



PRESIDENT: Dr Nigel Brown OBE

The Old Warwickian

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Boarders **welcomed back** to Big School

Warwick School hosts **Japanese team** and the **RWC Trophy**

The Garrick Club chosen as OWA President's Dinner



Forthcoming Events

1996 & 2006 Leavers' Anniversary Reunions

Saturday 25 June 2016

Save the date!

1996 and 2006 leavers are warmly invited back to Warwick School for informal twenty and ten year anniversary reunions on 25 June 2016.

Meet back at School from 12:00 to 14:00 for drinks, a light lunch and tour of the School. While there is no charge for attending these anniversary gatherings, please book on www.oldwarwickians.org so we can gauge numbers for catering purposes.

1996 Leavers



2006 Leavers



OW and OG Drama Society

The Bridge House Theatre – Fri 4 March 2016



Coram Boy 2008.



Don Quixote 2009.



Lord of the Flies 2007.



Pravda 2011.

Warwick and King's High Drama departments are launching a brand new Old Warwickians and Old Girls Drama Association specially for those who have either completed AS or A Level Drama or been part of any of the many productions completed over the years. We are keen to build a membership who will gather from time to time, with the opportunity to attend shows in the Bridge House Theatre, enjoy some informal networking and share and develop new creative projects.

Our first gathering will be on Friday 4 March in the Bridge House Theatre, before and after a performance of *Gargantua* – our 2016 entry for the National Theatre Connections 500 Festival. Pre-show drinks will be available from 18:30 before the show at 19:00. After the performance, at 20:00, there will be a drinks reception when the association will be formally launched in the foyer of the Bridge House Theatre.

We invite all interested OWs to get in touch with Alumni Relations at Warwick (alumni@warwickschool.org) to secure your free ticket for *Gargantua* and/or to enrol in the new association – which will have a snappy name and logo in time for our launch!

Chapel Services – Lent 2016

Jan 17	Epiphany readings and music
Jan 31	Dedication of Spear watercolours
Feb 7	Candlemas Choral Service
Feb 28	Mayor's and OW Sunday
Mar 6	Mothering Sunday
Mar 13	Passiontide Service: Readings and music for Passion.

All Old Warwickians and their families and friends are welcome at these services.

Music and Drama

For information on forthcoming School music and drama productions see www.warwickschool.org.

Diary of Events

OW Coffee Morning, The Pyne Room, Warwick School, Sat 9 January, 10:00-11:30. No need to book, just turn up for coffee, bacon butties and a chat. Wives, partners and friends welcome.

Floreat Society Lunch Warwick School Tues 1 March, 12:00.	OW Golf Spring Meeting Tadmarton Heath Golf Club Tues 17 May, 08:00.	2006 Leavers' 10 year reunion Warwick School Sat 25 June, 12:00-14:00.
OW and OG Drama Society Bridge House Theatre Fri 4 Mar, 18:30.	School vs. OW Golf Venue tbc Fri 24 June.	School vs. OW Cricket Warwick School Sat 25 June, 11:00.
OWA President's Dinner The Garrick Club Fri 6 May, 19:00-22:30.	1996 Leavers' 20 year reunion Warwick School Sat 25 June, 12:00-14:00.	School vs. OW Tennis Warwick School Sat 2 July, time tbc.

For information on any of these events please contact: Anne Douglas, Alumni Relations, Warwick School. Tel: 01926 776404. Email: a.douglas@warwickschool.org.

Forthcoming Events

OWA President's Dinner

The Garrick Club – Fri 6 May 2016

The Garrick Club in central London is the unique and prestigious venue for this year's President's Dinner. OWA President Dr Nigel Brown OBE (WS 1957-64) invites Old Warwickians and their wives/partners, to join him at The Garrick Club on Friday 6 May.

The Garrick Club, founded in 1831 and named after the great 18th century actor David Garrick, is a private members' club in the heart of London's West End and theatre-land. One of the oldest and most exclusive members' clubs in the world, The Garrick was established 'as a place where actors and men of refinement and education might meet on equal terms'. The Club has around 1,300 members, including many of the most distinguished actors and men of letters in the country. Its greatest treasure is undoubtedly the most comprehensive collection of theatrical paintings and drawings in the world.

Plan for the evening

- 19:00 Welcome drinks in the Morning Room.
- 19:45 Call for dinner.
- 20:00 Four course dinner and speeches in the Coffee Room.
- 22.30 Carriages.

Dress: Black tie.



The Garrick Club.

Tickets

£90 per person to include pre-dinner drinks, a four course dinner with coffee and dinner wine. Wives/partners welcome. To book your ticket(s) simply complete and return the booking form on page 16 or book online at www.oldwarwickians.org.

Booking deadline

Wednesday 6 April 2016. We expect this event to be a sell-out. 100 tickets are available on a first come, first served basis.

