

# The Old Warwickian



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OWs enjoy a  
**summer of reunions**

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Staff changes and a  
new **Head Master**

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OW news from  
**Buckingham  
Palace to the  
Commonwealth  
Games**





## Recent Events

### 1940s and 50s Chapel Service and Lunch

Sunday 24 June 2018 – Warwick School

*"No distance of place or lapse of time can lessen the friendship of those who are thoroughly persuaded of each other's worth."* Robert Southey.

Welcoming OWs back to Warwick School after over 70 years is undoubtedly one of the most heartening occasions in the OW calendar. The 1940s and 50s Reunion was a special day of mixed emotions. Shared delight at being reunited was tinged with sadness while remembering those who are no longer with us. Names were recalled, faces recognised and memories rekindled with humour and warmth. Some had not seen one another since their school days. Recollections of classrooms, lessons and teachers were intermingled with tales of mischief and misdemeanour.

Gus Lock (WS Head Master 2013-18) welcomed Guest of Honour Ros Partridge, daughter of A H B Bishop (WS Head Master 1936-62). OWs were also pleased to see former staff Ralph Thornton (WS staff 1948-89) and Margaret Keighley, née Tingle (WS staff 1947-62).



John and Ros Partridge, née Bishop.



Head Master Gus Lock gave a warm welcome in Warwick Hall.



Patrick and Rita Moren.



Richard Ferry and Ken Dorsett.



Drinks in the sunshine.



Duncan Hempstock and John Taylor.



Judy and Paul Ramage.



Margaret Keighley née Tingle, with daughter Zoe.



Tom and Celia Bellamy, Tony and Thelma Atkins.



Robert Holl-Allen and Mike Stephens, delighted to see Ralph Thornton.



Old friends.





*Back in Chapel after 70 to 80 years.*



*Time to reflect.*



*John Taylor, Pete Jarvis, Geoff Raine and Jack Thornton.*



*Nigel Harris, Pam and Peter Gedge.*



*Mike Reece, Jack Thornton and John Wetherby.*



*Mike Baker, John Cooper and John Holton.*



*John Rudgard and Brian Moore smiled over their old form photo.*



*John and Susan Webb.*



*Hilary, Graham, Bob and Pauline Stoney.*



*John and Margaret Walker won the prize for the furthest distance travelled.*



*Gill and Peter Payne. Peter started at Warwick the same day as AHB Bishop in September 1936.*



*Mac Randle, Gerald Knight and Peter Stocker.*



## OWA President's Dinner

Saturday 21 April 2018 – Robertson House, Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst

OWA President Col Jaish Mahan (WS 1985-92) was delighted to welcome OWs and their partners to Robertson House at The Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst for his President's Dinner.



Clive Boast, Kathleen Phillips MBE, Philip Harris and Nicholas Whiting.



The dinner was amazing!



Gus Lock and Jaish Mahan.



Tony and Thelma Atkins. Yvonne and Bob Charlett.



John and Suzie Cavanagh, Rachael and David Stevens.



Steve and Liz Chamberlain.



Ann and Nigel Hill, Diana Coleman and Mike Harwood.



Arun and Sonia Sachdev, Anne and Clive Mather.



Liz Finlyson and Brian Emmerson.



Ken Dorsett, Philip Lowe, Camilla Rents and Adrian Keeling QC.



Freda and Mike Benfield.



John and Mary Sheffield.



# 1968, '78, '88, '98 and 2008 Anniversary Reunions

Saturday 7 July 2018

The series of successful entire 'decade' reunions has evolved into a pattern of year-group reunions. This summer, those who left 50, 40, 30, 20 and 10 years ago marked their anniversary with reunions back at school. OWs were delighted to be joined by inspirational current and former staff who, in turn, were equally heartened to see so many they had once taught.

Welcome drinks were followed by a superb buffet lunch prepared by the school chefs in the old part of the school. For many, this was the first time they had seen one another since leaving. Tours of the school with Prefects took in traditional and familiar parts of the school, plus many more recent developments, and included a glimpse of the new King's High development and shared Sixth Form Centre.

The reunions had been brought forward by half an hour to allow for those who wanted to see the England World Cup Quarter Final. Many headed into town to watch the match at old watering holes, some stayed to watch it at school while others dipped out of football altogether and enjoyed the school's Discovery Festival or quietly headed home.

## 1968 Leavers' Reunion



*Drinks under The Limes.*



*1968 Leavers with David Jackson.*



*Paul Osborne, Alan Wilson and Julian Griffiths.*



*Peter O'Brien, Robert Rummey, Nigel Kay and Robert Kay.*

## Former staff



*Chris and Christine McNee.*



*Former Junior School teachers Penny Birt and Judith Fogg.*



*David Jackson and Jeremy Rider.*



*Trevor Pritchard and Chris Franklin (88).*



*Ian Moffatt, Andrew Parkes and Geoff Lane.*



*Marko Stanojevic (98), Brian Emmerson, Geoff Thorpe (68) and Ian Moffatt.*



## 1978 Leavers' Reunion

Saturday 7 July 2018

Forty years since leaving school.



