



The Old Warwickian

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Mid-1960s, 1996 and 2006 leavers' anniversary reunions to be held on 25 June

OWs in the Armed Forces welcomed back for biennial dinner

OWA President's Dinner at The Garrick Club sells out



Recent Events

OW Armed Forces Dinner

16 January 2016

Warwick School is very proud of the many Old Warwickians who are serving or who have served in the Armed Forces. Some 38 OWs are currently serving in the Forces, spread across a wide range of services and regiments in the UK and overseas, including the Royal Fleet Auxiliary, Royal Navy, Royal Marines, Royal Army Medical Corps, Royal Regiment of Artillery, Army Air Corps, Royal Signals, Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers and the Royal Air Force.

Col Jules Buczacki (WS 1981-92) was delighted to host the fifth OW Armed Forces Dinner at School on 16 January. He was joined by Head Master Gus Lock and many OWs currently and formerly serving. The evening began with a Chapel Service, led by Revd Andrew Gough. Drinks and a four course dinner were enjoyed in the Pyne Room (formerly Big School or the library for many). During the speeches, absent OWs and former members of the CCF staff were fondly remembered, including Contingent Commander Lt Col Derek Shield, who recently retired, and Humphrey Collis, who died in November.



Col Jules and Dr Jo Buczacki.



Lt Alex Wollaston, Capt Tom Owen and Dr Becky Ferriman.



Dr Matthew Boulter, Lt Chris Sunner and Lt Col Keith Davenport CCF.



Drinks before the Armed Forces Dinner.

Recent Events

OW Armed Forces Dinner



Capt Richard and Angela Greenway.



Maj Gen Mike Huntley CB and Lt Col David Summers.



Naomi Alesbury, Kirsty White and Maj Sam White.



Rachel McCarron, Maj Chris Hill and Lt Col Jim McLaren OBE.



Lt Col (Retd) Roy Dixon, Ed Flint and Brig Mark Banham MBE.



Ruth and Capt Peter Selby.

Big Hand – OW and OG Drama Society

4 March 2016

Big Hand, the new OW and OG Drama Society, was launched by Warwick and King's High Drama departments in the Bridge House Theatre on 4 March.

The Society is especially 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.

The launch took place before and after a performance of *Gargantua* – our 2016 entry for the National Theatre Connections 500 Festival. *Gargantua* told the hugely comic story of a 200ft baby and the damage caused as he is both admired by fanatics but hunted by the military seeking the ultimate weapon.

Any OWs who would like to be a part of or kept informed about Big Hand should email Mike Perry on m.perry@warwick.school.org.



Lotti Gregory and Trystan Macdonald.



Andrew Rapley and Mike Perry.



Charlie Hain, Greg Musson, Jess Hain and Hannah Jallouli-White.



Bailey Fear, Barney McElholm and Yolanda Vazquez.

Forthcoming Events

1996 & 2006 Leavers' Anniversary Reunions

Saturday 25 June 2016

1996 and 2006 leavers are warmly invited back to Warwick School for informal twenty and ten year 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. There will be a cash bar. A number of current and former members of staff have already indicated they would like to come. Late homework will not be accepted.

Please book on www.oldwarwickians.org so we can gauge numbers for catering purposes.

King's High are organising 1996 and 2006 leavers' reunions on the same day, from 14:00 onwards in the New Bowling Green.

1996 Leavers



2006 Leavers



OWA President's Dinner

The Garrick Club – Friday 6 May 2016

Tickets for the 2016 President's Dinner at The Garrick Club in central London sold out very quickly. 100 OWs are booked to attend the dinner, hosted by Dr Nigel Brown OBE (WS 1957-64) in a venue which holds 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 in the Coffee Room.
22:30 Carriages.

Dress

Black tie.



The Garrick Club.

Careers Networking Evening

Thursday 30 June 2016, London

OWs working in London are invited to attend our inaugural careers networking evening on Thursday 30 June at 17:00. The event, kindly hosted by Martin Samworth (WS 1972-78) at the CBRE offices near Oxford Circus, aims to bring together OWs and pupils to meet one another and to share careers advice. Approximately 30 Sixth Form pupils will be attending the event and we look forward to seeing many OWs there too. For further information and to register your interest visit www.oldwarwickians.org and click on 'Book an event'.