Coach

Organised mini-coach travel to and from Warwick School may be available if there is sufficient demand. It would leave Warwick School at 15:30 and expect to leave The Garrick at 22:30. Costs are likely to be in the region of £25 to £45 per person, depending on numbers.

OW Armed Forces Dinner

Warwick School looks forward to welcoming back OWs who are currently serving and those who have served in the Armed Forces, for the biennial OW Armed Forces Dinner. Pictures will be posted on www.oldwarwickians.org and in the next Old Warwickian newsletter.



Col Jules Buczaczk, seen here in 2014, will host the Armed Forces Dinner.

Dr. Nigel W Brown OBE (WS 1957-64) – OWA President 2016



Nigel Brown's interests and experience cover a vast spectrum, from investment management, start-up financing and advice, and venture capital funding, to significant roles in both the arts and the community.

Nigel has played a key role in the Cambridge business community for over 30 years, having started his own business, NW Brown Ltd, in 1974. By 2007, when he retired from the organization, it employed almost 100 people and managed discretionary funds of over \$1bn. Since the 1990s Nigel has spent much of his time helping early stage businesses with finance and advice. As part of this process he formed

the Great Eastern Investment Forum, an angel network, and was co-founder of the Cambridge Network.

He was also one of the first external members of the Cambridge University Council and has chaired the University Audit Committee. In 2007 Nigel won the Queen's Award for Enterprise Promotion and was High Sheriff of Cambridgeshire in 2010/11.

Since the 1980s Nigel has also been helping exceptional musicians to acquire their own stringed instruments. As Founder (and funder) of The Stradivari Trust, a charity which sets up individual trusts for top string players to enable them to play and eventually own the instruments of their choice, Nigel has helped over 35 musicians including Nigel Kennedy, Steven Isserlis, Jennifer Pike, Laurence Power and Natalie Clein.

Nigel was awarded the OBE in 2008.

Recent Events

1940s-60s School House Dinner

4 September 2015

Over 70 boarders from the 1940s to '60s were welcomed back to Warwick School in September for a School House Chapel Service and Dinner. Many had journeyed long distances, including Peter Ling from the US and Mike Galbraith from Japan. Siblings in attendance included twins John and Stephen Abbotts, brothers Mike and Richard Galbraith, Ian and Geoff Thorpe, Brian and Martin Newman, Tony and Patrick Twigger and three Shiners; Roy, Godfrey and Colin. Much loved staff guests included Ros Wilson (née Pulford, Junior House matron from 1955-61), Jean Maitland (née Fifield, WS 1952-66), Penelope Tookey (WS 1960-62) and Jeremy Key-Pugh (WS Staff 1968-73).

School chaplain Andrew Gough led the Chapel service, Ellis Rowe gave a reading and Patrick Moren led the prayers. Chapel was followed by a drinks reception in the old dining room. Dinner in the Pyne Room (Big School) was heralded by the traditional School House roll call, speedily delivered by Julian Johnston.

Richard Gething and Ian Thorpe did the honours with grace, the loyal toast and a vote of thanks. Congratulations to Brian Newman for coming up with the initial idea of a boarders' reunion, and for his support in the planning and organisation. After the dinner, Brian gave an excellent and humorous speech, recalling life in both the Junior and Senior boarding houses in the '50s and '60s, with some wonderful anecdotes. Head Master Gus Lock responded with a most amusing address and toast to the Old Warwickian Association.

The evening was an excellent event and thanks were extended to all those involved in making it such a success. We hope the dozen dinner jacketed chaps, last seen staggering through the darkness over the river bridge, made it safely to the bar of the Warwick Arms.



Ian Branton and Stephen Abbotts.



Chapel, before the Dinner.



Brian Groser and RPS Jones arrive early for a recee.



Edward Rose and Julian Johnston.



Charles Miller and Keith Thomas.



Jean Maitland and Brian Newman.



David Payne and Gerald Arnold.



Mike Galbraith and Richard Gething.



Ian Thorpe and John Hawkesford.



John Denby and Anthony Penn.



Prof. Robert Bluglass and John Cooper.



Peter Turner, Guy Hallifax and John Clift.



Mike Mellor and Roy Shiner.



Nigel Robinson and Richard Gething.



Stephen Abbotts, John Abbotts and Robert Luker.



Tony Smith, Brian Groser and RPS Jones.



Patrick Twigger, Peter Baird, Tony Twigger and John Wetherby.



Nigel Hempstock, John Wilson and John Taylor.



Roy, Godfrey and Colin Shiner.



John Wilson, Malcolm Eykyn, Ros Wilson, Penelope Tookey, Jean Maitland and David Tolley.



Dinner in the Pyne Room (Big School).



Philip Harris, Nick Madeley, Nicholas Willson, Geoff Weir and Richard Galbraith.

Hong Kong boarders

21 September 2015

Deputy Headmaster David Wickes, Boarding House Parent Mike Perry and Maths Master Peter O'Grady travelled to Hong Kong in September to meet prospective Warwick School students, current parents and a number of OWs who had boarded at the School in recent years.