1978 leavers with Robert Hudson and Tony Sparks.



Jamie Magraw, Trevor Pritchard and Jamie Barr.



John Slatter, John Cavanagh QC, Mark Bellamy, Bob Page, Mike Harral and Simon Lawton.



Mark Bellamy and Bob Page.



Simon Lawton and John Cavanagh QC.



Simon Clewlow and Mike Pearmain.



Mike Bartlett and John Slatter.



John Pascall and Peter O'Grady.



# 1988 Leavers' Reunion

Saturday 7 July 2018

Thirty years since leaving school.



1988 leavers with Gervald Frykman and Bob Fair.



George Wallis, Bryan Nelmes and Michael Flooks.



Tom Greenwood, Jon Milton, Chris Franklin and Giles Conway.



David Slack, Richard Pound, Bryan Nelmes, Mike Sarson, Giles Conway, George Wallis, Michael Flooks, Chris Squires and Mark Andrews.



Mr Nelmes Snr, Chris Franklin and Jeff Marshall.



Tim Hayden and Tom Greenwood.



Mark Andrews and Dr Scott Wilson.



Mark Turrell and Chris Squires.



Guy Stanton, David Slack and Richard Pound.



## 1998 Leavers' Reunion

Saturday 7 July 2018

Twenty years on.

*"Fabulous day! And quite a long night by all accounts! Everyone loved it."*

Bill Tipper (WS 1991-98).



1998 leavers.



Al Clunnie, Tom Shearsby and Douglas Killick.



Jon Stone, Gavin Swinbourne and James Collins.



Ben Moreton, Gareth Thomas, Michael Stallard and Judith Fogg.



Louise Haines, Bill Tipper, Jules Copeland and Martin Collett.



Craig Wilson and son Henry.



Edward Gold and Greg Musson.



Martin Collett and Tristan Fletcher.



Jake Kirkman and Richard Wilson.



Raman and Michelle Sharma.



Tom McKay and Tom Bullock.



## 2008 Leavers' Reunion

Saturday 7 July 2018

Ten years on.

"The youngsters!"



2008 leavers.



Henry Seal and Justin McVeigh.



Jack Allison and David Morris.



2008 leavers with Geoff Tedstone and Brian Davies.



Alex Doffman, David Thompson and Frank Gaymond.



Alex Doffman, Elliot Leppard, Ali Mather and Rory McGrath.



Oscar Robinson, Elliot Leppard, Calvin Santana-Vaz, Sam Wright, Ali Mather and Jonathan Cox.



Elliot Mintz and Dr Scott Wilson.



# Forthcoming Events

## OWA Annual Dinner

**The Pyne Room – Sat 1 Dec 2018, 19:00**

The OWA Annual Dinner is a great opportunity to get together with old friends back at school. The Dinner is open to OWs of all ages 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 four course dinner with coffee in the Pyne Room. Cash bar facilities for wine and spirits are available.

Tickets: £36.00, are available by completing the booking form on the back page of this newsletter or book online at [www.oldwarwickians.org](http://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 23 November.

No refunds are available after the booking deadline.



## Chapel Services – Michaelmas 2018

Sun 23 Sept	10:00	Year 7 Sunday
Sun 7 Oct	10:00	Harvest Festival
Sun 11 Nov	18:30	Remembrance
Sun 2 Dec	18:30	Advent Service of Light
Sun 9 Dec	16:30	Christingle
Tues 25 Dec	10:00	Christmas Day Service

All OWs and their families and friends are welcome at these services. Please check dates and times on [www.warwickschool.org](http://www.warwickschool.org)

## Music and Drama

For information on forthcoming school music and drama productions see [www.warwickschool.org](http://www.warwickschool.org) and [www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk](http://www.bridgehousetheatre.co.uk).

## Diary of Events

**OWs vs. Old Sils Rugby**  
Warwick School  
Sat 8 Sept 2018, 12:30.

**OWs vs. Old Sils Hockey**  
Warwick School  
Sat 8 Sept 2018, 12:30.

**OW Golf Autumn Day**  
Kenilworth Golf Club  
Fri 14 Sept 2018, 08:00.

**OW Hong Kong Reunion**  
The Pacific Club,  
Tsim Sha Tsui  
Sat 22 Sept 2018, 19:30.

### OW Coffee Morning

The Pyne Room, Warwick School  
Sat 29 Sept 2018, 10:00-11:30.

A great opportunity to meet new Head Master Dr Deneal Smith. No need to book, just turn up for coffee, bacon butties and a chat. Wives, partners and friends welcome.

### OW London Drinks

RAC Club  
Mon 5 Nov 2018, 19:00-21:00.

### OWA AGM

Conference Room, Warwick School  
Sat 1 Dec 2018 18:30-19:00.

