

# Martlet

## MAGAZINE

## OM entrepreneurs touch down at Allianz Park



**Budding entrepreneurs gathered for an evening with Nigel Wray.**

*See the pictures on page 7*





Justin Wernham  
with Peter & Anita  
Wakeham

# OM Club

## President's Report Peter Wakeham (1960 – 1964)

It's people that matter, not places. That's my overriding memory of the events and venues that I have attended during my presidency. Sure, I have visited some terrific cities, but what I have most enjoyed has been the opportunity to engage with long-standing friends, re-engage with long-lost friends and meet new ones. Hopefully, along with the fun I have had personally, I have succeeded in enthusing everyone with my conviction that the OM community is one to be treasured and that the OM Club is making great progress as it adapts to an exciting, albeit challenging, future.



New York gathering at Christopher  
Phillip's apartment



Colin Patterson's house in Naples, Florida



## Hon Sec Report Stewart Wernham

This is my first Hon. Sec. report having been appointed to the position at the AGM in April. I know I have a hard act to follow in Tim Corbett, and I'm slightly daunted at the prospect of my former English master marking my work!

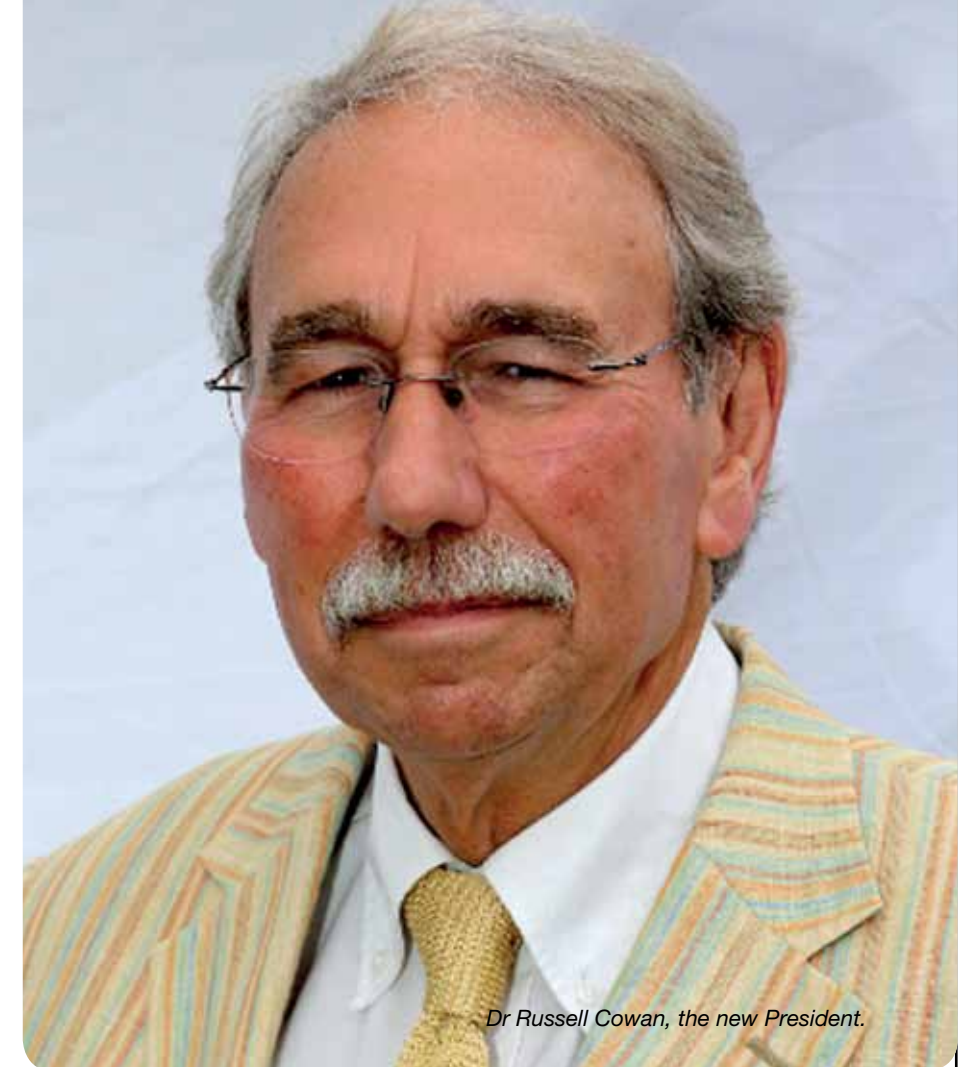
## The New President Dr Russell Cowan (1958 – 1963)

Our new President, Russell Cowan, was in Weymouth and entered the School through the Middlesex County Award Scheme. Apart from an enjoyable few years in the late 60s donning an OM's rugby shirt, his medical career largely kept him away from Old Millhillian affairs. Since 2009 he has sought to repay the School for the opportunity he was given by establishing the Donald Hall ABC Bursary which supports a 6th form pupil wishing to pursue a career in one of the medical professions.