Kenneth Wan and Justin Law.



Kester Kwok, Ms So Chung Wong, Michael Chao, Andy Leung, Ronald Chiu and Brian Chin.



Jacky Cheung.



Peter Lau.

Recent Events

1985 Rugby Tour to Zimbabwe – 30 year reunion

5 September 2015

Former teacher Brian Emmerson (WS Staff 1967-2006) was delighted to see back at School many of those who went on the 1985 Rugby tour to Zimbabwe. The 1985 tour was the School's first long distance overseas sports tour. It is fondly remembered thirty years on by those who visited this unfamiliar country.

Martin Green (WS Staff 1970-2005) and Neil Smith (WS 1974-84), who coached and played rugby respectively with the 1985 1st XV, joined the group for lunch in the Pyne Room. We were also pleased to welcome staff who went on the tour; Ian Moffatt (WS Staff 1972-2002) and tour doctor, Peter Freeman.

Lunch was capped by watching the current 1st XV play their opening match of the season, narrowly defeating Dulwich College 8-7. A tour of the School was postponed for another occasion as local watering holes and the England vs. Ireland RWC warm up match beckoned.



Chris Freeman, Brian Emmerson, Neil Smith, Jim Button, Dave Dunnett, Charlie Sheppy, John McCulloch, Martin Green, John Flynn, Jim Seaton, Peter Freeman, Ian Moffatt and James Blake.

OWA Annual Dinner

5 December 2015

The 2015 OWA Annual Dinner returned to its familiar home, the Pyne Room.

An excellent five course dinner was prepared and served by the School's catering team for 75 guests who enjoyed good food, wine and great company.



Tim Jacques, Tom Hamnett, Paul O'Grady, Sandip Dhillon, Owen James, Simon Doherty, Hugo Doyle, Laurence Foster, Kieran Millar.



The Pyne Room.

OWA AGM

The 2015 OWA AGM took place before the Annual Dinner on 5 December. Reports were received from the Chairman, Treasurer and Old Warwickian Trust. Alumni Officer Anne Douglas presented a summary of OWA activities and events in 2015. OWA President Michael Harwood was thanked for his support throughout 2015 and for providing an excellent dinner at the Mary Rose Museum last May. Retiring Chairman Roy Dixon was thanked for his years of service to the OWA.

OWA Committee 2016

President – Nigel Brown OBE

Chairman – Jim Button

Treasurer – Jonathan Meredith

Head Master – Gus Lock

The committee retained the option to co-opt members.

President Elect (to serve as President 2017) – Julian Marcus.

Old Warwickian Trust

The Old Warwickian Trust, launched four years ago, is currently providing full bursaries at Warwick School for three local boys.

The Trust was originally established under the chairmanship of Clive Mason, who has since retired, as has Geoff Thorpe. The chairmanship has been taken over by Richard Thornton and other trustees are Gus Lock (Head Master), Nigel Robinson (Secretary), Jonathan Meredith (Treasurer), Charles Heaton (Chairman of finance & property sub-committee), Roy Dixon/Jim Button (OWA Chairman), David Stevens (Chairman of Foundation Governors) and Simon Hain.

The Trust currently has an investment portfolio of circa £700,000, the interest from which funds the three bursaries. The Trust also owns the Hampton Road Ground, which was previously owned by OW Properties and has been rented since the 1980s by the OWRFC and, more recently, Warwickians RFC. Sadly, the rugby club folded last summer.

The Trust has received a number of tenders from prospective tenants, mostly at attractive rents that will allow us to improve the premises for the future and provide additional bursaries for deserving boys.

Recent Events

OW London Reunion

3 November 2015

Sincere thanks to Charles Clark (WS 1941-45) who kindly arranged for The Cavalry & Guards Club to host the annual London Reunion. Charles has been a member of the Club since the early 1950s and welcomed OWs to this 'London home' of serving and retired officers of the Household Division, Cavalry and Yeomanry Regiments of the Line, The Royal Tank Regiment and associated units and military clubs around the world.

100 OWs gathered for drinks in the historic Field Marshals' Room. With much regret Head Master Gus Lock was unable to attend. Development Director Phillip Rothwell, School Archivist Gervald Frykman, and teachers Jon Stone, Eric Hadley and Robert Hudson were delighted to be joined by many familiar OW faces and also to welcome a number of OWs who were attending the London gathering for the first time.



Ben Compton and Charles Clark.



Rob Freeland, Geoffrey Bodker and Dan Buckle.
Photo: Ben Compton @whatcompsaw.



David Johnston, Tim Austin, Sam Wright, Yang Shen, Jonathan Cox and Richard Wilson.



Henry Turner, Jordan Asghar, Navrit Bal, Cameron Imray and Oli Dugmore.



Sam, Tim, Nick, Ed, Simon and Jim Button.



Will Lavelle, Shang Wei Yei, Rory Pelych, Michael Dunnett-Stone and Henry Skudra.



