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Reunion announced
for **boarders** from
the **1970s to 1990s**

New OW **online**
networking
platform launched

OWs who died
in the **Somme**
remembered 100
years on.



Recent Events

1996 Leavers' Twenty Year Reunion

Saturday 25 June 2016

1996 leavers returned to Warwick School on 25 June for an informal twenty year anniversary reunion.

OWs gathered with a number of current and former staff and enjoyed Pimms and lunch in the Halse Pavilion, followed by a tour of the school with prefects.



Nikolaus Dammermann, Daniel Balmer and James Ballinger.



John Grundy, Peter Kerr and Andy Bolt.



Brian Emmerson, Martin Green, Derek Shield and Chris McNee.



John Grundy, Aleks Stanojevic, Stuart Munton and Jeremy Noon.



Peter Kerr, Brian Emmerson, James Ballinger, Daniel Balmer, Andrew Guthrie and John Grundy.



Andrew Guthrie, Martin Green, David Skinner, Daniel Balmer, Nick Rupra, Stuart Munton, Aleks Stanojevic, Peter Kerr, Tom Shattock, Jeremy Noon, James Ballinger, John Grundy, Nikolaus Dammerman, Andy Bolt and James Copeland.

Mid 1960s Leavers' Reunion

Saturday 25 June 2016

Saturday 25 June was a busy day for reunions. OWs from the mid-1960s were welcomed back to school for a reunion marking fifty years (or thereabouts) since leaving. For some, it was their first visit back to school.

A relaxed day began with coffee in the Pyne Room (Big School) and was followed by a Chapel Service. After lunch, prefects escorted OWs on a tour of the school grounds. While much has changed in fifty years, much is still familiar and the day evoked many fond memories and tales of mischief and misdemeanours.

The day finished with tea and cake in the Halse Pavilion and a chance to watch the school 1st XI vs. OWs cricket match.



Susanna Johnston, John Jolleys, Kevin O'Gorman, Julian Johnston, Charles Miller, Keith Thomas, Linda Thomas and Sonia Hollingshead.



Martin and Brian Newman.



Jeremy Hunt, Christopher Ward, Tom Payne and Greville Norman.



Nigel Robinson, Tony Sparks and Jerry Birkbeck.



Geoff Kerrison and Peter Varnish OBE.



Guy Chamberlain and Clive Boast.



Lance Fogg and Marion Taylor.



Martin Henderson and Hugh Anton-Stephens.



OWA President Dr Nigel Brown OBE.



Peter and Guy Chamberlain and Nigel Robinson.



Richard Foster and Richard Sykes.



Robina and David Phillips.



Stuart Hancox, Donald Funnell and Nigel Brown.



David Payne and John Jolleys.

2006 Leavers' Ten Year Reunion

Saturday 25 June 2016

2006 leavers returned to school in the summer for their first anniversary reunion, marking ten years since leaving Warwick.



Alex Wollaston, Chris McNee and Anthony Baxter.



Louise Haines and Corbyn Wells.



David Talbot, Phil Darby, Richard Wilson, Chris Long and Andrew Norton.



Charlotte Sandford and Alex Hyde.



Christopher Meek and Sam Sharp.



Derek Shield, Brian Emmerson and Amit Bir.



David Talbot, Will Ward-Jones, Ben Sleath, Phil Darby, Luke Streeter, Andrew Norton, Jake Wombwell-Povey, Alistair Leonard, Geoff Tedstone, Chris Long, Brian Emmerson and Derek Shield.



Edward Warrillow and Julia Skupchenko.



Gervald Frykman and Thomas Hiorns.



OWs – Chris Meek, Edward Warrillow, Corbyn Wells, Tom Owen, James Payne, Alistair Leonard, Will, Luke Streeter, Charlie Hayes, Ben Sleath, Alex Hyde, Sam Sharp, Andrew Scott, Alex Wollaston, Richard Wilson, Jake Wombwell-Povey, Andrew Norton, Amit Bir, Tom Hiorns, Sam James, Chris Long, David Talbot, Phil Darby and Will Ward-Jones.



Sam James, Will, James Payne and Luke Streeter.

OWA President's Dinner

Friday 6 May 2016 – The Garrick Club

The Garrick Club was an amazing venue for Nigel Brown's President's Dinner.

Surrounded by one of the largest and most comprehensive collections of theatrical paintings and drawings in the world, OWs enjoyed fine English champagne in the Morning Room, followed by an exquisite four course dinner in the Coffee Room which included warm Grand Marnier soufflés with marmalade ice cream! The champagne and wines, carefully selected by the President, were greatly appreciated.

The Hon Sir David Foscett (WS 1956-67) rose to the challenge of a Latin grace. Norman Hyde (WS 1956-63) delivered a respectful and amusing loyal toast. Guest speaker Geoffrey Wansell, historian of The Garrick, gave some anecdotes about the Club. Head Master Gus Lock rounded off the evening with a succinct, witty and, at times, moving update on Warwick School today and a toast to the Old Warwickian Association.

The President was an excellent host and huge thanks are due to him for organising and hosting a splendid dinner. A number of OWs were attending the dinner for the first time and it was wonderful to see so many OWs from different decades gathered together, enjoying good food and wine and great company.



Carol and Geoff Lane, Val Eykyn, Phil and David Derbyshire and Malcolm Eykyn.



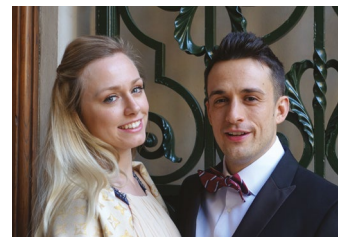
Nigel Brown OBE, Dave and Robina Phillips, Jane and Jonathan Meredith.



The coach party!



Julian and Rupert Griffiths.



Lara Olley and Chris Buckler.



Mike and Alison Stephens.



Nicky Button and Gayna Marcus.



Chris Willford and Chris Guyver.



Clair Townsend and James Frampton.



Geoff and Gill Thorpe.



Ian and John Macdonald.



Mike Harwood BEM and Diana Coleman.



Kathleen Phillips MBE and Nicholas Whiting.

Forthcoming Events

1970s to 1990s Boarding House Reunion

Sat 22 July 2017 – save the date

All those who boarded at Warwick School from the 1970s to the end of the 1990s are invited back to school on Saturday 22 July 2017 for a very special Boarding House Reunion.