### OWA Annual Dinner

Pyne Room, Warwick School  
Sat 1 Dec 2018, 19:00-22:30.

### OW Cross Country

Wimbledon Common  
Sat 15 Dec 2018, 14:30.

For information on any of these events please contact: Anne Douglas, Alumni Relations, Warwick School.  
T: 01926 776404.  
E: [a.douglas@warwickschool.org](mailto:a.douglas@warwickschool.org).



## OW London Drinks

### The Royal Automobile Club

Mon 5 Nov 2018, 19:00-21:00

Old Warwickians are warmly invited to this year's London Drinks Reception which takes place on Monday 5 November in The Committee Room at The Royal Automobile Club, 89 Pall Mall.

The Royal Automobile Club is one of the world's foremost private members' clubs, offering first class facilities built on the foundation of being the UK's oldest motoring organisation.

There is no charge for attending this event but places must be booked. Complimentary red and white wine will be served courtesy Warwick School and there will be a cash bar. As numbers are limited (120), 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](http://www.oldwarwickians.org).

**Dress:** Jacket and tie.

**Booking deadline:** Monday 29 October 2018.

## OWA AGM

### The Conference Room, Warwick School

Sat 1 Dec 2018, 18:30

The OWA AGM will take place in the Conference Room at school on Saturday 1 December at 18:30. The agenda and committee nominations will be posted on [www.oldwarwickians.org](http://www.oldwarwickians.org).

## OWs in Hong Kong

### The Pacific Club, Harbour City, Tsim Sha Tsui

Sat 22 Sept 2018, 19:30

OWs in Hong Kong are warmly invited to the 2018 Old Warwickians annual gathering.

Located in the heart of Tsim Sha Tsui, the Club has spectacular views across Victoria Harbour. Join James Barker (OW and Senior Deputy Head Master), Peter O'Grady, David Bull (Head of Boarding) and Ginny Gretton, for a buffet, bar, bowling and billiards. Karaoke also available for those who dare!

**Tickets:** £30, includes a private buffet, bowling and unlimited soft drinks, beer and wine.

**Dress:** smart casual.

Book online at [www.oldwarwickians.org](http://www.oldwarwickians.org) by 11 September.



Boarders' annual tug of war.



The Royal Automobile Club.

## 1969, 1979, 1989, 1999 and 2009 Leavers' Anniversary Reunions

Warwick School – Sat 6 July 2019

Drinks and a reunion lunch to mark 50, 40, 30, 20 and 10 years since leaving school.

Full details to appear in the January Old Warwickian newsletter.





# School News

**Our recent ISI inspection report recognised the outstanding contribution and commitment of boys and staff, describing our pastoral care as excellent and our pupils' achievements as exceptional.**

## The Battle of Vimy Ridge, 1917

School Archivist Gervald Frykman took advantage of a L4 trip to France in Activities Week, July 2018, to seek out the memorials to two OWs who were killed on the same day (9 April 1917) during the battle of Vimy Ridge. They were Albert Mann, a farmer, who left the school in 1907, and Rupert Starr, an electrical operator, who left in 1902.



The Vimy Memorial.



L4 boy pointing to the name of Albert Mann.

## The Discovery Festival

Warwick School's inaugural 'Discovery Festival' for the arts was a great success, with the completion of the kraken monster just one of many highlights. Recognising the importance of creativity, every boy had the opportunity to discover and experience new art, music, dance and drama workshops and activities throughout the week.

Junior School boys had a 'Big Draw' in their playground, producing portraits of themselves. They also enjoyed mask making, drumming, instrument-making and learning about willow sculpture as they made teeth for the kraken monster.

Senior School pupils had amazing opportunities too, with residencies from Birmingham Conservatoire, dance company Motionhouse and Two Circles Design.

Saturday's finale was full of music, art, dance and drama across the school campus. There were drama performances from Warwick School boys including *Lock Down* and *The Epic of Gilgamesh*. Music was played from the Foundation Symphony Orchestra, the Wind Band, Jazz Band and a Lower Fourth music concert.

It is anticipated that the Festival will become a biennial event.



Kraken completed.



The Big Draw.

## Graduation and Prize-Giving

OWA President Col Jaish Mahan (WS 1985-92) gave an inspiring speech at Upper Sixth Graduation as he welcomed boys into the Old Warwickian Association. Jaish was also Guest of Honour at Lower and Middle School Prize-Giving in July.



Lower and Middle School Prize-Giving. Ali and Gus Lock, Jaish Mahan, Keith Davenport and Richard Thomson.

## New Deputy Heads from the Class of 1997

We said a fond farewell to Deputy Head of Warwick Junior School Trevor Lewis, who retired in the summer, plus Senior Deputy Head David Wickes, who takes up a new position as Headmaster at Merchant Taylors' Boys' School, Crosby.



Tim Wurr and James Barker.

James Barker (WS 1991-97) has been appointed Senior Deputy Head, Warwick Senior School, while Tim Wurr (WS 1990-97) becomes Deputy Head of Warwick Junior School.