Chapel Services – Summer 2016

17 Apr 10:00 Beginning of term Service
24 Apr 10:00 Songs of Praise family service
15 May 10:00 Upper Sixth Sunday
12 June 10:00 Lower Fourth Sunday
26 June 10:00 Foundation Sunday

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

OWA President's Dinner
The Garrick Club
Fri 6 May, 19:00.

OW Golf Spring Meeting
Tadmarton Heath Golf Club
Tues 17 May, 08:00.

The Cricketer Trophy
Preliminary round,
OWs vs. Old Reigatians
Warwick School
Sun 5 June, 11:30.

School vs. OW Golf
Venue tbc
Fri 24 June.

OW Coffee Morning,
The Pyne Room, Warwick School,
Sat 23 Apr, 10-11:30. No need
to book, just turn up for coffee,
bacon butties and a chat. Wives,
partners and friends welcome.

Anniversary reunions
Warwick School, Sat 25 June
1996 Leavers' 20 year reunion
12:00-14:00.
2006 Leavers' 10 year reunion
12:00-14:00.
Mid-1960s reunion
11:00-16:00.

School vs. OW Cricket
Warwick School
Sat 25 June, 11:00.

Careers Networking Drinks
CBRE Offices, London
Thurs 30 June, 17:00.

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

Mid-1960s Reunion

Saturday 25 June



1966 Assembly.

OWs who left fifty years ago (or thereabouts!) are warmly invited back to School on Saturday 25 June. Although this gathering was initially aimed at those who left between 1964 and 1967, other OWs and members of staff from the 1960s would be most welcome. Wives and partners are also welcome.

Plan for the day

11:00	Welcome tea/coffee in the Pyne Room (Big School)
11:30	Chapel
12:00	Drinks in the Pyne Room
12:30-14:00	Self-service buffet lunch in the Pyne Room
Afternoon	Chance to watch the annual School vs. OWs cricket match. There will be a cash bar in the Halse Pavilion. Optional tour of the school.
15:00	Tea and cake.

Dress

Smart casual.

Tickets

£16 to include tea/coffee on arrival, pre-lunch drinks, a two-course lunch with a glass of wine and tea and cake.

Please book your ticket (s) online at www.oldwarwickians.org or send a cheque, made payable to Warwick School Enterprises Ltd to Alumni Relations, Warwick School, Warwick CV34 6PP. Booking deadline: Monday 6 June.

Warwick School for your event

Warwick School has invested significantly in new facilities, making it a fantastic and very versatile venue for events, meetings, exhibitions, conferences, weddings and dinners. Old Warwickians are warmly invited to use the School for family, leisure and/or business events.

Our new website, www.wsvvenuesandevents.org highlights many opportunities to use the different venues and spaces when they are not being used by School.

Please contact Richard Howdle, our Commercial Events Manager on 01926 735410, r.howdle@warwick.school.org, if you would like more information, need help in organising an event, or have any contacts who may be interested in using Warwick School as a venue for an event.



Inside the Halse Pavilion.



The Halse Pavilion.



The Bridge House Theatre.



The Pyne Room, formerly Big School and the library.

School News

Warwick School continually offers boys a colourful, challenging and varied school life, helping them reach their full potential.

From swimming to fencing, and hockey to rugby, students continue to enjoy great sporting achievements and success.

Art, Drama and Music also continue to flourish and we look forward to many of our bands playing in the National Concert Band Festival Finals over the Easter holidays. The Lent term was crowned with 'A Night at the Opera' gala concert at Warwick Arts Centre – a fantastic evening of musical delights, showcasing the talents of pupils from Warwick, King's High and Warwick Prep.

We approach the summer term with exams on the horizon. Intense competition hasn't stopped many U6 boys from receiving a sweep of offers from good universities, including eight boys who have offers from Oxford and Cambridge.



Boys with Oxbridge offers.



Tubas galore!



The National Concert Band Festival.