Charlie Griffiths, Philip Hunt and Nick Scaramanga.



Peter Duffy, Peter Varnish and Michael Duffy.



Martin Carr and Suresh Kanwar.



Jack Gravestock, Will Matthews, Freddie Dixon, Charlie Hayter and Chris Kroeger.



Jon Stone, Ross Lillyman, Ben Compton, Rob Freeland, Ed Holmes, Dan Buckle and Warwick Walker.



Richard Hornby, Alex Stock and Sam Murphy.

School News

Teaching and great exam results are balanced with a full calendar of extra-curricular activities at Warwick School.

2015 Leavers

Warwick School's A level students celebrated excellent A level results last summer with an 81% pass rate at A*- B, and with 52% of students gaining A* or A grades. Head Master Gus Lock commented, "I am delighted that our students enjoyed excellent examination results, excelling across all subject areas and achieving at a level of which they can be incredibly pleased. This has been an outstanding cohort in every way; they have shone both academically and outside the classroom and, above all, have been a great pleasure to know and to teach. They are exceptional young men of whom we are very proud. I know that everyone at the School joins me in sending them our congratulations and wishing them every success and happiness as they embark upon the next stage of their education."

As they leave School we welcome our 2015 leavers to the Old Warwickian Association.

Sayonara to the Japanese team

The Japanese rugby team said their goodbyes after using the facilities at Warwick School. The School had been selected as one of the 41 official team bases for the Rugby World Cup 2015 and was delighted to host Japan. Indeed, Japan were one of the teams of the tournament, with their amazing and historic win over South Africa and a record-breaking domestic audience of 25 million for their match against Samoa.

Younger children at Warwick School welcomed the team when they first arrived. During their stay, while the main focus was on training, the players found time to talk to boys at School. Our older rugby players were also enormously privileged to attend a training session with the six coaches from the Japanese team, including head coach Eddie Jones.



WS boys welcome the Japanese team.



Eddie Jones coaches the senior squad.



Training with the Japanese coaches.

Lower School Drama

The stage was set in a decrepit garage as a cast and crew from King's High and Warwick Junior School performed *Skellig*, based on the novel by David Almond.



Trips and tours

Art, Music and Drama continue to flourish and boys enjoy a fantastic range of academic, sporting and cultural trips and tours.



The choir sang in Notre Dame at Easter.

Mindfulness and well-being



At a time when mental health challenges among young people in schools are greater than ever, Warwick

School is putting mindfulness into the curriculum.

Remembrance

Col Jaish Mahan RAMC (WS 1985-92) spoke to a packed Chapel on Remembrance Sunday. Jaish served as Commanding Officer for the Royal Army Medical Corps at Camp Bastion in Afghanistan. In an honest and moving talk, he reflected on his last tour in Afghanistan and the duty and service of the military medical teams.

During the service, Maths and Hockey teacher Brian Davies, gave his recollections on Pte Joe Whittaker (WS 1999-2005). Joe was killed in Afghanistan in 2008 while serving with the Parachute Regiment.



OWA Chairman 2010-15 Roy Dixon, with Col Jaish Mahan.

Development News

The Warwick Hall



Campaign Chairman Chris Ainslie fixes the golden bolt in the final framework.

The builders are making great progress with the new Hall... now named The Warwick Hall. We hope the building will be complete this summer, ready for use in the autumn.

There has been a great response to the fundraising campaign to support the new Hall. Many OWs have already sponsored a stone on the Warwick Walkway, which will lead from the perimeter of the Warwick Hall. These commemorative stones are individually engraved with names and years at Warwick School.

To sponsor a stone on the Warwick Walkway visit www.oldwarwickians.org/support or contact Phillip Rothwell on 01926 776402. Time is limited. The final deadline for sponsoring a stone is 24 March 2016.



The Hall under construction.

Thank you

Thanks to all OWs who give their time and lend their expertise to help current boys with their careers.

David Stevens (WS 1968-74), Julian Marcus (WS 1971-79), Wes Stanton (WS 1977-88) and Sebastian Holton (WS 1999-2010) kindly helped out with the Speed Interviewing evening.

A number of OWs returned to talk to groups of boys at a Careers Dept Business Lunch. In the Michaelmas term talks included...



Jeff Marshall and Mark Merson.



James Day (WS 2005-11) with Warwick School boys Sam Hill and Charlie Muir.



Deputy Headmaster David Wickes and Martin Samworth.

A degree in English and where it can take you

Mark Merson (WS 1979-86), Barclays.



Will Morris and Brian Schweiger.

The City – career or casino?

William Morris (WS 1975-86), Head of Casualty Underwriting at Generali UK, and Brian Schweiger (WS 1984-86), Head of Equities for London Stock Exchange Group.

Entrepreneurship

James Day (WS 2005-11), Co-founder of Mous.



John Rowe.

Careers in TV and Film

John Rowe (WS 1975-84), Head of Digital FX at the National Film & Television School.