Do you remember...

- Mr Usherwood's early morning outdoor swims
- Junior House bedtime stories
- Whole year pillow fights and apple pie beds
- Games of pirates in the new gym
- Football aka murderball after evening prep
- Tuck boxes and table tennis with biscuit tin lids.

Return to Warwick School on 22 July 2017 to meet up with fellow boarders from your time at school, see the boarding houses today, chat with former boarding house staff and enjoy dinner and some light entertainment in the Pyne Room (formerly Big School and the library).

You can even stay over in the boarding house – 60 beds are available for bed and breakfast in a mix of single, twin and triple rooms.

The reunion is intended to be relaxed and informal. The following plan is subject to change as we are open to suggestions and ideas for what else could be included to make the event extra special.

16:00-17:30	Welcome and afternoon tea in the Halse Pavilion with former boarding house staff
17:30-18:30	Boarding house and school tour
18:30-19:00	Check-in for those staying overnight
18:30-20:00	Bar open (under the Limes or in the Panel Room depending on the weather)
20:00	Dinner in the Pyne Room followed by speeches /light entertainment. There will be a late bar.

Due to limited space in the Pyne Room the reunion is for OWs and staff from the 1970s-90s only ie. no partners.



1974-5 Lower Sixth School House.

Evening entertainment

David Stooke has kindly agreed to say a few words after the dinner. Please get in touch with Anne Douglas (a.douglas@warwickschool.org) if you have any other suggestions for post dinner entertainment or to make this reunion even more special.

Stay in the boarding house

Optional overnight accommodation in the boarding houses on 22 July is available for 60 OWs, followed by breakfast on the Sunday from 08:00 to 09:30. There is a mix of single, twin and triple rooms.

Save the date

More information and full booking details will appear in January in the Old Warwickian newsletter and on www.oldwarwickians.org.

Send us your photos

We are compiling a gallery of boarding house images. Please email or post any photos you may have from your time as a Warwick School boarder.

Email: a.douglas@warwickschool.org or post to: Alumni Relations, Warwick School, Warwick CV34 6PP. We will scan and send back photos by return.



1973 School House prefects.



1985 Roger Usherwood.



1974-75 School House Lower Fifth.



1969 View from bathroom window.



1979-80 boarders I-r C Hain, J Smith, C Flower, C Janes, S Beck.



1990s boarding house.



1990s boarding house.



Today's Pyne Room – here the library in the 1990s.

OW Hong Kong Dinner

Sat 17 Sept 2016, 19:00

All Old Warwickians in Hong Kong are invited to join Head Master Gus Lock, Head of Boarding David Bull and Peter O'Grady for the inaugural OW dinner in Hong Kong.

Venue: The China Club, Hong Kong.

Dress: Jacket and tie.

Please book your place online at www.oldwarwickians.org.

London Reunion

The Naval Club – Tues 8 Nov 2016, 19:00–21:00

Old Warwickians are invited to this year's London Reunion which takes place on Tuesday 8 November at The Naval Club, in Mayfair.

The Naval Club was established in 1919 as a London haven for officers of the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve (RNVR). It provided a London home for Midshipman Michael Duffy (WS 1945-52) who joined the club in 1953 and is one of its oldest members. Michael's brother Peter (WS 1945-54) is one of the Club's newest members – joining the club in 2015. Although Peter served in the army with the Royal Corps of Signals he is welcomed by the Naval Club, which is open to all those with a connection to or interest in the sea and maritime affairs. Michael and Peter are kindly hosting the OW reunion.

There is no charge for attending this event. As numbers are limited (maximum 100), bookings will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. To book your place, please complete the booking form on the back page of this newsletter or book online at www.oldwarwickians.org.

Dress: lounge suit or jacket with tie.

The Naval Club is situated at 38 Mill Street, in the heart of Mayfair between Berkeley Square and Park Lane. Nearest tube: Green Park.

Booking deadline: Monday 31 October 2016.



The Naval Club.

OWA AGM

The Conference Room, Warwick School – Sat 3 Dec 2016, 18:30

The OWA AGM will take place in the Conference Room at school on Saturday 3 December at 18:30. The agenda and committee nominations will be posted on www.oldwarwickians.org.

OWA Annual Dinner

The Pyne Room – Sat 3 Dec 2016, 19:00

The OWA Annual Dinner is a hugely enjoyable opportunity to get together with old friends back at school. The Dinner is open to all OWs and bookings can be made individually or for groups.

Pre-dinner drinks will be served in the Panel Room at 19:00, followed by a five course dinner. Cash bar facilities for wine and spirits are available before and after the meal.

Tickets: £39.50, are available by completing the booking form on the back page of this newsletter or book online at www.oldwarwickians.org. Recent school leavers in full time undergraduate education are offered discounted tickets at £25.00 and are limited to the first twenty applications. Some wine for recent school leavers will also be made available, courtesy of the Head Master.

Dress: Black tie.

Booking deadline: Friday 25 November.

No refunds are available after the booking deadline.

Chapel Services – Michaelmas

Sun 11 Sept	10:00	Beginning of term service
Sun 9 Oct	10:00	Lower Fourth Sunday
Sun 16 Oct	10:00	Harvest Festival
Sun 13 Nov	18:30	Remembrance
Sun 27 Nov	18:30	Advent Service of Light
Sun 4 Dec	16:30	Christingle

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 and www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk.

Diary of Events

OWs vs. Old Sils Rugby
Warwick School
Sat 10 Sept, 12:30.

OWs vs. Old Sils Hockey
Warwick School
Sat 10 Sept, 13:00.

OWA Past President's Dinner
Oriol College, Oxford
Mon 12 Sept, 19:00.

OW Golf Autumn Day
Kenilworth Golf Club
Fri 16 Sept, 08:00.

OW Hong Kong Dinner
The China Club
Sat 17 Sept, 19:00.

OW Coffee Morning

The Pyne Room, Warwick School
Sat 1 Oct 2016, 10:00-11:30.

No need to book, just turn up for coffee, bacon butties and a chat. Wives, partners and friends welcome.

OW London Reunion

The Naval Club
Tues 8 Nov, 19:00-21:00.

