crisis management organization, where he ran the London office with consultancy geared towards Crisis Communications and Crisis Management.

Seymour was diagnosed with Prostate Cancer in 2008, which gradually curtailed his activities and he was unable to work full time from early 2014. He was however on the Committee of the Bob Champion Cancer Trust and helped to organize an annual tennis tournament in Battersea Park which has raised considerable sums towards Prostate Cancer research. He also briefly worked in sporting event management with Formula One, which included organizing charity cricket matches between the Lord’s Taverners against celebrity F1 teams, plus working in the Grand Prix Race Week, and attendance at the Monaco Grand Prix.

For the past ten years Seymour lived in Wiltshire with his wife Deborah and their two children, Kiki and Alexander.

Deborah Blyth (Seymour’s wife)

Sir John Manduell CBE (BF 42)

It is with great sadness that we report the death of OH Sir John Manduell, past President of the Society 1994/5, on Wednesday 25 October at the age of 89.

After Haileybury, Sir John studied at the University of Strasbourg, Jesus College, Cambridge and the Royal Academy of Music with
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Lennox Berkeley. He joined the BBC in 1956 as a producer, becoming Head of Music for the Midlands and East Anglia in 1961. During this period he became the BBC representative on the Cheltenham Festival Management Committee. In 1964 he returned to London to plan and implement the new BBC Music Programme leaving the company in 1968 to become the first Director of Music at Lancaster University. In 1967 he was approached to become Cheltenham Festival’s first Programme Director; a post which he held from 1969 to 1994. In 1973 Sir John became the first Principal of The Royal Northern College of Music in Manchester.

A prolific composer and educator, Sir John was involved in setting up El Sistema in Venezuela, and served on the Boards of the British Council, Arts Council, Association of European Conservatoires, European Music Year, Northern Ballet, European Opera Centre and Covent Garden. He received a CBE in 1982, a Knighthood in 1989 for European Music Year, northern Ballet, European Opera Centre and Council, Arts Council, Association of European Conservatoires, all of the UK’s Royal Schools of Music.

The Society extends its deepest sympathy to his widow Renna and the family.

Jane Everard (L 76 & Alb)

Simon Everton (C 65)

Simon arrived in Colvin in summer 1969. It was clear to his contemporaries that he was precociously bright with an impressively high level of intellect. That became even more obvious when he was almost immediately awarded a scholarship followed in due course by top A levels in Classics and then an exhibition to Brasenose in 1969.

But Simon was not the typical scholar. Conspicuous academic success was achieved on an enviably effortless basis thereby releasing time for the pursuit of more enjoyable activities such as sport, literature, music and friendships. Simon arrived at school as a tall and somewhat gangly boy who entertained the delusion that he was destined to become a talented fly half. Wise counsel soon prevailed and Simon was persuaded to take up his rightful place as an uncompromising second-row forward. At cricket, Simon played as a wicket keeper where he was fortunate to possess not only surprisingly high dexterity but also a very reliable pair of hands. He was also a hockey player and after leaving university he became a stalwart member of Slough Hockey Club where, as a goal keeper, he loudly commanded his area and put his body and sometimes his facial features on the line every weekend.

Simon’s parents were kind and generous and he inherited those familial qualities. But he was a single-minded individual; if something did not suit him no amount of persuasion would cause him to change his mind. At the age of 13 he decided that activities such as cross-country running and boxing were not for him and he used his formidable argumentative capability to secure exemptions denied to the rest of his peer group. But throughout life where he decided that something was worthy of his support, he was ferocious in its pursuit and contemptuous of feeble efforts to obstruct him.

Conversations with Simon required an appreciation that he was a master of understatement. So, he often used expressions that such as quite, somewhat or not much. For him to say that he was quite put out by the receipt of a parking ticket meant that he was seething with incandescent rage. When he was somewhat unimpressed with a referee’s decision, it meant that the blithering idiot should have been shot a long time ago. And to say that something was not much use meant that it was utterly, totally bereft of merit and worthy of no further discussion.

But Simon possessed a way with words that enabled him to communicate with precision. He could express himself in a way that meant that complex concepts were reduced to simple sentences. That capability arose from the fact that he was extraordinarily well read. Like his choices of music, Simon’s literary tastes were eclectic and he readily lapped up all manner of subjects and authors. Indeed, while only 16 he came across a newspaper article setting out a list of the top 50 books that everyone should read in life. The challenge was on and within only a year, every book had been read.

At Oxford, Simon read law and on leaving he decided to become a shipbroker. His intelligence, his professionalism and his wonderfully open and friendly nature made him someone to whom people warmed immediately and he became a well-known and highly respected broker on the Baltic Exchange. Simon worked for various companies and with his gregarious character, he made friends with many people from all around the world particularly in India, Canada and Denmark. He formed his own company Charmcourt Shipping where the annual Christmas lunches at the George and Vulture became legendary with Simon’s resonant gravelly voice presiding over raucous proceedings. And then about 15 years ago, Simon reinvented himself; he returned to the law and he started work as an expert witness and a shipping arbitrator. He had a sharp incisive mind that enabled him to get to the root of an issue with consummate ease. And he had a level of knowledge and experience that meant that he could look at any issue in its proper context. Those who worked with him are unstinting in their praise of his wisdom and calm reflective judgement.

But for those who knew Simon well, one would expect no less. He was a man blessed with formidable acuity coupled with a kindness and generosity of spirit that was reflected in his personal philosophy to life. While others began to acquire with age what Simon considered illiberal tendencies, he remained constant. He continued to maintain his belief in a better society unfettered by greed and was always motivated by the importance of helping those less fortunate than him. But that reflected an instinctively compassionate character who was always alert to the needs of others.