A career in property

Martin Samworth (WS 1972-78), CBRE.

A random walk down Wall Street

Stu Bevan (WS 1977-84), Managing Director at Citibank.



Warwick School boys met OWs Thomas Hunt, Paul Hiatt and Jack Parkin.

Many OWs kindly supported the Careers' Engineering Dinner in November.

Simon creates a sponge for Mary

Mary Berry opened the iconic RHS Wisley Flower Show with a giant 'Victoria Sponge' created by Simon Lycett (WS 1974-85). Simon's workroom continues to flourish as he and his team work at amazing events throughout the world.



Mary Berry with Victoria Sponge designed by floral decorator Simon Lycett.



A Boosey cornet

Warwick School orchestra was pleased to receive a silver Boosey & Co. cornet, kindly donated by David Summers (WS 1955-67). The cornet, made in 1896, belonged to David's father Robert Summers (WS 1934-40).



Silver cornet.

Spotlight on... Iraq

With a degree in Middle Eastern Politics and a communications background, Elliot Grainger (WS 1996-2001) spent 2014 working on a social research project for YouGov in Erbil in the northern Kurdistan region of Iraq. While working there Elliot witnessed first-hand the terrible plight of hundreds of thousands of Iraqis internally displaced by ISIS. Responding to a plea from a local priest, Elliot felt compelled to provide practical help and, with support from friends and family, the Ankawa Foundation was born. Rooted in the Christian faith, the Foundation works to support people, Christian or otherwise, fleeing persecution and war in Iraq.

By the end of 2015 Elliot reports that many of the initial problems experienced by the refugees are being addressed by larger international organisations. Most now have access to watertight accommodation, regular food and clothing and some have managed to find employment locally. However, one of the Foundation's greatest concerns is the lack of education for many of the children who have been displaced. Working with the local community, they have founded a new project and are fundraising to help provide education to 8,000 refugee children. For further information and if you would like to help, please see www.ankawafoundation.org.



Ankawa children.

Rowing for team GB

James Lee (WS 1998-2005) was once again appointed Team Manager for Great Britain at the European University Rowing Championships. James managed over 70 students from 11 universities during the Championships in Hanover in September. The team picked up more gold medals than ever before, with historic wins in the women's and men's eights. The overall medal tally for GB was six gold, five silver and one bronze.



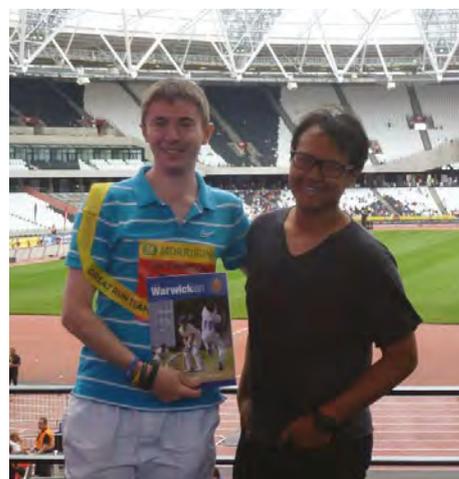
James Lee.

Stained glass designs

Simon Spear, son of stained glass artist and lithographer Francis Spear, has gifted to the School some of his father's magnificent original 1925 watercolour designs for the west window of School Chapel. The watercolours have been framed and will be put on permanent display following an exhibition and service of dedication on 31 January.

Marathon relay

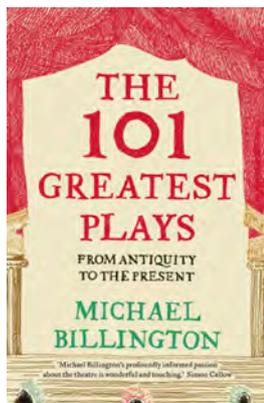
James Mower (WS 2000-2007) is pictured with Kritt Normaskul at the Olympic Stadium, where James competed in the Great London Run marathon relay. The 4 x ¼ marathon team relay started and finished in the former Olympic Stadium.



James Mower and Kritt Normaskul.

The 101 greatest plays

Guardian theatre critic Michael Billington OBE (WS 1949-57), spoke at King's High in October as part of the Warwick Words Festival. From *Oedipus* to *The History Boys*, Michael talked about his new book, *The 101 Greatest Plays: From Antiquity to the Present*, where he selects the 101 greatest plays ever written, in any western language.



Tricked again

Ben Hanlin (WS 1999-2004) returned to ITV2 in October for the third series of *Tricked*. Ben conjured up mischief and the occasional mayhem on unsuspecting celebrities and members of the public with a series of deceptive pranks and illusions. Ben also appeared on *The Apprentice* in the autumn (episode 5)... Alan Sugar's prize for the winning team!

OBE for Ameet

Congratulations to Ameet Gill (WS 1989-2000), awarded an OBE in the 2015 Dissolution Honours. At the time, Ameet was David Cameron's Head of Strategic Communications. He has since been promoted and is now Head of Strategy in Downing Street.