The Art Dept's Exhibition of Young Artists.

The West Window

Warwick School's World War I memorial was dedicated on Armistice Day, 11 November, 1925. The memorial is in two parts – firstly the gallery and vestry (with the names of the 90 OWs and masters who gave their lives in the war), and secondly, the west window. The west window was the gift of Headmaster H S Pyne and his wife, in memory of their son, OW Eric Wilfred Pyne, who was killed in the war in 1917 when his boat was torpedoed off the coast of Italy.

Francis Howard Spear (1902 – 79) became an important designer of stained glass windows, and the west window of Warwick School chapel is his first major work. It is, in fact, his Associateship Diploma piece from the Royal School of Art in Kensington, designed when he was an unknown 22 year old.

The School is immensely fortunate to have been gifted Spear's original watercolour designs by his son Simon. The designs will be hung in the staircase leading up to the balcony.

School Archivist Gervald Frykman gave an illustrated talk on the windows in Chapel in January. Spear's two sons, Simon and John, made the journey to hear the talk and were delighted to see their father's earliest major work for the first time.



The west window.



John Spear and Gervald Frykman.



Spear's designs for the Vestry windows.

School News

Rugby news

The week beginning 8 February witnessed three tense and closely contested matches, resulting in Warwick School's U15 and U18 teams going through to the NatWest Cup semi-finals, and the U13 team going through to the finals of the School Sports Magazine national cup.

The NatWest Cup

Warwick School has an outstanding record in the NatWest Cup. The U15 team has appeared at the Twickenham finals for the last three consecutive years, winning the title in 2013 and 2014. The U18 team reached the finals in 2014, finishing runners up.

The U18 team played this year's semi-final vs. QEGS Wakefield on 27 February but sadly their tournament journey ended with a 21-12 loss.

It was a terrific achievement for the U15 team to reach the semi-final stages again. Sadly, old rivals Wellington College overcame them 7-3 in a hard fought and exciting tussle.



The U15 celebrate after their quarter-final win.



U18 quarter-final, Will Roberts and Jordan Ainslie.

National Schools U13 Rugby Union Cup

The U13 team played in this year's final vs. Trinity School Croydon on 2 March. As 2015 champions they had hoped to retain their title, but narrowly lost 15-12 after a terrific comeback from Trinity.

The Warwick Hall

The project to replace the Guy Nelson Hall is going well; imposing glass panels have now been installed and work has begun on the interior of the new Warwick Hall. The final stages of construction will involve the installation of acoustic panels and retractable seating, making Warwick Hall one of the finest concert halls in the region.

Warwick School pupils have been creating a digital time capsule which will be placed in the new hall, to be opened by pupils in 2116, giving a snapshot of life in 2016.

We are grateful to many OWs, parents and friends for generously supporting the Warwick Hall campaign. The first stone on the Warwick Walkway has been created in recognition of OW presenter and magician Ben Hanlin (WS 1999-2004), who has supported the campaign in many ways, especially by helping to create the campaign publicity.

The Warwick Hall will be completed this summer and we plan an official opening in the new academic year. The finished building will sit strikingly alongside the main school and will play a central role in school life for many years to come.

Future OW events and reunions will give OWs the opportunity to enjoy this amazing venue.



View from the Thornton attic.



The new stones for the Warwick Walkway.

Warwick School Connect

Watch out for Warwick School Connect, a new online professional network exclusively for Old Warwickians. By signing in through LinkedIn or Facebook, OWs will be able to connect, support and network professionally. The network will go live this summer and all OWs will be invited to connect.

In memory of Grahame Ward, WS Staff 1980-2008

Kritt Normsaskul (WS 2000-07) took part in the London 10k Winter Run in January to raise money for Cancer Research and in memory of Grahame Ward.

Kritt says "For 29 years, Grahame was a hugely popular art teacher and senior boarding housemaster at Warwick who inspired, and cared most greatly, for the many who were lucky to be taken under his wings. He was a talented artist who drew, painted and inspired us to fulfil our potential, and who showed us that hard work really does pay off.