Coming from a close and happy family background himself, it was no surprise that Simon placed so much emphasis on the welfare of his own family. And indeed, the love and support provided to him by Susanna and Guy gave him the hugely solid foundation on which to build a life so rich in multi-faceted friendships. While he was a confirmed London resident, Simon was never happier than with Susanna and Guy in Norfolk relaxing away from the stress of work and enjoying the opportunity of a more peaceful and contemplative environment.

A love of rugby was a defining part of Simon’s character. He was a member and vice-president at Richmond for many years. He started there as a coach at mini rugby and was instrumental in the creation of the annual festival at Richmond that is widely regarded as probably the best of its type. Simon spent many happy hours at Richmond and Twickenham watching rugby and exuding affability. But once the final whistle had blown, Simon true to character always demonstrated the precious value of being humble in victory and gracious in defeat.

And it was the consistent display of all those lovely personal values that made him stand out as a wonderful husband, father, brother and friend. His steadfastness, his kind sympathetic ear, his ready
Those remembered

exuberance and his self-deprecating humour meant that he was someone special to all those who knew him.

Mike Wheeler (C 65)

**Lester Bradley Simms (ISC[F] 38)**

Lester was born in Barons Court, London in 1924. He had an unsettled childhood and was often re-located, never really finding a place to call ‘home’. However, his kind-hearted Aunt and Uncle took him under their wing and provided him with some years of education at Haileybury, Hertfordshire.

In 1944, at the age of 19, Lester joined the RAF and was posted as a trainee pilot to Metheringham airfield, Lincolnshire. He viewed the few months that he spent with the 106 squadron with “deep feelings of affection” and they gave him many both happy and sad times – losing some close friends along his journey. He was then temporarily posted to 1638 Halifax Conversion Unit at Selby, Yorks and then later to a Sunderland base near Elgin in Scotland where he volunteered as the crash crew driver. He then returned back to the aircrew holding centre at Heaton Park, Manchester and then onto a troopship and a “horrid” voyage in convoy to Cairo via Suez and then to Southern Rhodesia to begin flying training in Fairchild Cornells and then on to Airspeed Oxfords. Once completing the course, soon after V.E day and over 120 hours of training hours later, he was signed on to the RAF reserve. Back in England, Lester then joined the Motor Transport section and was sent to Waterbeach near Cambridge to join the 1629 Bomb Disposal Squad who covered East Anglia. He had many stories to tell about this time in his life – many will remember the story of the silk parachute, where his “speed of foot as an ex-rugby wing three-quarter” allowed him to finish his RAF years unscathed. He left the RAF in 1949.

Lester went on to working in the fruit market in Covent Garden before being a driver for Coca Cola. He then began selling car parts on the road becoming the sole UK distributor of NGK spark plugs where he worked closely with the Formula 1 team Lotus during their glory years, developing relationships with many motorsport legends including Gunnar Nilsson, Ronnie Peterson and Mario Andretti. He built a successful business and was proud to have driven the first Toyota saloon off the boat into England.

When his time with NGK was over, Lester turned a hobby into his business, opening an art gallery in newport, Essex – Gallery Appenzell. His passion for art and antiques continued and he enjoyed buying and selling a variety of pieces.

As if Lester’s life was not exciting enough, along the way he had four children – Cheryl, Judy, Chris and Holly. He also had 3 grandsons – Gary, Bradley and Arron and he recently became a great-grandfather to Barnaby. He was a proud resident of Cutlers Green, Thaxted and in his 20 years in the village he finally found somewhere to call “home”.

After suffering from chest infections for many years, in 2016 Lester was told that he had Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis – a rare disease which causes progressive scarring of the lungs. Little is known about the causes of this disease and there is no treatment to reverse the effects, so we would like to support the British Lung Foundation in the hope that one day it will help others with the condition. Showing his true strength and character, he was determined to remain independent and he managed to remain in his beloved home until February 2nd 2017, when he was taken into Broomfield Hospital. He passed away peacefully in the early hours of February 14th and will be dearly missed by many.

Holly Simms (Lester’s daughter)

**Anthony Davies (L 50)**

Anthony Warren Davies (80) passed away at Southampton Hospital on Thursday 15th June 2017, following long term cardiac issues. Born in Essex in 1936, Tony was a keen cricketer, playing for his county, having become passionate about the sport while at Haileybury, where he spent several very happy years. He was offered a place to study theology at Emmanuel College, Cambridge, however following his National Service experience he decided instead to dedicate himself to a career in accountancy, graduating first in his year nationally. After many happy years living in Cuckfield, on the other side of West Sussex, Tony and his wife Tina moved to Hesworth Common, Fittleworth in 1992 where he played cricket for the local Fittleworth cricket team, as well as the Mahon Cricket club in Menorca, where the family spent many happy summers.

Following a very successful career as an accountant and latterly as a ‘business angel’ supporting several diverse businesses across Sussex, he was particularly excited at the prospect of getting involved with the Fittleworth Community Shop. His enthusiasm for life, learning, his dogs and his sport was unparalleled and he is deeply missed by his wife Tina, daughter Tor, son Robert and his three dogs.

Robert Davies (Anthony’s son)

May the road rise up to meet you;
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face;
And the rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the hollow of His hand.

Taken from the Service Book of Haileybury College.
Charity

Old Haileyburian & ISC Masonic Lodge

An insight into Freemasonry; Haileybury Lodge news; Our newly established connection with Women’s Freemasonry; and our ongoing commitment to support Haileyburians from all walks of life.

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Freemasonry means different things to each of those who join. For some, it’s about making new friends and acquaintances. For others it’s about being able to help deserving causes – making a contribution to family and society. There is no doubt that charity is at its heart; the connection with Freemasonry; An insight into Haileybury Lodge news; Our newly established connection with Women’s Freemasonry; and our ongoing commitment to support Haileyburians from all walks of life.