Ameet Gill OBE.

Black & Blue

Listen out for *Black & Blue*, the first official music video from James TW (WS 2005-15).



Josh McGuire

Josh McGuire (WS 1999-06) received great reviews as the hilarious Oliver, an Etonian educationalist with a coercive switch-on-smile in *Future Conditional* at the Old Vic. Josh was also spotted as a palace official in Disney's recent *Cinderella* and is regularly seen in *You, Me & Them*. Watch out for Josh in the new BBC One drama *Love, Nina*.

On yer bike!

Alex Twist (WS 1999-2006) recently undertook an amazing motorcycling expedition with friends in Nepal.

Political unrest, strikes and Indian border closures meant the sole fuel supply to Nepal was completely cut off mid-trip. Abandoned cars formed six mile queues at petrol stations and Alex and his team spent five days trapped in the foothills of the Himalayas without fuel. Tactful negotiation with armed police at a military fuel station on day 5 ended with full tanks all round, and the adventure continued. Leaving the secure compound meant a hair-raising ride through a barrier of riot police and thousands of protesters on the team's not so reliable Royal Enfields.

The remainder of the trip went well, with only a handful of technical hitches which included a rare opportunity to be carried down a Himalayan pass by a 5'0 Sherpa after a trekking injury at 5,400m.

Alex says "Nepal is a beautiful and wonderful country, full of generous, loving and kind people. It is also the sixth poorest country in the world and the Nepalese now need tourists more than ever."



Hero pose at 4,000m, struggling with the altitude.



Alex descending the Thorong La Pass at about 5,000m.

Commonwealth call-up for Jamie

Many congratulations to Jamie Shillcock (WS 2004-15) who played for England 7s in the Commonwealth Youth Games in Samoa in September.

Jamie has also been selected for the England U20 squad.



Jamie Shillcock.

Passion for painting

With a life-long passion for art, Michael Spurgeon (WS 1948-54) enjoyed a tour of the School's Art department in the autumn. Michael has loved art from an early age and was taught at Warwick by H C Deykin (WS Staff 1936-65). Michael shared examples of his marine and military oil paintings and his amazing mediaeval genre illuminations of prayers and events in mediaeval history.



Make all sail: General Chase.



God give us Grace.

Double Honours

Peter and Matt Draper both graduated from Cambridge last summer. Peter left Warwick in 2010 and spent a year working with Rolls Royce, before starting at Christ's College to read Engineering for four years. He gained a 2.1 and a Masters. Matthew left in 2012 and went straight to Selwyn College, where he read Natural Sciences. He also achieved a 2.1. The brothers graduated on consecutive days at the end of June and are seen here together outside the Senate House.



Matt and Peter Draper.



OW father and son Nigel and Elliot Grainger enjoy a house call at No. 10 before the OW London Reunion.

Bond... Chris Bond



Chris Bond (WS 1986-92 and WS Staff 2002-) stands with the Aston Martin DB10 and Jaguar C-X75 from the latest Bond movie *Spectre*. The cars were on display at School one afternoon in November before the Careers' Engineering networking dinner.

Welcome back



Chris Smith (WS 2004-11) visited school in the autumn.



George Parnaby (WS 2004-09) and Alex Hunt (WS 2005-09) visited in September.

OW Hockey and Cross Country

OW Hockey

With thanks to Rob Pomfret.



Back: Tom Jackson, Adam Higgins, Michael O'Sullivan, Ralph Newbold, Andrew Westrope, Jon Byrd. Front: Jack Beard, Harry Simmons, Rob Pomfret, George Toms, Ian Reynolds and Scott Reynolds.
Not pictured: James Hay and coach Anthony Baxter.



Back: Steve Cook, Adam Merrell, Andrew Westrope, Will Vaudry, Phil Foster, Tim Brown, Ethan Gardner, John MacDonald. Front: George Toms, Rob Pomfret, Max Jennings and Nick Anscorb.

OWs triumph in charity hockey tournament

Old Warwickians emerged victorious in the 2015 annual Reeves & Partners Charity Hockey Shield in August.

The event, organised by OW Rob Pomfret, raised £1,000 for the Heart of England Community Foundation. The Foundation manages a variety of funds which are given as small grants to local groups and projects which are mostly volunteer led.

Competing against four other local club teams, it was the first time OWs had won the event in its four years. Jon Byrd, Tom Jackson, Jack Beard, Harry Simmons, Rob Pomfret and George Toms were all impressive going forward. Adam Higgins, Michael O'Sullivan, James Hay, Andrew Westrope, Ralph Newbold and Ian Reynolds were watertight in defence throughout. Scott Reynolds had a brilliant day in goal, making a string of great saves.

Thanks go to sponsors Reeves & Partners Chartered Surveyors, and Warwick Sports Shop, who sponsored a top goal scorer award.