In the Boarding House, Grahame was a father figure to generations of boarders who came from all corners of the world to study at Warwick. In the seven years I boarded, his warm and welcoming personality made the boarding house a home away from home. He was there to talk to when things got tough. He was supportive and encouraging of my ambitions. His sense of fun, humour and tireless work around the boarding house, even beyond school hours, was an inspiration to us all.

I will never forget those happy moments when we performed a comedy sketch on stage in front of hundreds of boys and teachers at the annual boarding house entertainments evening. Or when he hid my shoes from me as I got ready to leave the exam room following an A Level exam paper.

After leaving Warwick, I still carry with me, and hold dearly, the values Grahame has taught me. Without Grahame, I would not have achieved what I have gone on to achieve. I would not be the person I am today."

Congratulations to Kritt for both completing the run and raising £210. Kritt is pictured with good friend and fellow OW James Mower, who braved the cold and lent his support on the day. If you would like to contribute to Kritt's fundraising, there is still time. www.justgiving.com/Kritt-Normsaskul-1028962.



Grahame Ward.



Kritt's medal.



Kritt Normsaskul and James Mower.

Thank you

Thanks to OWs who have recently returned to School to support the Careers Department by speaking at Business Lunches for the boys.



Angus Firth and WS boys.

Angus Firth (WS 2004-15) spoke at a Business Lunch about the YINI scheme (paid Gap Year before University). Angus is working at Cambridge Design Partnership, an engineering consultancy which specialises in medical devices and consumer products. Angus will travel to Tanzania with Raleigh International once his contract ends.



Martin Carr.

Martin Carr (WS 1986-90) gave an inspiring talk about 'A life less ordinary – a job in film and TV'. Martin shared with the boys many insights into writing, producing and pursuing a career in film and television.



Charles Flower with some of our students.

Charles Flower (WS 1973-80) drew on his wealth of experience with Deutsche Bank to talk to boys about finance, banking and the importance of building your personal brand.

Poems recorded

Anthony Josolyne (WS 1947-53), was thrilled to record fifty of his varied poems, kindly arranged by his son and daughter-in-law to mark his eightieth birthday.

In the period of his life spent as a lecturer, Tony discovered that pages of well-written, Electronics homework were not necessarily accurate, nor even relevant to the set topic...

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*You must have worked on this
all night,*

*Your presentation I can't fault,
The clarity with which you write*

*Is more than I could wish,
I must concede, it's good to
read,
It's lucid... but it's rubbish.*



Nick Underwood, Joannah Tincey and Tony Josolyne.

Marathon men

Good luck to all those running in this year's London Marathon on 24 April.

Dave Phillips (WS 1955-61) will be running again for the Brain and Spine Foundation Charity, where Team Phillips hope to raise £10,000. This will be Dave's 465th marathon. With the help of Team Phillips, he has raised £86,000 for the charity. Dave would like to thank OWs for their terrific support to date. If anyone would like to sponsor him this year, please visit <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/phillips2016>.



David Phillips.

Work experience

Thanks to Jake Wombwell-Povey (WS 1999-2006) who offered work experience to Warwick School student Kenton Chen during February half term. Jake has just launched his own business, the first investment platform to bring savings and investment products to the peer to peer (P2P) lending markets. www.gojip2p.com



Jake Wombwell-Povey and Kenton Chen.

Art and architecture

Members of Warwick School's Art Dept were delighted to welcome back Andrew Emmerson (WS 1985-96) who spoke to boys from the Sixth Form about architecture and the creative arts. Andrew, who lives and works in Canada, had returned to the UK as a special birthday surprise for his father Brian (WS Staff 1967-2006).



Brian and Andrew Emmerson with Art Master David Snatt and members of the Art Dept.

Innovative Award

Kelvin Kirby (WS 1969-79), CEO of Technology Associates Ltd, was delighted on behalf of his team to receive the Most Innovative Project Management Consultancy Award in the recent Technology Innovator Awards programme.



Kelvin Kirby.

James TW releases debut single and video

James TW (WS 2005-15) has signed to Island Records and released his debut single and video 'When You Love Someone'.