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For us, a big focus is on Haileyburians and Old Haileyburians; our most recent initiative being sponsorship of Girls Lacrosse for a three year period and ideas include a potential partnership with the Haileybury Youth Trust in Uganda.

Having taken over my responsibility for the Lodge last March, my second meeting of the four formal meetings we hold each year was a double initiation (where we bring on board people who are new to Freemasonry all together). The pressure is always on the Master to lead the events. A warm welcome goes out to our newly made brothers. There was some fantastic work in the Lodge.

This included visitors from other Public School Lodges, big supporters of the Haileybury Lodge and even those who came from as far away as Greece and the United States just to see us. It’s great that so many visitors return time and again to our meetings at Freemasons’ Hall, near Covent Garden.

Haileybury Lodge meets at Freemasons’ Hall in London. This is the headquarters of the United Grand Lodge of England and the principal meeting place for Masonic Lodges in London. Grand Lodge has been in Great Queen Street since 1775, the present Hall being the third building on the site. In 1919, after the First World War, Grand Lodge decided to have a new headquarters as a memorial to the Freemasons who died in the First World War.

Haileybury Lodge are proud to have been one of the Lodges that contributed to this initiative and are holders of the Hallstone Jewel. Built between 1927 and 1932, it stands as one of the finest Art Deco buildings in England, and is now Grade II* listed.

Freemasons in the UK, led by UGLE, are encouraging openness as part of the tercentenary year; in fact the doors were opened to Sky for a six-part documentary “Inside The Freemasons” earlier this year. With this in mind I thought it only right to say a few things.

“So what happens in an initiation?” I hear you ask. Well, I won’t go into the finer details but essentially it outlines what becoming a Freemason is all about; to be there to support your brothers (female Freemasons also refer to themselves as brothers) in times of need. We try our best to keep an eye on all that’s going on with our members (from early 20s to well into their 70s and beyond), the College, Old Haileyburians, and offer assistance where we can, wherever they may be in the world.

Our ceremonies remind us of our values which are based on integrity, kindness, honesty and fairness.

So what have I got out of it so far? Well firstly I’ve met a huge number of welcoming, generous people. Yes, I probably do think about how to conduct myself more. There is a great deal of meaning in the words we recite and as you look through the passages new things jump out at you each time. Generally, I’m not someone who relishes public speaking but the more I have got involved with ceremonies the more it has helped me in this respect. We do try to learn and recite these by heart.

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Please do get in touch with us if you would like to find out more about Freemasonry.

Sursum Corda.

Andrew Duck (L 95)
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A decade on from the relaunch of Haileybury Youth Trust in Uganda, the last year has seen some of the most exciting developments in the history of the charity, culminating in the selection of HYT as an Ashden International Award winner. This prestigious award, which recognises global contributions to sustainability, was made at a ceremony at the Royal Geographical Society in June, where Al Gore, former US Vice President, gave a rousing keynote speech.

The wider Haileybury community continues to support the Trust in a number of ways. Charlie Tebbutt (K 08) succeeded Marcus Farnfield (K 04) as permanent manager in Uganda, with both OH's helping to lead the Trust in its growth and ever-greater outreach. Jerry Pearce (Tr 81) became Chairman of the Trustees, with Oliver Phillpott (K 05) also joining the board.

Charlie Tebbutt writes: I may be managing a training charity, but I’ve learned a fair few lessons myself in my first year working with the Trust. For example, sustainability doesn’t just mean saving trees. It means building structures that will stand for years to come, equipping youths with skills to last a lifetime and forging friendships that span the globe.

As HYT’s impact widens to include an agricultural campus, a 29 water tank project with Global Rotary, and 10 communities trained in our construction technology it is clear that, with the Haileybury community’s continued support, we are headed towards a sustainable future in East Africa.

HYT remains committed, as it has since the days of Attlee and the Stepney Club, to the development of young people. Working among some of the world’s poorest, HYT trains young Ugandans in sustainable construction, giving skills and opportunity to Ugandans, through the One Village at a Time programmes. 100 Ugandans have now successfully completed these training projects, with many continuing to work for HYT. 140 structures have been built, using HYT’s innovative but proven low cost, environmentally-friendly construction technology. Buildings have included water tanks, giving schools clean water for the first time and latrines, classrooms and dormitories.

HYT joined forces with international award-winning architects, FCB Studios, to design and build affordable staff housing, while the Trust also collaborates with a number of charities, helping with their building projects. This social enterprise activity not only gives HYT’s newly trained masons a chance to hone their skills and earn an income, it raises the profile of the charity, preserves the environment and generates an additional funding stream.

HYT in numbers

Since HYT started in Africa a decade ago, 40,000 Ugandans have benefited from our work

A 20,000 litre water tank can save 2,000 pupils a trip to the community borehole, which is up to 3 kilometres away.

At one site, HYT masons produce as many as 500 blocks a day, manufacturing a total of over 30,000 during the course of the project. The same amount of traditional bricks would require 42 tonnes of firewood in making these bricks, or more than ten large, mature trees!

By using ISSB rather than fired bricks, HYT saved enough energy in 2016 to power nearly 7,000 gas barbecues!

The amount of energy saved from HYT’s use of ISSB, rather than local fired bricks, could power 25 households for an entire year.

Young OH’s continue to volunteer for the Trust as part of a gap year: Harry Hughes (Th 11) and latterly Katie Brooking (C 11) and Coralie Spearman (C 11) all spent time in Uganda, working in HYT’s office and in the field. At the heart of HYT is the principle of young Haileyburians working shoulder to shoulder alongside young Ugandans.