The Battle of the Somme (UNESCO 1916 film)

Warwick Hall, Sun 13 Nov, 16:30
– before Remembrance
in Chapel.

OWA AGM

Conference Room, Warwick School
Sat 3 Dec, 18:30.

OWA Annual Dinner

Pyne Room, Warwick School
Sat 3 Dec, 19:00.

OW Cross Country

Wimbledon Common
Sat 17 Dec, 14:30.

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

School News

Warwick School boys continue to flourish and achieve, both in and out of the classroom. We include here a taste of some of the many stories from the summer term.

Platinum music



A Night at the Opera at Warwick Arts Centre.



The National Concert Band Festival.

Three bands competed in the National Concert Band Festival Finals at the Royal Northern College of Music. For the first time ever, Little Big Band, Jazz Lab and Foundation Wind Orchestra each brought home Platinum awards.

NCBF attracts over 120 bands, representing some 5,000 players, ranging from aged 8 to 80. Warwick School will be hosting the NCBF Finals in 2017 in the new Warwick Hall.

Gala Concert in Warwick Hall

The first concert in Warwick Hall will take place on Saturday 1 October; a partnership between the musicians of Warwick School, King's High School, and The Orchestra of the Swan. Eminent baritone Roderick Williams will be one of our soloists. The concert will also feature the première of a new work for male voices by Warwick School student Sam Young.

This is an opportunity to be one of the first to hear a professional concert in Warwick Hall. Tickets, £25, are available from www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk. The concert is being held in support of Warwick School's ongoing bursary appeal.

Careers support

Thank you to the many OWs who support the school's Careers Department. Careers continues to provide boys with first class resources, information and advice. Special thanks to all those who attended the London Careers networking evening in June. The event brought together 30 pupils with OWs from different business backgrounds, to learn about living and working in London. Thanks to Martin Samworth (WS 1972-78), CEO of CBRE, who hosted the event.

Nigel Binks (WS 1969-76) offered work experience to two Warwick School boys at Gleacher Shacklock.

Harry Bassett (WS 2011-15) spoke to boys at a recent Business Lunch.

James Uffindell (WS 1992-97) supported Warwick School's 'Spotlight on Employability Conference' in April.

Across the Pond

Warwick School teachers and Sixth Formers were delighted to meet up with three OWs on their Politics and History trip to the US. Tom Callard (WS 1999-2006) is working for Advertising Agency 72andSunny in New York. Stuart O'Kelly (WS 1992-99) is Vice President Equity Finance Prime Services at JP Morgan, also in New York. Will Todman (WS 1998-2009) is currently doing a Masters in Middle Eastern Affairs at George Washington University.



Tom Callard (right).



Will Todman (front, second from left).



James is pictured with WS boys and Caty Oates (WS Careers), Gus Lock (Head Master), Martin Birchell (High Fliers Research) Keith Herrmann (Director of Employability, Surrey University) Ciaran Aldridge (Property Developer).



James was delighted to bump into Head of Sixth Form John Jefferies, whom he hadn't seen for over 15 years.

Oliver!

At the end of the summer term a packed Bridge House Theatre enjoyed *Oliver!*, a Warwick and King's High musical collaboration at Lower and Middle School level.



Oliver!

Caught on camera

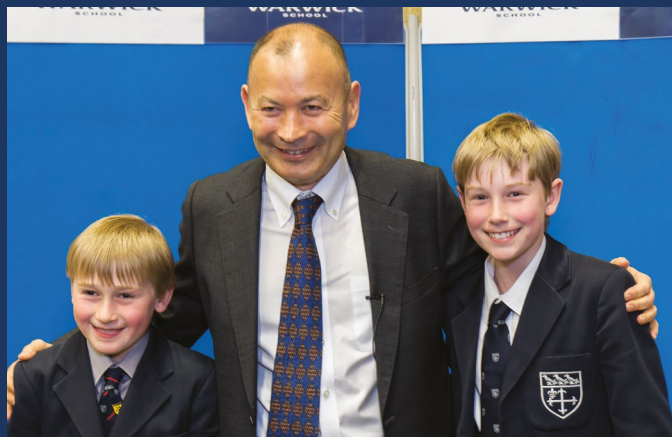
Watch three short films on Warwick School which showcase the performing arts, sport and school life in general.
www.warwickschool.org/About-Us-Video-Showcase.

Chapel Choir

Warwick Chapel Choir will be singing Evensong in St Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday 25 October (after giving a concert in Canterbury Cathedral the day before!).

Rugby Presentation Evening

England Rugby Coach Eddie Jones was warmly welcomed back to Warwick in April for the school's Rugby Presentation Evening. Eddie helped celebrate a great 2015-16 season at school.



Eddie Jones, Guest of Honour at the Rugby Presentation Evening.

CCF Review Day

Col Jaish Mahan (WS 1985-92) was welcomed back to school for CCF Review Day. Jaish spoke to the whole contingent about his time in the school CCF and the fundamental values and skills he had learnt which had equipped him for his military career and tours of duty.



Col Jaish Mahan inspects the Guard of Honour at the CCF Review.

The Whittaker Cup

Naomi Whittaker, mother of Joe Whittaker (WS 1999-2005) presented the new Whittaker Cup to the winning CCF company in 2016. The Cup is named in memory of Joe, who was killed in action in Afghanistan in 2008 while serving with the Parachute Regiment.



Naomi Whittaker and C/Sgt Ashley Barron.

U15 cricketers – Midlands champions

Congratulations to our U15 cricketers who are Midlands champions. They play at the national semi-finals and finals day at Arundel Castle C.C. on 4 September.



U15 cricketers – Midlands champions.

Development News

Warwick Hall

After 18 months building work, the Warwick Hall opens in September. The Hall will be a tremendous venue for the school to assemble together in one place, to celebrate and share news, stories and successes and to host concerts, events and exams. This opportunity to gather together as a whole school has been sorely missed during the development work.

Warwick Hall provides a first-class space for a wide range of music, drama and other events. The auditorium will seat up to 1,000, with enhanced acoustics and audience comfort derived from a flexible telescopic seating system and permanent balcony. Two new drama studios offer smaller venues for performance and workshops and the Bridge House Theatre will, of course, remain an extremely popular mid-scale venue of 300 seats.