James opened for Shawn Mendes at his sold-out headlining concert at the legendary Radio City Music Hall in New York City on 5 March.

In addition to his original song 'Black and Blue', James rose to prominence when his cover of Natalie Imbruglia's 'Torn' dominated the Spotify Global Viral chart, reaching Top 10 with over one million streams. www.jamestw.com



In February James returned to school and recorded some of our Lower Fourth's singing a couple of lines from his new song, for his EP.



Director of Music at Warwick, Simon Hogg (right), and his wife Sue, recently met up with James in LA.

Award congratulations

Congratulations to nine OWs who have recently received their gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award.

2015 OWA President Michael Harwood (WS 1956-61), has been awarded the British Empire Medal for services to Warwick and the community.

Gerard Tyrell (WS 1968-75) was advanced by HM the Queen to Commander of the Royal Victorian Order in the New Year Honours.

An evening at the races

OW amateur jockey Tommy Williams, brings news of an exciting new event being held at Warwick Racecourse. The Proudly Warwick Twilight Meeting, on 7 May, highlights everything that is great about Warwick. Individual admission and packages available. If you would like to book tickets, please call the racecourse stating that you're an Old Warwickian to receive further discounts. <http://warwick.thejockeyclub.co.uk/events-tickets>.

Rugby refereeing

John Meredith (WS 1989-2000) is a rugby referee within the Professional Games Match Officials Team and regularly referees in the Greene King IPA Championship as well as being assistant referee and reserve referee at Aviva Premiership matches. One of John's highlights was being appointed as reserve official at the World Cup match last October at St James' Park in the pool match between South Africa and Scotland.

John was also 5th official (reserve touch judge) at Twickenham on 27 February at the England vs. Ireland international.



Alexandre Ruiz (France), Nigel Owens (Wales), Romain Poite (France) and John Meredith (England) after England vs. Ireland at Twickenham on 27 February.

John had to give up rugby while at Durham University due to a neck injury. Sponsored by The Durham Society of referees, he took up refereeing to keep his involvement with the game. His refereeing has taken him all around the world, to Italy, Japan, Russia (where he refereed the Russian Premiership Final in Siberia), South Africa and France, where he has been assistant referee in the 2016 U20 Six Nations.

Real tennis champions

Freddie Dixon (WS 1993-2007) and Chris Kroeger (WS 1998-2007) were victorious in Leamington Real Tennis Club's prestigious open handicap doubles tournament featuring several OWs (Chris French, Norman Hyde, Alex Hyde, James Blackburn, Tom Seymour-Mead and Guy Stanton). The 64 strong field was the largest open doubles tournament in the country. The winning pair have been a double act since first representing the School in 2003 at the national interschools competition.



Freddie Dixon and Chris Kroeger.

Welcome back

We are always glad to welcome OWs back to School.



Ed Holmes (WS 1988-99).



Seung Bin Kim (Frank), WS 2006-07.

OW Coffee Mornings



Mike Beeston, Anthony Gibbs, Mike Spurgeon, Barrie Noble and OWA Chairman Jim Button at the Lent Coffee Morning.

The OW Coffee Mornings, held once a term in the Pyne Room, offer a relaxed opportunity to meet with old friends on a Saturday morning. Hot coffee and bacon butties are also appreciated. The next Coffee Morning is Sat 23 Apr, 10-11:30. No need to book.

Bon retour

Joseph Nellany (WS 2008-12) returned to France to his first ever rugby club, when he studied at Lille University as part of the Erasmus Programme. Joseph rejoined Arras Rugby Club, where he had played from the age of 8 to 14.

OW Sport

OW Cross Country

217 alumni runners from schools across the country competed in the 63rd Thames Hare and Hounds Alumni Race over Wimbledon Common in December. A team of ten OWs from different decades tackled the tough, muddy and steep five mile cross country course. They included Jack Thornton (WS 1951-58), one of the most senior runners in the race, Dave Phillips (WS 1955-61), who had run over 462 full marathons, and James Mower (WS 2000-2007), one of our younger leavers who has recently taken up running.