It was the all-round contribution to sustainable development that impressed the Ashden Award judges, who, in their own words said: ‘The benefits of HYT’s scheme go way beyond the environmental impact – reducing deforestation and curbing CO2 emissions through a low carbon building technique – and encompass health, training and employment opportunities, even access to education. HYT’s model is a simple one but is scalable and robust.’

For HYT to be recognised as an international leader in sustainable development, reflects wonderfully on the commitment of the Haileybury community to support some of the world’s most vulnerable people and Haileybury’s determination to improve lives in a way that does not cost the earth.
Schools Veterans Meeting, Bisley 2017

This was yet another year when we have benefited from warm weather with no rain and light winds. Both our ‘A’ and ‘B’ teams did reasonably well with solid scores roughly in the middle of the pack but we were just one man short of making up a full ‘C’ team. Hopefully, we will be able to improve on this situation next year.

For the record, the final scores were:

‘A’ Team – 231.20, placed 31st out of 45 teams and ‘B’ Team – 201.6, placed 21st out of 28 teams

A full list of results is available at www.nra.org.uk

Our ‘Man-of-the-Match’ this year is Ned Newton (Ha 70) who, not having shot for many years, produced a magnificent 47.4. One of our highly coveted, finely engraved, ‘Man-of-the-Match’ medals is on its way to him with many congratulations; we look forward to another fine performance in 2018. (no pressure!).

Keith Trowbridge (E 64) on the left and me coaching Ned Newton (Ha 70) on the right

The post-shoot supper took place at The Nags Head in Brookwood which was much enjoyed by everybody and very kindly attended by Roland Gillott (A 61), Haileybury Society President, who also generously gave up a sunny afternoon to watch (with admirably restrained excitement) the shooting in progress.

No doubt all HVRC members will join me in thanking The Society for its continuing financial support and, this year, for an additional contribution which enabled us to buy two shooting mats. They replace the slightly musty ex WW1 groundsheets we have been using for so long!

Nick Courtney (M 60)

OH Golf Report 2016-2017

The OH Golf Society is a very active group who get together at various OH meetings, friendly inter-school matches as well as some more competitive scratch matches. This ensures that golfers of all ability, from scratch up to 28, can join in friendly rivalry and bon homie. To give a flavour of what we have been up to, here is a run through of our activities over the past 18 months or so.

The OHGS golfing year really kicks off at the Halford Hewitt in April, our 2016 team comprised: Rupert Kellock (B 74), Ed Songaila (LS & B 01), Sam Smale (BF 59), Sevi Rixson (L 94), Steve Thomas (A & Th 81), Rob Bonallack (C 80), Lawrence Baker (C 83), Graeme Skinner (C 90), John Morison (E 93) and Rob Ambrose (LS & L 04).

They beat Repton and Uppingham in the first two rounds, before succumbing to Epsom, who in turn lost to Tonbridge in the final.

Our 2017 team was, as above, with Stuart Havelock (LS & L 01) in for Sam Smale; Andrew Duck (L 95) in for Lawrence Baker and Will

Mark Courage (B 77), Lawrence Baker (C 83), Jeremy Cary (A 73), Simon Horwood (BF 79) at Littlestone.

Stanyard (BF 10) played in the second round onwards for Graeme Skinner. They beat Felsted, Liverpool and St Paul’s before losing a very close match against Merchiston where the deciding match went to the 19th where the Merchiston pair hit their second shot to a few inches, and Sevi Rixson had a 25 foot putt to take the game further, which lipped out.

In 2016, our Melin team of Jeremy Cary (A 73), Sam Smale, Jon Moore (L 67), Paul Marciani (BF 69), Graeme Titmas (Ha 65) and Derek Skinner (C 58) beat Mill Hill and Bradfield before losing a close match to Shrewsbury 2-1. In 2017, our team comprised Sam Smale, Jeremy Cary, Richard Richardson (Ha 60), Derek Skinner, Rupert Kellock, Jon Moore and Paul Marciani lost to the eventual overall winners Bradfield in the first round but went on to reach the final of the Plate competition before losing to Oundle. In the ‘Burles our team of Edmund Bain (M 61), Tony Harrison, Sandy Terris (A 57) and Graeme Titmas lost Saturday morning. In the plate, they won against Mill Hill and Felsted before losing in the final – again to Oundle. In the ‘Millard, William Seabrook (BF 49) and Jim Everitt (B 50) did not progress beyond R1.

The 2016 Grafton Morrish Scratch team comprised: Sevi Rixson, Graeme Skinner, Andrew Duck, Ed Songaila, Sam Smale and Stuart Havelock, they won in R1, but lost 2-1 in the R2 to Radley.

Away from the scratch golf, we have several other meetings. At the Spring Meeting 2017: 30 OHs attendees and on a wonderful day, it was marvellous to see several new faces. Results: The Spring Foursomes - won in fine style by Simon Horwood (BF 79) and Richard Pickford (A 66). The Higginson Scratch -won by the evergreen Sandy Terris with a terrific gross score of 75. The Handicap Spring Cup - won by Robin Warner-Smith (L 68), with 36pts and the Seniors Cup (55’s +) - won by William Seabrook with 43 points.

The Seniors Meeting 2017 Result: - won by newcomer Tim Fillingham (Ha 74) who beat the field by 5 points.

Match Vs The School Team - at Essendon GC where the OH’s try to prove that experience counts for more than youth and vigor, and usually fail, as we did again in 2016. OHGS luck improved a little in 2017, which saw the School retain the trophy in a halved match.

Dubai Tour 2017 : Saw our inaugural overseas event with 12 OH’s (well, 11 and an interloper!) swapping these cold February shores for the warm, sun-kissed fairways of Dubai for 3 nights and four days of friendly golf. It was great fun and our thanks go to our local member, Steve Thomas, for helping to organize the event. 2018’s
Sports

event will take place a little earlier, seeing ten or so OHs heading off to Dubai and Abu Dhabi in January.