The Epic of Gilgamesh.



What a welcome!

## Pastures new

At the end of the summer term Rev Andrew Gough retired from Warwick School after 22 years.

We are pleased to announce the appointment of a new Chaplain, The Reverend Dr Alycia Timmis. Alycia is currently Curate at St Mary's Church, Warwick, a role that she will continue to hold alongside her chaplaincy here.

Andrew takes up a part-time position as Chaplain of Bishop Wordsworth's, the boys grammar school attached to Salisbury Cathedral.



## Warwick School Careers

Thank you to all OWs who support the WS Careers Dept. From hosting familiarisation visits and offering work experience, to coming into school to talk to the boys and attending our Careers events, your support is tremendous. Our second Employability Conference was fantastic, with over 400 pupils and parents attending. The Lower Sixth Careers Trip to London was also a great success – huge thanks to all OWs who networked with the boys on the rooftop at Bush House, King's College.

If you can help at the U6 Careers Speed Interviewing Evening on 11 October or can offer other careers support please contact Caty Oates [c.oates@warwickschool.org](mailto:c.oates@warwickschool.org).

## CCF Review

Col James Cook OBE (WS 1982-89) inspected the CCF for their Annual Review.



Col James Cook OBE at CCF Review.

## Terry Waite CBE

Terry Waite, former hostage and envoy to the Archbishop of Canterbury, gave an inspiring and humbling talk in the Warwick Hall as part of the Sir Ben Kingsley Lecture Series.



Terry Waite CBE.

## Now we are eight

There are now eight OW members of staff across Warwick Senior and Junior Schools.



Chris Grant, James Barker, Martin Hewitt, David Bull, Chris Bond, Tim Wurr and Phillip Rothwell.  
Not pictured Geoff Tedstone.

## A summer of sport

From Athletics to Cricket and Clay Pigeon Shooting to Fencing, there are many great sports stories from the summer. One such is the school's U13 hockey team, who had a fantastic season culminating in reaching the National Finals.



U13 national hockey finalists.

## Flash Bang

OW and WS Chemistry teacher Chris Grant (WS 1996-2003) treated local school children to a variety of experiments to celebrate British Science Week.



Chris Grant.

## Simon Lycett, Guest of Honour

Internationally-renowned floral decorator Simon Lycett (WS 1974-85) was Guest of Honour at Speeches and Prize-Giving in July. Simon kindly spent the afternoon with members of the A-level Art group to create stunning floral decorations in the Warwick Hall for Speech Day. During his open, honest and amusing talk, Simon created two floral arrangements for the Head Master and Ali Lock. Recalling his time at Warwick, Simon said he didn't like it much and, at times, hated it, for the environment was not friendly to someone who was gay. He had previously declined the invitation to speak, but agreed to do so this year as a contrast to the world of 1985 when Enoch Powell gave the prizes, feeling that, although out of his comfort zone, his presence marked how the world today is changing.



Afternoon floral decorating workshop.

## The Joe Whittaker Cup

The 2017-18 Joe Whittaker Cup was won by D Company CCF by just two points. Joe's mother Naomi and sister Kate, alongside a representative of the Parachute Regiment (with which Joe served), were present to see C/Sgt Tinkler collect the cup on behalf of D Company.



Naomi Whittaker presented The Joe Whittaker Cup.



## OW News

### The search for 'lost' OWs

We continue to search for 'lost' OWs for our Anniversary Reunions and were delighted to 'find', among others, Andy Heppel (WS 1984-89). Andy is still in touch with a number of leavers from the late 1980s.



Andy Heppel, Ian (non OW), Jim Lewis, Dave Slack and Rich Pound met up in Dublin in the summer.

### Baptism celebrates 90-year family link

A 90-year family link with Warwick School has been celebrated with the baptism of the great-granddaughter of a former head boy in the school chapel.

Baby Flora's great-grandfather was HB Robinson, a former head boy and captain of both rugby and cricket who later returned to the school – after a career in the RAF – as deputy head of the Junior School for 20 years.

The baby's mother is Sarah Whitehouse (née Robinson), daughter of Nigel Robinson (WS 1955-66), and the niece of Adrian (WS 1955-61).

Sarah and her brother Peter were both baptised in the school chapel (with godfathers who are all OWs), where she later married Robert Whitehouse and also had their other children James and Edward christened.

The funeral of 'HB' was also conducted in the school chapel by Rev Andrew Gough, who, by the time he left Warwick, had officiated for the family at two weddings, a funeral and five christenings!



Robert and Sarah Whitehouse with their children Edward, James and Flora, Rev Andrew Gough and Nigel and Julie Robinson.

### Calling all potato race winners

Nigel Foster (WS 1963-74) would like to frame his original WS Potato Race certificate (2nd place) as an ironic antithesis to colleagues who have plastered their office walls with all manner of stylish achievements. Sadly, the certificate is nowhere to be found. If any OW has similar certificates of achievements, Nigel would be pleased to hear from you [nigel.foster@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:nigel.foster@hotmail.co.uk).