OWs retain Strover Shield

OWs maintained their grip on the annual Strover Shield, defeating the old boys' team from Solihull School 6-4 in September. The match is named after John Strover, WS headmaster 1977-88, who represented Great Britain in hockey at the 1956 Melbourne Olympics.

In a topsy-turvy match, OWs surged to a quick two goal lead, only for mistakes to gift Old Silhillians back into the match. In a scrappy second half, OWs kept their composure to make it a hat trick of Strover Shield wins, with OW goals from Max Jennings (2), Rob Pomfret, George Toms, John MacDonald and Tim Brown.

OW Cross Country

As we go to press we wish our OW team the best of luck in the Thames Hare and Hounds Cross Country Race over Wimbledon Common. See www.oldwarwickians.org and the next Old Warwickian for news on how they got on.

Warwick School hockey past and present



1977 OWs vs 1st XI, with referee John Strover.



Warwick School hockey, 2012.



2015 Muhammad Irfan visit.

With thanks to Hon Sec Julian Marcus.



Back: Chris Hart, Malcolm Eykyn, Chris Aldridge, Brian Woodham, Richard Simmons, Jon Gregory, Andy Dunnell, Malcolm Lines and Duncan Rotherham. Front: Dave Phillips, John Sheffield, Peter Gedge, Peter Baird (Capt), Julian Marcus (Hon Sec), Tim Shenton-Taylor, Chris Kaye and Budd Abbott.



James Cumberland (capt), Phil James, Peter Gordon, Tim James, Matt Hicks and Steve Tubb.

Autumn Meeting

18 September 2015

Following the excellent Autumn Golf Day in 2014, we returned to Kenilworth GC and were delighted with a course in great condition and superb hospitality, catering and customer service.

After bacon sandwiches and coffee, we began with 18 holes in the morning foursomes. 12 players made for 6 teams and three 4-balls battled for the coveted OW Tankards. We welcomed Chris Aldridge on his first outing with the Golf Society.

Seven additional OWs joined us for lunch and we welcomed another society debutant – Clive Boast – hopefully the first of his many golf days with us. The afternoon individual round for the OW Salver was keenly contested by 19 players. Some were well satisfied while others felt too many shots had gone begging.

The weather tried to dampen spirits with a couple of fine showers, but it only helped to slow down the spritely greens, which helped most of us.

OW Tankards

Edinburgh foursomes golf over 18 holes (stableford).

Winners, receiving two new golf balls each: Jon Gregory and Malcolm Lines on 39 pts.

Runners up, Richard Simmons and Andy Dunnell on 38 pts.

OW Salver

An individual stableford played off 7/8 handicap.

Winner, Julian Marcus on 36 pts.

Second, Jon Gregory on 35 pts.

Third, Brian Woodham on 34 pts (winning on back 9).

Golfer of the Year 2015

A combination of individual points made in both individual rounds at Tadmarton and Kenilworth Golf Days.

Winner, Brian Woodham on 68 pts.

Second, Duncan Rotherham on 64 pts.

Third, Andy Dunnell on 58 pts (last 18).

Fourth, Mike Barnwell on 58 pts.

Chris Hart provided admirable entertainment off the first tee in the morning when taking a 3 wood for safety, he drove the ball into the tee just in front of the tee peg. The ball popped up and was caught casually by Chris on his follow through – a truly talented performance. Professional trick golfer Noel Hunt needs to watch out!

50th Anniversary OW Golf Day

Tadmarton Heath Golf Club – Tuesday 17 May 2016

Please support the 50th Anniversary Golf Day. Tadmarton is a fantastic course and we are always made to feel so welcome there.

Grafton Morrish Finals

25-26 September 2015

With thanks to James Cumberland for captaining the team.

It was reported in the previous Old Warwickian that our OW golfers had narrowly failed to qualify for the Grafton Morrish Finals. However, on the 30th anniversary of the OWs' victory in the competition, we were granted an 11th hour reprieve just a week before the event, as the organisers sought a replacement for Fettes, who were unable to raise a team.

With amazing support a team was assembled at short notice. Stand-in captain James Cumberland and Steve Tubb led off the team, with Tim James and Matt Hicks as second string and Phil James and Peter Gordon the anchor pair.

The 2015 trip to the Norfolk coast was particularly notable for Tim, Phil and Peter who all played in the winning side of 1985. Sadly, this time, we were unable to replicate their past success. Phil and Peter's opponents were round in level par to win 5 and 4 and in a match which was close all the way, James and Steve held on for a half which left our fate in the hands of Tim and Matt. Ahead early, they fell behind as Stamford made a hat-trick of birdies from the 6th and, despite fighting back, they too were only able to manage a half, leaving Stamford as 2-1 winners.