£1.1 million raised

The Warwick Hall cost in the region of £7.5 million. As part of the school's 1,100 anniversary celebrations, the fundraising target for the Hall was set at £1.1 million. We are delighted to announce that this amount was reached this summer, thanks to fantastic support from Old Warwickians, parents and friends of the school.

Warwick School Connect

We are pleased to invite all OWs to join Warwick School Connect. This is a new, free, official networking platform for OWs which we are developing.

Warwick School Connect will enable you to:

- Find and reminisce with fellow OWs, see what they have been up to and stay in touch.
- Offer professional advice and/or act as a mentor to fellow OWs.
- Develop your professional network.
- Support current pupils through Warwick School Careers.

The network will expand over the coming months as we launch it to OWs. Sign up in less than two minutes by importing your LinkedIn or Facebook profile.

Join now at www.warwickschoolconnect.org.

The Warwick Walkway

Over 350 named stones were carefully laid to form a walkway around the Warwick Hall. The stones, sponsored by OWs, parents and friends of the school, are engraved with the names of members of the school community, past and present.

Summer Ball 2022

The final fundraiser for the Warwick Hall was a summer ball, held in the grounds of the school on 25 June. Huge thanks to OW Simon Lycett for creating and installing the magnificent floral decorations.



A prickly welcome for some.



The Head Master is taken by surprise.



Simon Lycett assembles the floral decorations.



The marquee looked amazing.



In the Spotlight

Simon Lycett (WS 1974-85)



Simon Lycett ©Kieron McCarron.



From humble beginnings, celebrity and royal florist, Simon Lycett is in high demand. A highly regarded floral decorator, his diary is crammed with work for events in the UK and abroad, from stunning yet modest parties to decadent dinners and magical weddings, interspersed with TV, commercials, radio and film premières.

Simon always knew he wanted to work with flowers and his interest began as a boy, with entries at the Warwick Horticultural Society's annual show, aged seven. He won his first floral art competition aged 16 and on leaving school began an apprenticeship in a London flower shop. His big break came in 1993 when asked to arrange the flowers for the smash-hit film *Four Weddings and a Funeral*.

Simon's originality, creativity and passion for flowers is matched with his infectious enthusiasm and warmth. He loves everything about his job, especially turning dreams into a reality and creating something innovative and out-of-this-world at every opportunity. Plus there are all the RHS flower shows, Gardeners' World Live, BBC Radio London and television work, including the amazing BBC2 documentary *The World's Largest Flower Market*.

He loves the buzz of being constantly busy, adores challenges and nothing really fazes him. Not even when his Holiness the Pope died the day before the wedding of HRH The Prince of Wales to the Duchess of Cornwall. The wedding was delayed, resulting in Simon having to keep 30,000 daffodils fresh for a day longer than anticipated!



©RHS/Neil Hepworth.

Most designs are created by Simon and his team in his workrooms in the railway arches of SE5, before being transported to venues and installed, often under very tight time schedules.

He looks back on his time at Warwick School with mixed feelings. School life was not always easy and he developed a pretty tough carapace which he recognises today as being a fairly essential asset in life. He loved English and relished performing in concerts and plays. Fundamentally, his time at Warwick gave him confidence to believe in himself and his ability to do almost anything to which he puts his mind.

Asked if he had any advice for Warwick School boys, Simon says *"I'd tell them to follow their heart and dreams – don't allow anyone to put you off anything that you do"*. He adds that the skills of writing a decent email or letter, and the ability to express oneself in word or writing are the most important things to learn and *"Always, always, always write your thank you letters!"*

Simon is looking forward to a rest after a busy year. He will sneak off to the west coast of Scotland for a month of splendid isolation... daily dog walks and picnics on the beach... and no mobile phones.



©Toby Stoneham.

World War I Centenary

The Battle of the Somme

The First Battle of the Somme started, after a ferocious, but ineffective, British bombardment of the German lines, on 1 July 1916. On that appalling day alone, there were 57,470 British casualties, of which 19,240 were fatalities – the worst day in the history of the British Army.

The battle raged on until 18 November 1916, as winter set in, by which time British losses had reached nearly half a million killed, wounded or missing.



On the opening day of the Battle the British army suffered its heaviest ever losses in any 24 hour period: almost 20,000 dead and 60,000 wounded, including 6,300 from the 34th Division, shown here on the first morning.



Infantry attack on the Somme.



First Day of Battle of the Somme.



Battle of Albert.



During the Battle of the Somme, both sides made extensive use of machine guns in defence and attack, like this British machine gun team firing near Ovillers in July.

Many Old Warwickians took part in the First Battle of the Somme, and we know of at least 18 who lost their lives. It is fitting, therefore, to remember those below, of whom seven have no known grave:

- 2nd Lt Raymond Holcroft, 9th Bn Devonshire Regt., died 1 July 1916, aged 20.
- 2nd Lt Leon Sharp, Lincolnshire Regt., died 1 July 1916, aged 22.
- 2nd Lt Gilbert Foss, Border Regt., died 3 July 1916, aged approximately 20.
- Maj George Higgins, The King's Liverpool Regt., died 10 July 1916, aged 36.
- 2nd Lt Edward Ward, South Staffordshire Regt., died 15 July 1916, aged 20.
- Pte Thomas Butler, Royal Warwickshire Regt., died 30 July 1916, aged 20.
- 2nd Lt Richard Hart, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, died 30 July 1916, aged 24.
- Pte Arthur Jephcott, Australian Infantry, died 4 Aug 1916, aged 26.
- Sgt William Hutton, Australian Infantry, died 24 Aug 1916, aged 25.
- Pte Frank Smith, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, died 25 Aug 1916, aged 26.
- Capt Arthur Godfrey-Payton, Royal Warwickshire Regt., died 29 Aug 1916, aged 27.
- Maj Harry Bromfield, Welsh Guards, DSO (Distinguished Service Order), died 10 Sept 1916, aged 47.
- Lt Cyril Baly, The Buffs (East Kent Regt.), died 15 Sept 1916, aged 19.
- 2nd Lt John Bennett, Royal Warwickshire Regt., MM (Military Medal), died 15 Sept 1916, aged 26.
- Cpl William Davies, Royal Warwickshire Regiment, died 26 Sept 1916, aged 23.
- Pte Albert Mann, Canadian Infantry, died 27 Sept 1916, aged 32.
- Capt Arthur Addenbrooke, Royal Warwickshire Regt., died 5 Oct 1916, aged 34.
- LCpl Robert Dudley, Royal Fusiliers, died 7 Oct 1916, aged 35.