### Two OWs in England 7s

It was fantastic to see both Charlie Hayter (WS 2000-07) and Ben Howard (WS 2001-11) representing England at the HSBC World Series Hong Kong 7s in April. Charlie was also 13th man for the England 7s team at the Commonwealth Games, where England were bronze medal winners.



Charlie Hayter and Ben Howard.

### 1969 Leavers' Anniversary

1969 leavers are looking forward to a fifty year reunion on 6 July 2019.



Alec Davis, Tony Backhouse, Richard Jameson, Nigel Evans and Mike Huntley CB.

### OW Birmingham Lunch 2018

Clive Boast (WS 1956-63) reports that a few "hardy OWs of advancing years" journeyed to Birmingham in June for what is becoming, an annual 'OW Birmingham Bash Lunch'. After a pre-lunch drink in the Old



Peter Turner, Martin Newman, Bob Iveson, Steve Chamberlain, John Davidson, Mike Galbraith, Clive Boast, Brian Newman and Malcolm Eykyn.

Joint Stock on Temple Row, OWs enjoyed lunch at San Carlo Italian Restaurant in Temple Street. Clive adds that other OWs from their era within commuting distance of Birmingham would be most welcome to attend future gatherings.

### Reunion in New Zealand

On a recent visit to New Zealand Rob Morris (WS 1967-74) met up with Giles Gill (WS 1963-74). Rob and Giles hadn't seen one another since leaving Warwick in 1974.



Giles and Rosie Gill with Mary and Rob Morris.



## So missed, so loved, so very dear

A beautiful armillary sundial has been given to the school in memory of Jon Kerr (WS 1988-92) who died in 1992. Jon's parents commissioned sculptor David Harbour to design and make the stunning sundial with its carefully chosen inscriptions.

Time is too slow for those who wait,  
Too swift for those who fear,  
Too long for those who grieve,  
Too short for those who rejoice,  
But for those who love, time is eternity.

*Henry van Dyke*



*Lux et umbra vicissim sed semper amor. Light and shadow by turns but love always.*

## Champion North Coast 500

When The Proclaimers fashioned Scotland's alternative anthem, *I'm Gonna Be (500 miles)*, Ben Champion (WS 2011-16) doubts they had a bike ride in mind. The North Coast 500 is one of the most challenging routes in the British Isles for anyone on two wheels. Undeterred by the prospect of 200,000 turns of the pedal and 35,000 feet of climbing, Ben took on the gruelling challenge while raising £2,000 for the spinal injuries charity, Aspire.



*Journey's End.*

## Iced buns from the tuck shop

Paul Weighell (WS 1963-64) and Ian Fraser (WS 1963-68) marked their long-standing friendship with freshly prepared cream buns, reminiscent of those served by the tuck shop in the 1960s.



*Paul Weighell and Ian Fraser.*

## Lifetime of service to the OWA



*Nigel with the painting of the old cricket pavilion.*

Nigel Robinson (WS 1955-66) was presented with a painting of the old school cricket pavilion to mark a lifetime of service to Warwick School and the OWA. The painting was presented by Head Master Gus Lock at the OWA President's Dinner at Sandhurst in April, marking Nigel's active involvement with OWs for more than 50 years.

Nigel joined the OWA on leaving school in 1966 and was social secretary of the Portcullis Club in Church Street for many years before being elected its chairman in 1980. He went on to serve twice as OWA chairman (1985-87 and 2005-2010), and then as president in 2001.

He was elected president of the Warwickians RFC in 2009 and, in 2014, was appointed one of two OWA vice-presidents for the school's 1,100th anniversary year.

He has also been secretary of the OW Trust (established to provide bursaries for local boys) since its inception in 2011.

If you would like to buy a signed, limited edition print of the painting, please register your interest before 31 October. Email [alumni@warwicksschool.org](mailto:alumni@warwicksschool.org) or tel 01926 776404. The price of the mounted print is likely to be £50 and will be confirmed when edition numbers are finalised. Ideally, prints will need to be collected from school but posting could be arranged.

## Running wild

Barney Sampson (WS 2007-16) took on the Safaricom Lewa Marathon through one of Africa's most breath-taking wildlife conservancies. Regarded by Runner's World as one of the world's top ten 'must do' marathons, Barney raised money for UK wildlife charity Tusk.



*Barney Sampson.*



## Empower Energy success

Co-Founder and CEO Ronit Kanwar (WS 2008-16) is making phenomenal progress with Empower Energy – a social enterprise start-up which provides safe, clean and affordable energy to the most underserved in India. Empower Energy provides electricity through the use of Solar ATMs in a flexible pay-as-you-go manner which requires no upfront costs.



Ronit Kanwar.