Returning to Hunstanton on Saturday, the team set out to contest the Solihull Salver stableford competition, for 1st and 2nd round losers, playing with Merchant Taylors' and King's Taunton. A pair of birdies on Brancaster's tricky par 3s following some sparkling iron play by Steve helped him and James to 29 points. After a slow start on the front nine, Tim and Matt rallied to 22 points, whilst Phil and Peter played very steadily to record 30 points. Our total of 81 points placed us joint 11th.

The Grafton Morrish is a most special competition and with talk of a "taskforce" meeting over the winter to discuss our somewhat disappointing recent form, we very much hope to be able to report some more successful results in 2016.

OW Rugby

With thanks to Gerard Rhodes and Joe Blake.



OWs back: Alastair Harryman, Joe Blake, Ollie Matthews, Jake Byrne, Fergus Smithers, Karl Nielsen, Noah Thorne and Phil Lucas. Front: Gus Gillespie, Josh Fox, Henry Stride, Matt Riley, Stephen Ho, Bryn Grantham and Gerard Rhodes.



Back: Josh Hickman, Harry Salisbury (non-OW), Josh Fox, Noah Thorne, Tom Howard, Edward Hughes, Joel Othen-Lawson, Devon Berrington, Nicholas Chesher, Willie Priestley, Harry Abell and Gus Gillespie. Front: Carrick Waldron, Matt Riley, Henry Stride, Bryn Grantham, Gerard Rhodes, Tommy Jones, Sam Ackers, Kiron Phillips and Tom Johnston-Smith. Lying front: Gareth Horrocks and Saul Ashgar.

Old Warwickians vs. Old Silhillians

Old Warwickians just lost out to Old Silhillians 14-7 in the 2015 annual fixture.

Although the boys conceded two early tries after a period of relentless Solihull pressure, they persevered and came back to dominate the game.

Unfortunately OW pressure was rarely converted into points and it was not until the last quarter that Matt Riley had a try disallowed and Bryn Grantham later crashed over to finally put points on the board.

Credit is due to Old Silhillians for taking their chances, and also to those OWs who played so well out of position due to the small size squad.

Many thanks to Joe Blake for putting a team together and leading the squad on the day.

OWs eagerly await this year's rematch!



Please like 'Old Warwickians Rugby' on Facebook and follow @OWsRugby on Twitter to keep up with the latest OW Rugby news.

National under 21s Rugby Festival

A strong squad of 21 OWs travelled down to Richmond in terrible weather conditions on August Bank Holiday Monday for the Cronk-Cunis national under 21 XV's rugby festival.

A no-show forced the boys to take on an extremely quick Wellington Old Boys side at 10s. This was shortly followed by a tough, close-run encounter with a sizable pack from Monmouth.

Tries from Bryn Grantham and Tommy Jones were not enough to overcome the well-drilled Wellington opposition, and a skilled yet makeshift front-row struggled against heavier forwards later on.

Despite this, Henry Stride distributed the ball he received well at 10 and Josh Fox stood out in the forwards, tackling hard against opposition three years his senior.

The day may have been something of a wash-out in terms of conditions, but OWs will be back later this year with a new squad and hopes to build on last year's efforts.

Many thanks to OW Gareth Horrocks who kindly sponsored our tournament kit with his new 'Fair Office' app and to Gerard Rhodes for his initiative and organisation.



Booking Form



Event Booking Form

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OWA President's Dinner

The Garrick Club
Friday 6 May 2016.

- I would like to book _____ ticket(s) at £90 each.
- I enclose a cheque for £_____.
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Name of guest _____

I am interested in booking _____ tickets on the minibus/coach (available subject to demand).

For the President's Dinner, this booking form must be returned by Weds 6 April.

Please make cheques payable to **Warwick School Enterprises Ltd** or **WSEL**.

Please detail below any special needs, seating preferences and/or dietary requirements.

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Tickets are for named individuals only. Should you wish to cancel your ticket for an event, in order to be fair to those on the waiting list, we ask that you 'return' your ticket to the Alumni Office for reallocation. Tickets will be refunded as long as we are able to reallocate them.

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Warwick School rugby shirts



Sachin Sudhakaran and Harry Hunt model the shirts.

Remaining stock of old (but new) Warwick School rugby shirts are on sale. Originally £40, the shirts are being sold at £15 each, plus £5 post and packing.

As there are different sizes

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From the archives

110 years ago



H S Pyne and the staff, 1906.

90 years ago



1st XI, 1926.

70 years ago



A H B Bishop and Prefects, 1946.

Front cover images.

Top: Members of School House from 1967 in 2015 – John Cresswell, Guy Hallifax, Charles Miller, Keith Thomas, John Davidson, Peter Ling, Julian Johnston, John Jolleys and John Sharrard.

Middle: Members of School House in 1967. Back: Martin Wassell, Richard Rendall, Keith Thomas, John Cresswell, Julian Johnston, Peter Ling, John Jolleys and John Sharrard. Centre (top to bottom): Mike Barnwell and John Davidson. Not showing: Charles Miller.

Bottom: Former WS staff and England Rugby Coach Martin Green with the RWC Trophy.