The Somme.

Remembrance Sunday

Warwick School
Sunday 13 November 2016

Warwick School is a member of the First World War Centenary Partnership with Imperial War Museums. The UNESCO listed film *The Battle of the Somme* is being shown to audiences across the world and will be screened in the new Warwick Hall, on Sunday 13 November at 16:30. Our Remembrance Service follows in Warwick School Chapel at 18:30. All welcome.

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OW News

Changing Guidons at Buckingham Palace

Two OWs paraded at Buckingham Palace on 7 May. Rich Greenway (WS 1990-98) and Rich Harris (WS 1998-2001) were representing their Regiment as E Squadron 2nd-in-Command (Captain Rich Greenway), and E Squadron 1st Troop Leader



OWs at the Palace.

(Lieutenant Rich Harris), as they retired their Squadron Guidons and received a new Regimental Guidon from Royal Honorary Colonel, HRH Princess Alexandra.



Rich Greenway and Richard Harris.

Live at the London Palladium

Ben Hanlin (WS 1999-04) fulfilled a lifelong dream when he performed *Live at the London Palladium* in May. Ben's amazing trick amused and astonished the entire audience, who rose to their feet in appreciative applause. Ben continues to perform work in progress at magic gigs and also began his new radio show on Capital Birmingham (listen to 102.2 FM on Saturday afternoons). He also performed his new one man show at the Birmingham Old Rep in July, before taking it to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

Bacchus

Rob Wilson (WS 1967-74), member of the 1970s OW rock band Bacchus, has gone solo and released a new single, *Rational Passion*. Bacchus have also released a new single, *WPC 293*.

Parliamentary visit

Boys from school were pleased to meet Will McGarrigle (WS 2003-10) and Charles Baker (WS 2001-12) on their summer Parliamentary visit. Will works as Senior Parliamentary Researcher in the office of Chris White MP.



Charles Baker is Parliamentary Assistant to Sarah Newton MP.

TW on tour

James TW (WS 2005-15) was the opening act for Canadian artist Shawn Mendes' World tour, which kicked off in Cologne in April. James performed in venues all over Europe, the US and Canada, finishing in Toronto on 21 August in front of his biggest live audience yet of 18,000. James' EP, *First Impressions* was released in April.

The Comedian's Comedian

"Consistently, dependably and utterly funny", stand-up comedian Stuart Goldsmith (WS 1986-93) has been performing his 2015 Edinburgh Fringe solo show *An Hour* around the UK.

Stuart is also creator of the Comedian's Comedian podcast with over five million downloads. www.comedianscomedian.com

Stuart Goldsmith, *An Hour*. ©Andre Pattenden.



Kishan at Tomorrowland

Kishan Bodalia (WS 2002-13) is already making an impact on the international electronic dance music scene. After victory in the 'Mazda Drives: The Sound of Tomorrow' DJ competition for his unique, high energy and captivating sound, Kishan was selected by Mazda, hit-phenomenon Lost Frequencies and Tomorrowland representatives to perform at Tomorrowland 2016.

Kishan is studying medicine and is also the director of the UK's largest student-run label network, New Street Records. Follow @BodaliaDJ for more news.



Kishan Bodalia.

BBC1 hat trick

Marc Elliott (WS 1991-98) has joined the cast of *Holby City* as new medic Issac Mayfield.

Joshua McGuire (WS 1999-2006) starred in BBC1's comedy-drama *Love, Nina*, an adaptation of Nina Stibbe's best selling book.

Charlie Hamblett (WS 2004-11) starred as Stevie in BBC1's three-part adaptation of Joseph Conrad's thriller *The Secret Agent*.



Marc Elliott, *Holby City*. ©BBC.



Josh McGuire, *Love, Nina*. ©BBC.



Charlie Hamblett, *The Secret Agent*. ©BBC.

Welcome back

Johnnie Hayward (WS 1971-82).

Joseph Nellany (WS 2008-12) and Henry Corbett (WS 2005-13)

Roger Thurman (WS 1966-75)

Kenny Chow (WS 2011-13).



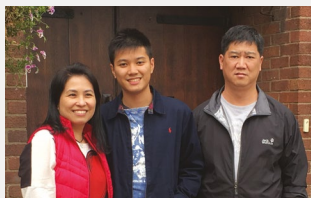
Johnnie Hayward.



Roger Thurman.



Joe Nellany and Henry Corbett.



Kenny Chow with parents.

Hugh lands UK first

Sqn Ldr Hugh Nichols (WS 1990-96) piloted the RAF F-35B Lightning II stealth fighter which landed in the UK for the first time on 29 June after crossing the Atlantic. The Lightning II, which is capable of short take-off and vertical landing, will enter service with the RAF and Royal Navy in 2018. Hugh was also the first British pilot to make a vertical landing in a F-35B, in the US in 2014.



Sqn Ldr Hugh Nichols.
© MoD/Crown 2014.

Warm welcome at The Wellington – come say hello

After many years working in hospitality, Fraser Shippides (WS 1990-2001) opened the UK's first Ping Pong Club (Ping), The Fall Line Val d'Isère and set up The Rum Kitchen. He has now embarked on a new venture, The Wellington Pub in Fulham (www.thewellingtonpub.com). Come say hello.



Starting School in 1981

1981 – the year Prince Charles and Diana Spencer got married, the first London Marathon was held and Bucks Fizz won the Eurovision Song Contest. This was also the year OWs pictured, who enjoyed a reunion dinner, joined Warwick Senior School.



Stuart Piper, Richard Skan, Mycroft Perry, Jim Doherty, Simon White, Nick Short, Richard Beattie and Chris Squires.

Wedding in Bordeaux

Twelve OWs gathered in Bordeaux for the wedding of Stuart O'Kelly (WS 1992-99) and Valerie.



Nick Southorn, James Travis, John Hale, Gary Montgomery, Stuart O'Kelly, Ed Holmes, Andy O'Kelly, Paul Bundred, Rich Hathaway, Chris Bull, Jamie McKinnell and James Tarrant.