Winners of the Morpheus Cup 2018 and Hult Prize London Regional Final, Empower was one of 16 regional finalists from over 100,000 entrants. Over the summer the team progressed to the Hult Accelerator and are spending six weeks with business experts to refine the business. They will hopefully reach the Global Finals which will involve pitching for the \$1million prize at the UN in September.

## Record for youngest boarder?

Peter Rawlins (WS 1947-59) is curious to know if he holds the record for the youngest ever boarder, and for the longest stay boarding at Warwick School. Peter started at Warwick aged six and boarded for 11 years and 10 months.

## Ikoyi Chapmans

OWs Mike and Garry Robinson (WS 1972-81 and 1975-85) have fulfilled a lifelong dream by bringing a drink they used to enjoy as children in Nigeria to the UK market. They have bottled and are commercially selling a drink known as 'Ikoyi Chapmans', a soft, fizzy drink made with citrus fruit and bitters. The brothers grew up in Nigeria and boarded at Warwick, often returning to Nigeria during the holidays. Mike said: *"After leaving school, Garry and I became professional squash players but it has always been our dream to commercially produce this drink."* After their squash careers came to a close five years ago, they made their dream a reality. The drink is being sold in a few bars and cafés in Leamington and Warwick, including The Cape of Good Hope and Coffee Architects, and the brothers are hoping to start selling it in supermarkets soon.



Mike and Garry Robinson. ©Mike Baker.

## Welcome back

From helping current students with their university applications, to speaking to members of the Politics and Law Societies, it is always great to welcome OWs back to school. Equally, we are happy to show OWs round who would simply like a tour of the school today.



George Lin  
(WS 2012-16).



Ben Rhodes  
(WS 2006-17)



Clive Boast  
(WS 1956-63).



Alex Rogers (WS 2006-17).



Tim Houghton (WS 1986-91).



Patrick Fong (WS 2008-10).



Ian Simester (WS 2006-13).



Kevin Cox (WS 1949-56) and  
Robin Taylor (WS 1949-56).



Ross Perry (WS 2008-17) and  
Oliver Layzell (WS 2000-17).

## Gold DofE

**Congratulations to another group of OWs who recently received their Gold DofE awards at St James's Palace.**

James Cumberland (WS 2001-10) received his gold award on a separate occasion at Buckingham Palace.



Chris Bolton, Alex MacPherson, Richard Brough, Henry Giudici, Joshua Holmes, Alex Crummett, Will Button, Ben Champion and Fergus Wood.



## Welcome to Westminster

Parliamentary Clerk Sean Kinsey (WS 2004-11) welcomed the WS Sixth Form Politics group during their annual trip to Westminster.



Sean Kinsey (left).

## The day I met Shostakovich

During the school's Discovery Festival Prof Gerald Seaman (WS 1945-52) gave a fascinating talk with recollections of conversations with Shostakovich, Khachaturyan, Khrennikov and Kabalevsky. After military service in the Royal Navy studying Russian, Gerald read music at Keble College, Oxford and later spent a year in the Soviet Union at the Leningrad Conservatory. He has held various appointments at the University of Auckland, Birmingham Conservatory and Oxford University.



Prof and Mrs Seaman with Director of Music Simon Hogg.

## The Threat

In his talk to 30 members of the school Politics Society, entitled 'The Threat' Peter Varnish OBE (WS 1954-65) described the range of strategic and tactical threats faced by governments, industry and individuals. Peter stressed the challenge from the internet (Facebook and phishing), improvised explosive devices and cruise and ballistic missiles. Having joined the Royal Navy Scientific Service after graduating, in 1975 Peter transferred to the Foreign Office on appointment to the British Embassy, Washington DC. In April 1982 he was head of Electronic Warfare for the Royal Navy and played a major role in the Falklands War. He presently advises the Cabinet Office on the cyber threat from China.



Peter Varnish OBE.

## Chris Buckler at Keller Williams

Keller Williams, the US-led firm that has 185,000 estate agents worldwide, opens its fourth office in the UK this summer. The office, at London Bridge, will be owned and operated by Chris Buckler (WS 1997-2004), who is also Keller Williams UK's Director of Technology.



Chris Buckler.

## Thank you

Huge thanks to Duncan Gunn (WS 1978-85), Matt Shakesheff (WS 1983-90) and many OWs who offered work experience to WS students this summer.

## Twilight walk for Brain Tumour Charity

Members of the Warwick School community are invited to join the team for a Twilight Walk on 30 September to raise funds for The Brain Tumour Charity. The 10km walk will start and finish at Warwick Hall. Please register or sponsor at [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk) (search The Twilight Walk Warwick).

## Marathon Man at Buckingham Palace

Marathon Man Dave Phillips (WS 1955-61) is very grateful and has no idea who nominated him to be invited to a Garden Party at Buckingham Palace. The invite was likely linked to Dave's huge marathon running and raising, to date, £117,000 for the Brain and Spine Foundation.



Dave and Robina Phillips.

## Edward Button to join The King's Singers



Edward Button.