After an unspectacular and definitely un-Presidential career at School, distinguished by singing prizes, a little acting, 3rd XV rugby and 4th XI cricket, he fulfilled his childhood ambition of entering the medical profession at Guy's Hospital Medical School where his thespian inclinations were prominent in not only helping to develop his bedside manner but also were responsible for him meeting his wife, Gillian.

After junior medical jobs at Guy's, St Thomas' and The London, he was awarded an MRC Clinical Research Fellowship from which he wrote his MD Thesis and was subsequently a senior clinical fellow in the Liver Unit at the University of Southern California Medical School in Los Angeles. His consultant career from 1981 was as an NHS gastroenterologist and liver specialist and he is still working in private practice.

His interest in teaching led to his appointment



Dr Russell Cowan, the new President.

as Associate Dean to The London, Barts, Queen Mary Westfield Medical School. In addition he was in charge of Core Medical Training for the East of England Deanery and was both Senior Examiner and Regional Adviser for the Royal College of Physicians. He is a fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and a Fellow of the European Board of Gastroenterology. He sits on the Court of the University of Essex.

Russell hopes, as President, to encourage more engagement by young OMs with the

Club in their first 10 years, bringing them together through their university careers and in their early professional lives. He is aware also of the importance of demonstrating to pupils and parents the value of the Club to the social, professional and personal lives of new OMs, with the medical professions providing a special example of these values.

He firmly believes the Club needs to showcase the success of its many distinguished OMs.

At the EGM held in April the Club passed a resolution in favour of introducing lifetime membership for all pupils joining the School from September 2014. Parents may opt out of the scheme if they wish. In due course it is intended to introduce a conversion programme enabling existing or new members the option of paying a one off membership fee rather than an annual subscription.

The Club is particularly keen to encourage OMs in their 20s and 30s to recognise the wide range of benefits of Club membership and to get involved in the many professional networking and social events and regional

and annual dinners which are organised. The Club is also working with the School on ways to help current pupils and leavers with career advice, guidance and possibly work experience. All members will shortly receive a questionnaire inviting them to participate in the careers' scheme. The President, Peter Wakeham, has kept the Club office on its toes during his busy schedule of lunches, dinners and travels around the World.

In June a number of OMs attended the Service of Dedication to the CCF followed by an excellent display by the CCF Corps of Drums on the Quad.

The Cocktail Party following the AGM held at the National Liberal Club was a convivial and well-attended event.

Preparations are underway for the annual dinner being held on 10th October when the new President, Russell Cowan, will be inaugurated.

Finally, a big thank you to Shalaka for the hard work she puts in both in terms of Club administration and with the organisation of so many Club events.

**Stewart Wernham** (1974-79)  
Hon Sec





Peter Wakeham and David Short

## AGM & Cocktail party

The AGM took place on 25th June followed by an enjoyable soiree on the terrace at the National Liberal Club when over 70 OMs and guests attended the Cocktail party.

Rugby stalwarts, Mark Freer and John Tucker, Peter McDonough (retiring Registrar MHS), Pauline Bennett-Mills (retiring Head of Grimsdell) and Professor Michael Proctor (former Chairman of The Court of Governors) were all appointed Honorary OMs at the AGM.



## Dubai Gathering 31st January 2014

A lunch buffet was held in the garden of Emmanuel Ajayi's villa. Outside catering provided a splendid meal. Many of the 23 attendees included OMs who drove for at least 1 hour from Abu Dhabi. The age range was significantly younger than most OM events I have attended in the UK – reflecting the age of Raja Achan, the excellent organiser, the OMs in the region and possibly the informal relaxed style of the event.

An additional highlight of the trip was time spent in Oman with Jim Selway, who is 85 getting on 50. He was an evacuee to St. Bees.



## Australia Weekend

It was our first OMs Australia visit to Brisbane, having had one previous long weekend adventure to the Sunshine coast many years back in a previous century. Nothing disappointed, the weather was excellent and our President Peter Wakeham joined us for a superb celebration. Friday afternoon saw many of us jetting in from different parts of Australia with our President making the complete journey from London to Brisbane arriving early in the morning and still looking very much alive at midnight over an informal welcome dinner in central Brisbane.