Excellence in Environmentally Friendly Technology

61 years after leaving school, Richard Chambers (WS 1946-55) still has no time to organise a retirement. For the last thirty years Richard has been dealing with products offering environmentally friendly 'Saving with more performance', applicable to both private and industrial customers. Richard has concentrated on the reduction of friction in mechanical devices, engines,

gearboxes and hydraulics and has become, in the German market, an established supplier to the motorsport, industry, agriculture and normal car drivers. Richard Chambers GmbH was also winner of the Excellence in Environmentally Friendly Technology Award in the 2015 Emerging Technology Awards.



Richard Chambers.



Ready for Montgomery's Inspection at school.

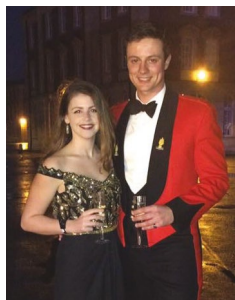
James Cook OBE

Lt Col James Cook (WS 1982-89) has been awarded an OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List. James has also recently been selected for promotion to Colonel.

Congratulations to Rob Pickering (WS 1999-2008), who has passed out of Sandhurst.



Tom Pierce, Gus Lock, James Cook and Keith Davenport at Lower School Speech Day.



Rob Pickering.

Did you see?

Rev'd Patrick Taylor (WS 1984-89) welcomed Prince Charles to Holy Trinity Church as part of the Shakespeare's 400th Anniversary Celebrations.

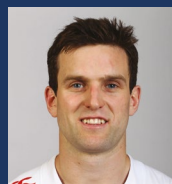
Chris Buckler (WS 1997-2004) gave his property expert views on Brexit on BBC Breakfast.

Denys Shortt OBE (WS 1975-82) welcomed Boris Johnson to DCS Europe.

Sir Tim Barrow MBE (WS 1977-82), now Director General, Political at the FCO, was spotted with Boris in Bruxelles.

Wg Cdr Sam Fletcher (WS 1992-97), equerry to HM the Queen, greeted David Cameron at Buckingham Palace en route to resigning as Prime Minister.

Rugby World Sevens



Charlie Hayter.

Charlie Hayter (WS 2000-2006) made a welcome return to the England squad for the HSBC Rugby World Sevens series, representing his country in some thrilling matches.

Historia Normannis

Matthew Pearson (WS 2004-11) is enjoying taking part in historical re-enactments with Historia Normannis. Historia Normannis is a 12th century re-enactment group, focusing primarily on the events between the reign of Henry I and King John. www.normannis.co.uk.



Historia Normannis.

Democracy Volunteers

Moses Harrison (WS 2006-14) and Harry Brown (WS 2007-14) have recently been part of a start-up organisation called Democracy Volunteers. The aim of the organisation is to improve the quality of democratic elections, within the UK and beyond.

The team have observed and surveyed the recent National Assembly elections in Wales, the Tooting parliamentary by-election and the historic referendum on EU membership. www.democracyvolunteers.org.



Moses Harrison.

Marathon Men

Congratulations to all OWs who completed the London Marathon. David Phillips (WS 1955-61) completed his 465th marathon in 5 hours and 36 mins. Dave continues to fundraise for the Telegraph's Brain and Spine Foundation which provides advice and support for those with neurological conditions. By the end of his 465th marathon Dave had raised a staggering £97,000. Just 35 marathons and £3,000 to go!



Dave Phillips.

Gliding to new heights

Retired helicopter pilot Nick Norman (WS 1964-74) has set a new gliding record height for Cairngorm Gliding Club. With co-pilot Moritz Korn, Nick reached 28,534 feet during a flight over the Cairngorms on 5 May.



View from the cockpit.



Moritz Korn and Nick Norman.

Land's End to John O'Groats



Martin Henderson (WS 1965-67) cycled from Land's End to John O'Groats in August to raise money for Sustrans, the charity that created the National Cycle Network, which it now manages, maintains and continues to develop.

Martin Henderson.

We Three Woodworkers

Simon Marrison (WS 1972-83) was delighted to welcome OW friends John Needham (WS 1972-81) and Right Honourable Judge Richard Bond (WS 1976-83) to his chalet in the Alps. The friends are pictured each holding a piece of woodwork made in Jack Swindlehurst's woodwork lessons in the late 1970s and still being used today!



John (with a hot plate stand), Simon (with the infamous woven stool) and Richard (with a wooden odds and sods box).



The old woodwork classroom.



Jack Swindlehurst (left).

Love in Lindfield

David Smith (WS 1972-79) has published his third book. *Love in Lindfield* combines a contemporary love story with historical fiction about a Victorian stained glass artist called Charles Eamer Kempe.



OW Sport

OW Cross Country

Sat 17 Dec 2016

Thanks to those who have already expressed an interest in the five mile Thames Hare and Hounds Alumni Race over Wimbledon Common on 17 December. If you would like to run and join the OW cross country team (we can enter a team of unlimited runners as long as they are OWs) please contact Anne Douglas: a.douglas@warwickschool.org.



The 2015 Cross Country team.

OW Tennis

Sat 2 July 2016

Thanks to Ian Macvie for captaining the OW team for the enjoyable annual fixture against the school. Amid heavy showers OWs triumphed 6-3.



Nick Ash, Dan Jackson, James Mower, Mark Wilson, Ian Macvie (capt) and David Payne.

OW Rugby

Sat 10 Sept 2016

The 2016 match between Old Warwickians and Old Silhillians takes place at Warwick School on Saturday 10 September at 12:30pm. Come on Warwick!



OWs vs Old Sils rugby.

OW Clay Shooting

OWs repeated their success in Clay Shooting magazine's annual competition for former pupils.



Johnny Scott, Darren Michell and Richard Williams.

OW Hockey

Sat 10 Sept 2016

This year's encounter between Old Warwickians and Old Silhillians takes place at Warwick on Saturday 10 September at 13:00. The OW Hockey team have won three previous matches and are hoping for four in a row.

OW Golf

OWs qualify for GM finals 2016



Peter Gordon, Tim James, Steve Tubb, Philip James, Charlie Higgins, James Cumberland and Matt Hicks.