Autumn Meeting 2016

On Friday Morning we play for the Usher Goblets, a foursomes competition - was won by Scott Woods & Sevi Rixson with 39pts. In the afternoon we play a scratch tournament for the Higginson Cigarette Box, won by Sevi Rixson with a 73. In the same round, those of us not up to the rigors of a scratch competition play for the Westward Hol! - won this year by Simon Horwood with 40 points. The Senior's Prize for over 55's, played in the same round, was won by Sam Smale with 34 points. We have two trophies that are played for by combining the two rounds at the Spring and Autumn meeting. In 2016 the winner of the Scratch trophy, the Bonallack Bowl, was Sevi Rixson with a combined score of 152. The combined handicap prize is The Secretary's Hoggit - won by Jeremy Cary with 74 pts. The Saturday morning foursomes event, the Friendship Decanters - won by John Palmer (E 62) & Mark Courage with 34pts. Saturday afternoon, those with the stamina play for the Seabrook Haileybury and Imperial Service Trophy (SHiST) which this year was won by Graeme Skinner.

The 2017 Autumn Meeting results are as follow:

Usher Goblets - 1st Lawrence Baker & Mansoor Varvani 41pts; 2nd Sevi Rixson & Carl Tosner 38pts
Friendship Decanters - 1st Patrick Curry & Stuart Havelock 42pts; 2nd Ian Much & Sam Smale 40pts
Higgins Scratch - 1st Sevi Rixson 71; 2nd Stuart Havelock 76
Handicap - 1st Jeremy Cary 40pts; 2nd Scott Woods 37pts; 3rd Paul Pickford 37pts c/b
Seniors - 1st Patrick Curry 36pts; 2nd Ian Much 33pts
BB Combined Scratch (Spring & Autumn) - 1st Graeme Skinner 161; 2nd Andrew Duck 165
Hoggitt Combined Handicap (Spring & Autumn) - 1st Jeremy Cary 69pts; 2nd Lawrence Baker 63pts
Hog (SHiST) which this year was won by Graeme Skinner.

Old Haileyburian Rugby Football Club report – 2016/17 season

The Club has once again excelled with both teams being promoted for the second consecutive year. This was a fantastic achievement considering the high levels of injury the team has sustained. The atmosphere has been great and there is a real feeling of pushing forward and an ambition within the Club. Special mention must go to Matt Craig and Rob Petherick, who have worked tirelessly to generate a really positive feeling amongst the players and an unstoppable will to win.

The clubhouse gets smarter and smarter and all the back issues of shared use of the land, water bills, mobile phone mast and security gates etc are now resolved. Clive and Debra Searle continue to improve the teas and the running of the clubhouse and Chris Booth has maintained the grounds to a very high standard.

1st XV

The 1sts enjoyed another cracking season winning 16 of their 18 league matches in Surrey League 4. Only two were lost with 719 points being scored and only 273 being conceded.

The team spirit was excellent. There was a loss of players through injury and the seconds were called upon to plug the gaps but the first team fought hard in every match.

The addition of Steve Wood as team coach made a huge difference and the support from the lads for training really showed in our ability to come back from behind and win.

2nd XV

After being promoted at the end of the 2015/16 season the team faced a tough task in Surrey Conference 1 and responded well to adversity from the start. There were only 13 players for the first game at Chobham and the team were without a front row. Despite this and two simultaneous yellow cards, the team still managed to win 43-21 and the season was kick started from there.

The rugby oscillated between a champagne style and a very average one but the team stuck at it throughout the season and more often than not came out on top. We went into every game full of belief that we would win, and this confidence was more often than not rewarded.

Despite having a number of games called off due to opposition player issues, we did not pull out of a single game due to a lack of players and had just one game where we were docked points for no front row.

The season ended with the team winning 12 and losing 6 games out of our 18, which enabled us to finish second and secure promotion for the second year running.

OHRFC Sponsorship of Rugby at Haileybury

The club backs rugby at the school and this year the £25,000 grant was spent on:

- Greg Stitcher scholarship – £10,000. Sam Hurding has been outstanding.
- Video analysis of 1st XV games – £3,000. This helps to promote the game in school with highlights of the 1st XV games on the screens in Grubber early in the week following a match.
- Kit (water bottles, balls, training kit supplements) – £2,000
- Physio and supplies for the first XV – £2,000
- External coaching staff – £2,500.
- GPS trackers and computer system to utilise them – £1,500 pa.
- Hiring out Allianz Park (Saracens RFC ground) for a Prep school tournament – £1,000 followed by 1st XV game at – £2,200.
- Regional and County Sevens tournament entries – £500
- Tom Huckin (B 65)

Hermit 2017

As autumn approached and mellow fruitfulness beckoned, the Haileybury Hermits could reflect on a positive season writes David Rimmer.

A narrow defeat in the Cricketer Cup after a long journey showed a great spirit and no little skill while there were strong individual performances in other matches.

The fixture list is as buoyant as it has been in the last 20 years and it is
just a case of building on the momentum that has been created, not least by the indefatigable Tom Wigglesworth (K 06) for his unsung work behind the scenes.

The Cricketer Cup tie at Sherborne Pilgrims saw an agonising loss by eight runs, an extremely creditable outcome bearing in mind that the Hermits team were without some strong players.

Sherborne batted first and scored 275-9 on a wicket that was basically good for batting. They started nervously and slipped to 28-2 before a powerful 88 from Henry Cheal provided a good foundation. Fergus Taylor then made a swift and crucial 60 not out. The pick of the Haileybury bowlers were Sam Boothby (Tr 06) (3-40) and Julian Higgs (E 95) (2-38), but the Hermits were left to rue the lack of a fifth bowler. A massive 105 runs were hit off two part-time bowlers.