Countertenor Edward Button (WS 1997-2008) will be joining the world-famous King's Singers in January 2019. Edward was a choral scholar at Girton College, Cambridge and also an Alto Lay Clerk at King's College Cambridge as well as a member of 'Collegium Regale' (now the 'King's Men').

## Did you see?

ITV Central News ran a late story on 29 June reporting the return of an eagle, whose handler was aptly named James Faulconbridge (WS 2003-10).

According to The Guardian, Marc Elliott (WS 1991-98) was "funny as the absurdly silly Roderigo" in *Othello* at the Liverpool Everyman.



# OW Sport

## Grafton Morrish Qualifiers

Sat 12 May 2018 – Olton Golf Club



*Peter Gordon, Steve Tubb, Matt Hicks, James Cumberland (capt), Philip James and John Hale.*

The OW golf team gathered at Olton GC for Grafton Morrish qualifying on 12 May. Three qualifying spots were available for the seven competing teams, leaving little margin for error.

On a glorious morning for golf, with barely a breath of wind, OWs were in the first group, playing sixsomes alongside Solihull and Coventry. Veteran pairing Peter Gordon and Philip James led off, followed by Matt Hicks and OW debutant John Hale, with James Cumberland and Steve Tubb as the anchor pair.

The OW team score of 87 points included an excellent 34 points from Peter and Philip, the highest scoring pair from any school. This gave OWs second position, behind Solihull (91 points) and ahead of Shrewsbury (84 points) for whom former England cricketer James Taylor was playing. OWs have therefore qualified for the Grafton Morrish finals, to be held at Hunstanton GC and Royal West Norfolk GC in early October.

## Spring Golf Day

Tues 15 May 2018 – Tadmarton Heath Golf Club



*Bud Abbott, Malcolm Eykyn, Brian Woodham, John Elson, Vic McDonald, Julian Marcus, Peter Gedge, Anthony Dalton, Tim Shenton-Taylor, Clive Boast, Peter Baird, Clive James, Iain Simmons, Piers Neville, David Payne, Malcolm Lines, Oliver Bates, Geoff Thorpe, Andrew Dunnell, Mike Barnwell, Duncan Rotherham and Chris Kaye.*

This year's OW Golf Spring Day was the first time for many years when the sun shone all day!

Having undergone major alterations, the course at Tadmarton was looking magnificent with many of the new features having bedded in well. Although the course seemed more playable and a little kinder, scoring points still seemed more of a trial than a number had expected. 12 morning players were joined by a further ten in the afternoon.

### Gracey Tankards

Edinburgh foursomes – take the best of two drives and play alternate shots on either odd or even holes.

Winners – 35 pts, Malcolm Eykyn and Geoff Thorpe

Runners up – 34 pts, John Elson and Andrew Dalton

Third – 32 pts, Ollie Bates and Iain Simmons.

### Langley Trophy

An individual stableford off 7/8 handicap

Winner – 32 pts, Chris Kaye

Runner up – 31 pts, Tim Shenton-Taylor

Third – 29 pts, Duncan Rotherham

Fourth – 29pts, Mike Barnwell.

With thanks to those who kindly donated prizes. Once again, the golf, company and food were greatly enjoyed.

## OWs vs. School Golf

Friday 6 July 2018 – Stratford-on-Avon Golf Club



*Julian Marcus, Richard Plummer, Steve Tubb, Graham Carter and Geoff Tedstone.*

OWs met the school golf team to contest The Jack Marshall Trophy in the annual golf match held at Stratford-on-Avon Golf Club.

The course was in great condition, parched and bone dry with greens running true but the rough waist deep. With one man down, OWs Geoff Tedstone (11) and Julian Marcus (8) took on the might of Josh Kearns (4) and Ralph Hiatt (5). Power and

length gave way to straight hitting and good putting with OWs running out 2 and 1 winners on the 17th green. Graham Carter (10) and Richard Plummer (24) played the very talented pair of Rob Fitchford (11) and Sachin Kholi (13). Rob's final putt on the final green secured a 1 up victory for the school. All square!

Out third, on his own, was the fiercely competitive Steve Tubb, who came up against Max Hayward (1) and Theo Barnes (2) and lost 6 and 5.

Final score: OWs 1 – 2 School.

The Jack Marshall Trophy was presented by Julian Marcus to Josh Kearns. The trophy was first presented in 2007 and the score book now reports: OWs 6 wins and School 6 wins.

## Dates for your golf diary

Autumn Golf Meeting – Fri 14 Sept 2018 – Kenilworth GC

Spring Golf Meeting – Tues 21 May 2019 – Tadmarton Heath GC

All welcome and it would be lovely to see some new faces, some 'old' but younger faces and, of course, the old stalwarts.



## OW Hockey

Sun 25 Mar 2018



*Back: Ralph Newbold, Rob Pomfret, Chris Carpenter, Andrew Dellow, Elliot Hobbs and Nick Baker. Front: David McNee, Max Jennings, George Toms, Alex van Dijk and Chris Todd.*

Old Warwickians went down 8-7 to the School First XI in an entertaining match just before Easter.