After nearly ten years captaining the OW Grafton Morrish team and with a stint as OW President looming large, Julian Marcus decided over the winter that the time was right for him to relinquish the GM reins. We thank Julian for all his hard work in reinvigorating the GM team, which has qualified for the Finals in eight of the last nine seasons.

After practice rounds at Frilford Heath GC and Olton GC (kindly organised by Philip James and Peter Gordon respectively), the team returned to Olton GC for the Grafton Morrish qualifying competition on Saturday 14 May, resplendent in new polo shirts and jumpers.

The format was, as ever, scratch foursomes Stableford, with an aggregate score of 75 points from the three pairs to aim for. With the 11th hole having been converted from a par-4 to a par-5 over the winter, we were expecting scoring to be marginally higher this year.

New captain James Cumberland led off the team, partnering Steve Tubb to a 20 point total, not helped by James' stunningly accurate tee-shot on the 9th hole, which clattered Steve's trolley, some 200-plus yards down the fairway, for a one-stroke penalty.

Local knowledge helped Peter Gordon and Philip James, stalwarts of the Grafton Morrish team, to nudge round in a healthier 26 points, although this left us a few points behind playing partners Solihull, with the final pairing still to finish. Happily, the best was saved until last, as Matt Hicks and Charlie Higgins combined for an excellent 29 points and made a superb birdie on the 18th hole, as Charlie's 3-wood from 260-yards was followed by a lovely bunker shot from Matt to six or seven feet. Watched by a small crowd, including Tim James, a third member of the winning 1985 team, Charlie brushed the putt in, taking us to a total of 75 points and edging past Solihull who finished on 74 points. We were placed third out of the nine teams competing, which ensured our qualification for the 2016 Grafton Morrish finals at the beginning of October.

With thanks to James Cumberland.



Charlie Higgins prepares to unleash a 3-wood from 260 yards on the 18th.



Philip James plays to the 18th green.



Matt Hicks shows off to the crowd as he splashes out of the bunker.

OW Golf Spring Day

Tues 17 May 2016 – 50th Anniversary



Front: C Hart, D Cleminson, O Bates, D Phillips, J Sheffield, P Gedge (capt), J Marcus, D Payne, D Rotherham, C Boast, R Gash, T Shenton-Taylor, J Ayres. Middle: G Thorpe, P Neville, D Rotherham, M Lines, B Abbott, G MacDonald, B Holl-Allen, K O'Gorman, T Harry, P Gedge, A Dunnell, J Elson, J Cumberland, B Woodham. Back: C Bellerby, N Harper, J Gregory, I Simmons and R Simmons.

The 50th Anniversary OW Golf Day was an extremely well supported day with a total of 32 golfers enjoying high and lows around the beautifully manicured Tadmarton Heath GC.

We were very pleased to welcome newcomers Piers Neville, Oliver Bates and Gordon MacDonald (all the way from Guernsey!). It was also lovely to see some others missed for a few years in David Cleminson, Bob Holl-Allen and Richard Gash. Thanks to some of the over 75s for making the day so special!

Gracey Tankards

Edinburgh foursomes – take the best of 2 drives and play alternate shots on either odd or even holes. 21 players contested the tankards.

- Winners, on 37 pts – Oliver Bates (rookie winner) and Chris Kaye.
- Runners up, on 36 pts – Nigel Harper and Malcolm Lines.
- Third, on 35 pts (winning on the back 9) – James Cumberland and Geoff Thorpe.

Langley Trophy

Joining the 21 players from the morning were 11 additional golfers for the afternoon's main event. An individual stableford off 7/8 handicap.

- Winner, on 36 pts – Julian Marcus.
- Runner up, on 34 pts – James Cumberland.
- Third, on 32 pts – Chris Kaye.
- Fourth, on 32 pts – David Cleminson.
- Nearest the pin (7th green) – James Cumberland.
- Nearest the pin (16th green) – Oliver Bates.

We were very lucky to have competition sponsors in the names of Peter Baird, our Captain, donating The Langley Trophy first prize, John Elson for sponsoring prizes and to Richard and Iain Simmons for producing marvellous commemorative 'wine boxes' in which the Captain was able to present the prizes. Champagne for the winners and runner up prizes of a bottle of wine – no golf balls for the 50th Anniversary – we really pushed the boat out!

A special 'wine box' went to Peter Gedge – for attending the most OW golf days and for being present on the very first Tadmarton Golf Day. Another special prize to our Captain for all his hard work. Peter presented Alan Alderman's widow with a commemorative OW photo of Alan at Broadway GC in 2012 and we held a moment's silence prior to dinner to reflect on the life and efforts of Alan as Hon Sec and Capt, and long serving member of the OWGS.

We were also delighted to receive a commemorative decanter from Tadmarton Heath GC, presented to Peter Baird by Rod Proud, Tadmarton vice capt. The decanter will remain at Tadmarton and be filled each OW golf day with a suitable tippie to be enjoyed by all on the day. Heart-felt thanks to Tadmarton Heath GC for a lovely and unexpected gift.

We hope to see as many OWs as possible for the Spring Golf Day 2017 – provisionally set for Tuesday 16 May 2017 at Tadmarton Heath GC.

With thanks to Hon Sec Julian Marcus.

OWs vs. School

Fri 24 June 2016



Pip Whitting, Matt Leefe, Oliver Bates, Julian Marcus, John Gibbons and Geoff Tedstone (capt).

The prestigious Jack Marshall Trophy was once again the main prize for the annual OWs vs. School golf match.

Ingon Manor Golf Club played host to our combat.

The school's

young golfers were only too ready to defend last year's 3-0 win and powerful hitting off the first tee did nothing to make the OWs feel any easier about the task ahead.

A beautiful Friday evening saw teams of six paired up to play 4-ball better-ball match play, played off full handicap difference (with OWs needing all the help they could get).

Driving off first for OWs were Geoff Tedstone (11)(capt) and Julian Marcus (8), playing the very talented pair of George Gill (+1) and Ross Perry (7). Despite all the shots received, the game did not go as OWs would have liked, and they lost 3 and 2.

Our second string of Oliver Bates (9) and John Gibbons (5) found themselves duelling with Theo Barnes (7) and Ralph Hiatt (6). Despite OWs being ahead for some of the round, the school managed to find inner strength down the stretch, overwhelming our slender lead to bring the match home all square.