In reply, Cricketer Cup debutant James Brooking (LS & K 08) made a composed 17 before he was dismissed. Skipper Tom Billings (LS & BF 04) joined Joe Satt (LS & BF 04) and the pair displayed real authority in adding 153 for the second wicket before the former was dismissed for a fluent 73.

Sherborne were encouraged and although Satt went on to make a brilliant 110, it was not enough.

The rest of the batting could not break the tight shackles of the home attack and the Hermits ended on 267-8.

It was not the Ashes and more friendly than anything else when the Hermits beat a touring Haileybury Australia team by 10 wickets in a 40-over game on Pavilion. The visitors, who were experienced in 1987 and 1989 when the two teams played each other on Pavilion.

Either side of the above games, the club won all their three other matches. There were some notable performances while the Hermits also took part in the rain-affected Sandy Ross tournament.

The details are:

vs Haileybury XI – May 13, Haileybury 236-4 Dec (Tom Billings 108*, Joe Satt 43) bt Haileybury 1st XI 143 (Robbie Woodburn 5-34, Sam Boothby 2-28, Ryan O’Leary 2-7) by 93 runs.

vs Wellington away – May 28, Haileybury 265 (Caleb Stewart 65) bt Wellington 166 (Julian Higgs 4-26, Sam Boothby 3-30) by 99 runs.

vs Epsom home – August 13, Epsom 190 (Julian Higgs 3-37) lost to Haileybury Hermits 191-3 (Jordan Carter 68, Tom Billings 66) by 7 wickets.

Sandy Ross Tournament at St James Montefiore Cricket Club, Ditchling in East Sussex.

The first game was tied as the Hermits (135 all out) vs Sandy Ross XI, lost more wickets. The Hermits didn’t play their second game due to rain.

OHs Hockey 2016/17

It was another good year for OH hockey in 2016/17.

The annual Haileybury 6s tournament saw many old boys’ teams from esteemed schools compete for the Nunn Cup, commemorating the achievements of alumnus Tony Nunn (Ha 41).

A strong turnout from the OHs produced some exhibition hockey which enabled Haileybury to reach the semi-final where they were narrowly defeated by the eventual winners.

The OHs were also out in full force at the annual Helsinki Cup against the current Haileybury 1st XI. There was quality from both sides, and revealed the talent soon to join the OHs. However, it was the OHs day, marking the first time in the cup’s history that it was lifted by the OHs.

We look forward to the repeat of these two events next year. For more details please contact Ben Balmforth at bbalmforth21@gmail.com

OH Ladies Hockey 2016/7

September 10th saw a run out from our committed OH girls for the annual showdown against the current pupils. A breakthrough in turnout from our leavers this year enabled us to run two games simultaneously for the first since OH girls hockey was started up, enabling all of our girls some quality pitch time and exposure to the fresh Haileybury 1st and 2nd teams this season. The 1st XI Haileybury girls retained the Nunn Cup in style with a fast paced and competitive win of 6-2. It was the toughest game we have played to date against the pupils which saw some fantastic goals from Haileybury’s up and coming superstars; namely Scarlet Spavin (Removes). The 2nd XI achieved a draw of 2-2 in what I heard to be a competitive game with some great talent.
Sports

We have had such a huge increase in both morale and engagement in recent months and OH girls hockey is rising year on year. I am excited for what is to come in both 2018 and the years moving forward. We are hoping to involve the OH ladies in the annual 6-aside tournament hosted on Haileybury turf, as well as other named tournaments and fixtures throughout the year. The growth our OH hockey is witnessing is only just the start and I urge any new leavers to reach out and make contact in the hope that we can keep building on such a strong and promising OH team for future events.

Alice Coley (LS & H 04)

OH Rackets 2017

Buoyed by enthusiasm from Haileybury’s new pro, Graeme Tyndall, OH Rackets has enjoyed a strong revival in the last couple of years.

The annual Richard Palmer Memorial rackets tournament took place on 17 June and was a huge success. Old Boys and girls turned up for fun singles and doubles tournaments including a barbecue lunch followed by a dinner at The College Arms.

There was a strong turnout of 20 players and eight supporters, representing every decade since the 1960s. The OH rackets club is very much looking forward to building on this success for next year.

There is further mention of this in Sue and John Palmer’s article below.

Tom Billings said: ‘I’d like to express our thanks to Graeme Tyndall for organising the day.’

Elsewhere, Haileybury hosted a match between the school and The Jesters, a wandering club represented this time by OHs Arnie Englander (LS & E 09), Dan Gaskell (LS & Th 09), James Brooking (LS & K 08) and Paul Tripp (L 76).

The evening was a high quality affair which saw the Jesters experience (Englander and Gaskell) come out on top in a narrow victory against the school first pair of Hal Shayer and Sam Marchant, while Brooking and Tripp lost out to the second pair of Arthur Greenwood and Luis Schneider.

Another sign of the momentum of OH Rackets was that the club entered a record number of three pairs in the Noel Bruce Championships in September 2017. This is the annual tournament held at The Queens Club in London that marks the start of the rackets season and is a prestigious event in the sport’s calendar.

The second and third pairs Ben Hirschfeld (Ha 91) and David Wilson (BF 02), Deane Pennick (B 77) and Tom Symonds (A 78) played well, each winning one of their group matches. However, it was the first pair of Mark Farmiloe (B 93) and Tom Billings (LS & BF 04) who showed that OH rackets is not just about quantity but about quality too, by beating the fifth and fourth seeds (Wellington and Winchester) on their way to the final against Cheltenham (the 2016 winners).