Despite racing to a 2-0 lead, OWs trailed 4-2 at half time. After slipping further behind soon after the break, OWs mounted a major comeback. They clawed it back to 8-7 by the dying moments, with Chris Todd, Jack Beard and David McNee influential in the midfield. OWs couldn't convert some last minute pressure to grab the equaliser and force penalty flicks.

If you are interested in playing OW hockey please contact Rob Pomfret: [rjp503@googlemail.com](mailto:rjp503@googlemail.com).

The OWs vs Old Sils annual hockey match takes place on Saturday 8 September 12:30 at Warwick School. Supporters welcome.

## OW Cross Country – Calling all runners

Sat 15 Dec 2018

All OW runners are warmly invited to join the OW cross country team for the five mile Thames Hare and Hounds Alumni Race over Wimbledon Common on 15 December. This is an annual event for alumni from schools across the country. We may enter a team of unlimited runners as long as they are OWs. If you would like to run please contact Anne Douglas: [a.douglas@warwickschool.org](mailto:a.douglas@warwickschool.org).

## OW Rugby

Sat 8 September 2018

The OWs vs Old Sils annual rugby match takes place on Saturday 8 September 12:30 at Warwick School. Supporters welcome.



## OW Cricket

Sat 7 July 2018



*Back: David Johnston, Alex Bywater, Edward Pettifer, Dan Simmons, Daniel Swan, Sam Foster. Front: Jon Byrd, George Tedstone, James Williams and Harry Philpott.*



*OWs vs school 7 July.*

OWs, playing with 10 and short of recognised bowling, chased 148 off the reduced 20 over match against the school, with one ball to spare. The school side were put into bat and raced to 100-2 inside the first ten overs. The off spin of Dan Simmons returning 2 for 16 and James Williams 3-18 restricted the school to 48 off the last ten overs. The reply started well, with Alex Bywater and Harry Philpott finding the fence with regularity, but a flurry of quick wickets left OWs in strife. James Williams was joined by Jon Byrd and their unbeaten partnership of 90 off the last 6 overs saw OWs win with one ball to spare.

## OW Tennis

Sat 7 July 2018



*Nick Ash, David Payne, Mark Wilson, Ian Macvie, Dan Jackson and Tim Walton.*

Hard fought games on a blisteringly hot afternoon resulted in OWs losing 1-5 in their annual match against the school.



## Booking Form – Events

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Alumni Relations, Warwick School, Warwick CV34 6PP.  
Tel: 01926 776404 E-mail: [alumni@warwickschool.org](mailto:alumni@warwickschool.org).

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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.

### London OW Reunion

The Royal Automobile Club  
Mon 5 November 2018, 19:00-21:00.

☐ I would like to attend.

For the London OW Reunion, this booking form must be returned by 29 October.

### OWA Annual Dinner

The Pyne Room, Warwick School  
Sat 1 December 2018, 19:00 for 19:30.

☐ I would like to attend and enclose a cheque for £36.00.  
☐ 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 23 November.

Please make cheques payable to **Warwick Schools 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, clockwise from top.

- Tim Hayden and Tom Greenwood at the 1988 Leavers' Reunion.
- Charlie Hayter and Ben Howard at the Hong Kong 7s.
- The new armillary sundial.
- New Deputy Heads Tim Wurr and James Barker.
- Richard Ferry and Ken Dorsett at the 1940s and 50s Lunch.



## Letter from Head Master Gus Lock

Dear (now) Fellow Old Warwickians,

With my seven years at Warwick School complete, I am writing to thank you for your support for me personally and, more importantly, for the school.

I have thoroughly enjoyed every one of my OW experiences, from committee meetings and coffee mornings, to major events such as the 2014 Anniversary Lunch. You have been warm, welcoming and energetic in your support of the school. You have shared with me stories and memories, bringing colour to the past of our school and bringing to life characters from decades long past. You have been understanding that things evolve to reflect the changing needs of the times. You have supported our Bursary Campaign, something very dear to my heart, such that we can offer a Warwick School education to deserving boys from the area who could not otherwise benefit.

I will take with me very happy memories of brilliant dinners at, among others, Sandhurst, the Mary Rose, the Garrick Club, Warwick Castle, Leicester Space Centre, the Lord Leycester Hospital and China Club in Hong Kong. More importantly, I will take very happy memories of supportive, generous and kind people.

I wish you and the school the very best for the future and I am sure you will make Dr Deneal Smith and his wife Lisa every bit as welcome as Ali and I have been made to feel.

Floreat Schola Warwicensis

With all good wishes and sincere thanks,  
Gus Lock (WS 2011-18)

## Project One Campus

Project One Campus is progressing well, with the new King's High main school building on track to open September 2019.

See [www.projectonecampus.co.uk](http://www.projectonecampus.co.uk) for more information and updates.



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