Dave Lindsay (WS 1974-85) gathered a group of 1985 leavers to compete together and huge congratulations to Simon Wurr (WS 1988-95), who finished fourth overall.

If you'd like to join the OW team in 2016 (unlimited numbers of any age can compete) please register your interest by emailing Anne Douglas, a.douglas@warwickschool.org. The anticipated date for the race is Saturday 12 December.



1985 leavers.



Jack Thornton, Dave Briffitt, Martin Garrett, Dave Lindsay, Geoff Webb, Dave Porter, Phil Stonehewer, Dave Phillips and Simon Wurr. Not pictured: James Mower.



Dave Phillips.



Jack Thornton.



Geoff Webb.



James Mower.



Dave Porter.



Phil Stonehewer.

OW Cricket

The following OW cricket matches are scheduled this summer:

OW 1st XI vs. Old Reigatians
Preliminary round
The Cricketer Trophy,
Warwick School.
Sunday 5 June, 11:30.

OWs vs. School
Sat 25 June, 11:00.



Tommy Williams.

OW Golf

50th Anniversary Spring Golf Day – Tues 17 May

Join other golfers at the Spring OW Golf Meeting at Tadmarton Heath Golf Club.

The day will follow the usual format of Edinburgh foursomes in the morning and an individual stableford in the afternoon, to allow members who only wish to play 18 holes the chance to participate in the afternoon. Meet at 08:00 for coffee and 36 holes, or 12:15 for lunch and 18 holes.

The charge will be £70 for 36 holes or £60 for 18 holes (includes lunch, 3 course dinner, green fees and prizes).

Please contact Julian Marcus (arkvets@hotmail.com) if you would like to play. Five days' notice is required for final numbers.

Good luck to our OW golfers playing in the Grafton Morrish Qualifying Round at Olton in May!

OW Rugby

Sat 10 Sept 2016

This year's encounter between Old Warwickians and Old Silhillians is scheduled for Saturday 10 September at 12:30 at Warwick School.

If you would like to play, please contact Joe Blake: blakeyj@hotmail.co.uk.



OWs vs Old Sils rugby.

OW Hockey

Sat 10 Sept 2016

The 2016 contest for The Strover Shield, between Old Warwickians and Old Silhillians, is scheduled for Saturday 10 September at 13:00 at Warwick School.

If you're interested in playing OW hockey, please contact Rob Pomfret: rjp503@googlemail.com.



The 2014 OW hockey team.

Warwick School Archives

Although he retired from teaching Chemistry at Warwick last summer, Gervald Frykman still retains strong links in his role as School Archivist. Gervald is gradually transforming the Museum and Thornton attic as he sorts and catalogues the amazing range of archives the School has gathered over the years.

Many archive photographs have now been scanned and we include here a range of images from different decades that are now stored digitally. If you have any photos from your days at Warwick School,

formal or informal, that we could add to the archives, please email them to: alumni@warwickschool.org or post them to Gervald Frykman, Warwick School, Warwick CV34 6PP. If posted, we will scan and send them back by return (don't forget to include a return address!). Similarly, if you have any items you would consider donating to the archives, please let us know. Warwick School photos and memorabilia are always very gratefully received.



1920 Swimming pool.



1925 Cosserat & Kennedy, sports day.



1924 F Fletcher.



1924 Strensall Camp.



1924 Camp.



Jessop II, Megginson II, Megginson III.



1925 Tidworth Park Camp.



1925 Parade in rain at Tidworth Park.



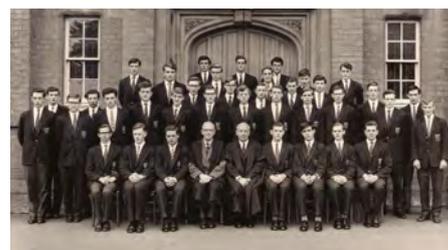
1925 King's School Warwick OTC Band.



1923 Running VIII.



1956-57 LIVA with Ralph Thornton.



1962-63 Prefects.

Front cover images.

- 1990s Sports Day.
- Maj Chris Hill and Lt Col Jim McLaren OBE at the OW Armed Forces Dinner.
- 1900 Playing field.