The OH’s won on default due to an unfortunate illness. Tom Billings said: “While it was disappointing not to play the final, this is still an extraordinary achievement.” More extraordinary still has been Tom Billings’ rise to the top of the world game. He enjoyed a superb 2016/17 season in which he won the British Open, British Invitational and British Amateur Singles titles confirming his number two World ranking. This has earned him the right to a World Championship Challenge match against the reigning champion, James Stout.

The club wishes Tom all the very best in New York for the first leg and then at Queen’s on 18 November.

Richard Palmer Sporting Events

Richard Palmer (E 92) was killed on operations in Iraq in 2006. Since then two sporting events have taken place annually which celebrate his life. For the first time both took place at Haileybury this summer. Both involve sports that he loved – and was rather good at!

The Richard Palmer memorial rackets tournament, held on 27th June this year, is a fun day of rackets for OHs of all ages, standards and genders with the winner of the singles being awarded the trophy which was presented by the Haileybury Society shortly after Richard’s death. It was played for a number of years but then fell into disuse only to be revived by Graeme Tyndall, the rackets pro, last year. He had been looking for a way to get the OH rackets scene more active and discovered that a trophy already existed. By pure coincidence, he had known Richard at Durham University.

Last year it was a fairly small event but this year it was very well attended by players and supporters of all ages. The weather was kind which meant that exhausted players were able to relax outside the court and discuss their past triumphs. For some, those glories were very recent whilst for others they were some years ago.

Nonetheless being back on the Haileybury court brought back skills that some had forgotten they had and the standard of play was extremely high. Graeme has provided a report on the day elsewhere but, unsurprisingly, the winner of the trophy was Tom Billings (LS & BF 04) (Number 2 in the world) who beat David Wilson (BF 03) in the final for the second year running.

The day concluded with a gathering at the College Arms – which, no doubt, revived memories of previous visits not necessarily known to the staff! Throughout the day and in the evening too many faces from the College’s rackets past to record were to be seen either playing or supporting, but special mention must be made of Peter Ellis (Staff 64-96) who taught so many generations (including Richard) both rackets and cricket, and his wife Lillian, who fed so many late returning teams, and of Howard Angus (Staff 96-02) who had coached many of those taking part. It was great to see them. Inevitably Peter headed straight to his scoring box and looked as if he’d never been away.

It was a wonderful event which would not have been possible without Graeme’s enthusiasm and organisational skills or without the generous support of the Haileybury Society.
Sports

On 6th August, Pavilion was the venue for the 7th RJ Palmer XI v DOH Sale XI annual cricket match.

Durham University hockey club lost, within a year, not only Richard but also FIt Lt David Sale who was killed in a helicopter accident. They were contemporaries at Durham and both stalwarts of the club. The first two cricket matches were played at Haileybury before it moved elsewhere. This year it returned and, once again, the weather was kind.

Initially the teams and supporters were found almost exclusively from the Durham hockey club but now include OHs, members of Richard's regiment and RAF friends of David. Numbers have also swollen as families have grown and this year there must have been approaching 100 people of all sizes enjoying themselves on Pavilion.

This year there were some very tired players since it was the 10th anniversary of David's death and some of them had set themselves the challenge of raising money for the RAF Benevolent Fund and the North East Air Ambulance. By the time they took the field they had already played two hockey matches, swum 10km as a relay, biked, run a half marathon and white water rafted in the previous 36 hours – all in/on the 2012 Olympic facilities!

Eli the elephant, mascot of the RAF Benevolent Fund, was cavorting around to entertain the families – the man in the suit deserved a medal in the heat – picnics were being eaten, friendships were being made or renewed and, out in the middle, a very competitive cricket match broke out. In the end the David Sale XI won on the last ball of the game. For the statistically minded, honours are now even made or renewed and, out in the middle, a very competitive cricket match broke out. In the end the David Sale XI won on the last ball of the game. For the statistically minded, honours are now even made or renewed and, out in the middle, a very competitive cricket match broke out. In the end the David Sale XI won on the last ball of the game. For the statistically minded, honours are now even made or renewed and, out in the middle, a very competitive cricket match broke out. In the end the David Sale XI won on the last ball of the game. For the statistically minded, honours are now even

The effort and enthusiasm was immense, and the camaraderie created still lives on today.

Hopefully both events will take place again next year. Dates have not yet been arranged but Graeme Tyndall would love to hear from OH rackets players of any vintage interested in the rackets and facilities and, in particular, the use of Pavilion – a better setting is hard to imagine.

Huge thanks are due to the College for allowing the use of their facilities and, in particular, the use of Pavilion – a better setting is hard to imagine.

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Once again, many thanks to both the College and the Society for making the two memorable events possible.

Sue & John Palmer (E 62) (Bursar 98-05)

OH Football

OHs… your Football Club needs you… In 1965 Football at Haileybury was a dirty word. Julian Josephs (M 64), then in his second term in Melvill, was met with "I am confiscating your football Josephs, it’s a dangerous object, and until further notice" said the house prefect!

This made him even more determined to lobby for the game to be part of the curriculum.

Haileybury has a rich history since 1969 of playing great football with some very very talented players. In 1970, the school’s first ever Tour, in the Easter holidays saw us go to Bethune in France, near Lille. The local youth side were unbeaten! I recall in 32 games until we played them, winning 3-2… The following year 2 of us attended an FA coaching course at Roehampton, myself and Simon Cheetham (B 69), a supremely talented athlete (unbeaten XV 71, XI and Soccer XI) where he scored a hat trick vs the Arsenal youth team. He had top football sides rushing to sign him but he only wanted to play top class rugby, and did for Quins.

That era saw the last unbeaten XV in 1971. Six of that side played football over 3 years and the 1st XI was unbeaten for those 3 years, saying something about the period but it was also down to Syd Hill (Staff 71-75 & 77-80) an ex-West Ham junior, Cambridge blue and Amateur Cup winner with Enfield.