So, with the trophy all but engraved, OWs third pair of Pip Whitting (18) and Matt Leefe (6) tried to lift spirits with their match against Max Hayward (11) and Alex Ford (13). They sadly bowed out 3 and 2 on the 16th green. Final score: OWs ½ - School 2½.

The Jack Marshall Trophy was presented by Geoff Tedstone to Ross Perry. The trophy tally for the last ten years now stands at five matches apiece.

With thanks to Julian Marcus and Geoff Tedstone.

Autumn Golf Day

Friday 16 September, 08:00 – Kenilworth Golf Club

OW Cricket

OWs vs. School

Sat 25 June 2016

It was great to see many OW cricketers back at school on 25 June for the annual OW and school matches.

With variable and unpredictable weather, the OW first team won the toss and elected to bat. They got off to a good start but rain continually forced the players off, reducing the overs along the way. After the final rain delay OWs were left with 15 overs remaining from their newly allocated 30 and, as such, were forced to accelerate. Sam Wood led the way with an exciting 91, while Ben Howard supported him with 59 from 53 balls, resulting in a score of 210-5.

Unfortunately, the OW bowling was not as successful, and the school 1st XI had little trouble knocking off the required target with 7 overs to spare.

The enjoyment of catching up with old friends ensured a great day was had by all involved.

Sadly OWs were unable to muster a team for the preliminary round of this year's Cricketer Trophy. OW cricket cups were awarded on the basis of the OWs vs. school game:

- Mike Cotton Fielding Cup – Dan Simmons
- Leo Jones Bowling Cup – Gregory Sutcliffe
- OW Batting Challenge Cup – Sam Wood.

Thanks to the many OWs who turned out to play the school 2nd and 3rd XI. A relaxing day was enjoyed despite the occasional downpour.

A very entertaining 2nd XI game saw the school take victory. Highlights included some superb hitting from Andrew Dellow, whose 36 included 3 sixes and 4 fours, and a wonderful catch from Dan Myers. OWs enjoyed a good win over the school's 3rd XI. Good bowling from Satsavia, coupled with good opening batting from Dan Marcus, kept the runs ticking over.

Huge thanks to Simon Francis and Jon Stone for organising the school teams and Tommy Williams, Ben Howard, Tom Hunt and Alex Wood for captaining and supporting OW cricket this year.



OWs 1st XI vs. School.



OW Cricket Cups.



1st team. Back: Daniel Simmons, Charlie Blake, Sam Wood, Jake Salmon and Manpreet Gill. Front: Greg Sutcliffe, George Tedstone (wk), Ben Howard (c), James Williams and Jack Atkins.



OWs and WS boys from the 2nd and 3rd teams. Back: Toby Whelan, Andrew Dellow, Ben Church, Gurjeev Satsavia. Front: Tom Hunt, Alex Wood, Dan Marcus and Nic Chesher.



Support from 2006 leavers.



OWs 1st XI vs. School.

Booking Form

Alumni Relations, Warwick School, Warwick CV34 6PP.
Tel: 01926 776404 Email: a.douglas@warwickschool.org.

Events

Please return this form to:

**Anne Douglas, Alumni Relations,
Warwick School, Warwick CV34 6PP.**

Title
Full name
Years at Warwick School: From (year) To (year)
Address
Postcode
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Email
Signed
Date

- ☐ Please tick this box if you are happy for Alumni Relations to hold this information on our Alumni Database to enable us to contact you about events and other information we think may be of interest.
- ☐ Please tick this box if you are happy for your email address to be shared with other Old Warwickians. Your details will not be passed to any other third parties.

London OW Reunion

The Naval Club
Tues 8 November 2016, 19:00-21:00.

- ☐ I would like to attend.

For the London OW Reunion, this booking form must be returned by 31 October.

OWA Annual Dinner

The Pyne Room, Warwick School
Sat 3 December 2016, 19:00 for 19:30.

- ☐ I would like to attend and enclose a cheque for £39.50.
- ☐ I would like to attend, am in full time undergraduate education and enclose a cheque for £25.00.

For the OWA Annual Dinner, this booking form must be returned by 25 November.

Please make cheques payable to **Warwick School Enterprises Ltd** or **WSEL**. No refunds are available after the booking deadline.

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

Front cover images.

Col Jaish Mahan at the CCF Review Day.
Sam James, Will Chaundy, James Payne and Luke Streeter at the 2006 leavers' reunion.
Simon Lycett ©Kieron McCarron.

Christmas Presents

Please return this form to:

**Mrs Gill Cumberland,
Warwick Junior School, Myton Road, Warwick CV34 6PP.**

Title
Full name
Email
Tel

Christmas Plum and Sponge Puddings

Following the success of previous years, the Friends of Warwick School are selling 'The Gold Great Taste Award' winning puddings from The Ultimate Plum Pudding Company. These can be ordered in advance and collected from Warwick Junior or Senior School Receptions, the OW Coffee Morning on 1 October or at the School's Winter Fair in the new Warwick Hall on 25 November.

Traditional **plum puddings** are available in three sizes, 120g individual puddings, 454g/1lb and 908g/2lb. There are also five different sponge puddings available in a 3-4 portion size – the ever popular **Triple Chocolate, Sticky Toffee, Triple Ginger, Golden Syrup** and **Luscious Lemon** puddings.



The labels for the puddings will be designed by boys from the Junior School. Puddings are sold on a first come, first served basis.

Deadline for ordering: Friday 18 November.

I would like to order in advance:

- ☐ 120g Plum pudding(s) @ £2 each or 3 for £5.00
- ☐ 454g/1lb Plum pudding(s) @ £5.00 each
- ☐ 908g/2lb Plum pudding(s) @ £10.00 each
- ☐ 290g Triple Chocolate @ £5.00 each
- ☐ 300g Sticky Toffee @ £5.00 each
- ☐ 290g Triple Ginger @ £5.00 each
- ☐ 290g Luscious Lemon @ £5.00 each
- ☐ 300g Golden Syrup @ £5.00 each.

I enclose a cheque for £ made payable to Friends of Warwick School.

I would like to collect:

- ☐ at the OW Coffee Morning in the Pyne Room on 1 October
- ☐ at the Winter Fair in the Warwick Hall at Warwick School on 25 November
- ☐ from Warwick Junior/ Senior School Reception (please delete).