Tim Hays (LS, C & Th 93), present OH captain tells a similar story of unbeaten years with a talented group of boys, who are still playing Vets footie.

The photo shows the very first effort at putting together a school side to play unofficially, (as Football or soccer as it became known in the early days, was a banned sport). Unofficially, this meant games were played against the Kitchen staff, sometimes with masters, or against a Hertford Heath side, again with masters or members of the school ground staff and friends.

Julian Josephs (M 64) with Roger Saper (A 64), Jim Wortley (C 66), Mike Wheeler (C 65), Nick Malicka (Tr 68) and a few others lobbied constantly for football as a sport, pestering the then Master William Stewart (63-75). Eventually he gave in…

1970 saw the first OH side in the Arthurian League, playing friendlies to begin with, the home pitch being Mitcham Common where the grass had to be cleaned before games. Tea was at the Windmill pub adjoining the common.

Messrs Saper and Josephs spent hours fetching players from all parts of London, in the day’s classic cars often with wings hanging off! The effort and enthusiasm was immense, and the camaraderie created still lives on today.

The school benefits from all the OH clubs, be it golf rugby, cricket etc etc and so it should be, why not a girls OH side at football?

The guys in the early 70s worked tirelessly to make things happen, and create a club to be proud of, and there are options to build new OH facilities at the school, with club house, pitches etc.

I call on all OHs to get involved in making the OH football club great again, so contact any of us via Tim Hays (timhays@mail.com)

Club Captain to start the ball rolling if you can help in any way, playing or otherwise…

Richard Osborne (E 72), Roger Saper (A 69) Julian Josephs (M 69)
Sports

**OH Football 2**

Unfortunately the OHFC team was disbanded this season due to a lack of interest from all quarters.

Having competed in the Arthurian League for more than 25 years it was a sad day for those who had represented the club in the past and the current “small group” of players that were keen to continue playing.

The club relocated to the College four years ago from its previous residence in Tolworth, Surrey, which we hoped would help increase the chances of the club growing and continuing to compete. Unfortunately, this wasn’t the case and due to an ageing team (with family commitments) we were unable to generate enough interest with the “Younger” OHs.

Whilst the “main” club had to withdraw from the Arthurian League we are fortunate in that we do still have a representative team in the Old Boys’ footballing network. This is the OHFC Vets team – a group of ageing Old Haileyburians who still try to kick a ball around. Last year was the first season we competed in the Derrick Moore Cup and were unfortunate to lose on penalties to the Old Chigwellians.

This was after the OH team had played the whole game with 10 men, due to a hamstring injury in the warm-up to one of our “youngish” players.

We then competed in the Derrick Moore Plate competition and unfortunately lost 3-1 in the semi-finals to Old Brentwoods whose school has a strong football reputation.

This season we continue to ply our trade with friendly matches every other month and have our first competitive game this December against Old Foresters. The Vets team is currently made up of around 20 players aged 35 and over; we plan our matches far in advance to ensure family trips to the zoo etc don’t coincide with our attempts to relive our youth and represent the college. We are keen to invite more old boys to join the club and take part. The club is very non-committal and requires attendance as and when suits, plus the added bonus is that Vets football is roll-on, roll-off substitutions – trust me there are a few of us who literally do this!

Scott O’Donoghue (LS & E 90)

**Sam Billings (BF 04)**

Sam Billings has signed a new contract with Kent and been appointed vice-captain of the Hop county for 2018.

The 26-year-old Old Haileyburian came through the ranks at his home county and made his debut in all formats in 2011.

However, 13 ODI and 13 T20 appearances for England, as well as white-ball stints in the IPL, Big Bash and Pakistan Super League, have limited his Kent service over the past two summers.

The wicket-keeper has only played 53 first-class games in seven seasons for Kent.

He stated: “I have still got a lot to prove, especially in four-day cricket but I’ve averaged 44 over the last two seasons in first class cricket so I feel my game is definitely progressing.”

The Old Haileyburian defended his decision to play in the IPL.

He said: “A few Kent fans on social media have voiced their opinions on my travels.

“I know the supporters would like to see me play a full season of county cricket but these are great opportunities and ones you’ll only be able to take up at a certain time in your career.

“If you get offered the opportunity to play top-level cricket around the world, in my opinion it would be stupid not to take it up. It does improve you as a cricketer.”

He added: “The example I gave to (head coach) Matt Walker at our end of season review was coming from the IPL into a pressure situation when we need 12 an over in front of 25,000 people in a T20 at the Oval – coming in and being able to execute my skills and more or less get us over the line.

“That was simply because I’ve had those opportunities around the world and played in situations like that.

“The only way you learn is by playing in high-pressure situations. That experience can help you improve and put performances in for Kent and hopefully England further down the line, too.”

After committing his future to the club he joined at the age of eight, Billings hopes the disappointment of falling short in the Championship promotion push (from division two) could inspire Kent to ‘an incredible’ season in 2018.

He commented: “You have that emotional connection to the county, it’s home. My family are Kent through and through.

“It means a lot to play for my home county and makes (success) far more important.

He added: “This year has hurt – things haven’t been good enough but it’s an exciting time. A lot of the time you can have an incredible season after a bad one.

“As long as we learn from this season, that’s the most important thing.”

This information was taken from an article that appeared on Kent Online and was sub-edited.

David Rimmer (Th 76)
Join the Old Haileyburian Rugby Club. Winning has never been such fun!

What?
The Old Haileyburian Rugby Football Club (OHRFC) was set up in 1903 and is one of the longest surviving (and now open) old boys clubs in the country. From its grounds in Ewell Surrey it fields two, sometimes three, adult teams that have been promoted in the Surrey leagues each year for the last three years. There are over 200 player members and a further 250+ ex-players and Life members.

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