On Saturday, as more OMs joined the group, we were out on the Brisbane River soaking up the warm sunshine and taking in the sights of this beautiful modern city. Saturday night was our Australian dinner held at the popular Gusto da Gianni's restaurant on the waterfront at Hamilton. Celebrating the occasion together were Anita and Peter Wakeham, Dawn and Alan Mills, John Fereday, Mitz Maeda and Ellen Goodridge, Tania and Mark Phillips, Emma and Justin Wernham, Nick Vaklavik, James Shekleton plus Maggie and David Stannard. We enjoyed a great meal, good company and the opportunity to hear OMs and MHS news direct from Peter Wakeham.

To round out a great weekend, we met up once more for a pub lunch at the iconic Breakfast Creek Tavern before saying farewells and departing in several different directions. We look forward to welcoming Russell Cowan next year. A big thank you to Mark Phillips for organising the weekend venues and putting Brisbane firmly on our venue map for three years time? We hope so...

David Stannard (1971-76)

## Cambridge Dinner

The OMs Cambridge Dinner was held on Friday, 9th May in Trinity College, Cambridge.

Under the Chairmanship of David Short thirty five OMs and their spouses attended, with the guests being Dominic Luckett, the Headmaster, Peter Wakeham, the Club President and his wife Anita, Dr Roger Chapman, the Chairman of the Court of Governors and Mike Proctor, the previous Chairman of the Court. We were also delighted that three current undergraduates were in attendance.

Pre-dinner drinks were held in The Old Combination Room and were followed by a typical English Dinner which included crème brûlée. A version of crème brûlée (known locally as "Trinity Cream" or "Cambridge burnt cream") was first introduced to England at Trinity College, Cambridge, in 1879. After a short break there were speeches by David Short, Dominic Luckett and Peter Wakeham,

and then the customary question and answer session when various questions relating to the school and the Club were answered by the guests. The evening finished at about 11.00.p.m. with everyone being in very good spirits.

Those present were Keith Armistead, Alan Bonner, Roger Chapman, Russell and Gillian Cowan, Samantha Davis, Christopher Dean, Matthew Frise, Robert Harley, Stuart Hibberdine, Gregory Lee, Frank and Eva Loeffler, Dominic Luckett, Chris and Beverley Maunder-Taylor, Clive Mence, Nick Priestnall, Mike Proctor, Jim and Jill Roberts, John Roberts, David and Juliet Short, Bill and Meg Skinner, Richard Tray, Peter and Anita Wakeham, Klaus Wang, Stewart Wernham, Gerry Westoby. Fiona and Paddy Whelan and William Winfield.

It is hoped that the dinner next year will be on the equivalent Friday, the 8th May but this will be confirmed later.

Jim Roberts (1945-50)



## Hong Kong

Steven Chan and John Hellinikakis combined to put on a great evening at the Hong Kong University Alumni Club on 12th June. Most attendees were young, Hong Kong residents. Many came with wives/partners. Following informal drinks we adjourned to a private room for a multi course dinner, Chinese style. Thereafter, without major protest, we all trooped off for drinks at the Foreign Correspondents Club where John is a member.

## European Weekend in Stockholm

OMs, together with wives, enjoyed a social weekend in one of Europe's most beautiful cities. The unsettled weather did not restrict us. We visited places of interest such as the Vasa and the Swedish Royal Family's residence at Drottningholm and ate well – Operabaren and Waterfront. As we dined in style in the Bellman Room at Den Gyldene Freden, where members of the Swedish Royal Academy meet every Thursday evening, we toasted one of our most influential OMs, Nobel Prize winner, Sir Francis Crick.

Peter Wakeham (1960-64)







# Round & About



**Peter McDonough** who many OMs will know as their History teacher and latterly Registrar, has retired after over 15 years at Mill Hill.

He was at Belmont School for many years before that. At his informal leaving party, Peter took to the stage with some other well known band members, Masters Mark Dickinson, Gavin Saint and Andrew Homer. The band played a few 'Elvis' numbers and got the party started!

Peter has many projects lined up so he will be keeping busy. He may organise an OM trip to Ypres next

year to commemorate the OMs who fought in the 1st World War so watch this space. We wish him a long and happy 'retirement'.

## Lord Nelson Voyage

Clive Mence (Murray a few years ago) joined the crew of the 3 masted barque Lord Nelson on her voyage round the Horn from Ushuaia to Uruguay.

The 2000 mile trip took 25 days, the highlight being 3 days in Port Stanley. He was able to sign the visitors' book of the Punte del Este Yacht Club near Montevideo as the VC of the OMYC.

The STS Lord Nelson is one of 2 very special tall ships built and owned by the Jubilee Sailing Trust [www.jst.org.uk](http://www.jst.org.uk) designed to enable people of all physical abilities to sail side by side.

**Clive Mence (Murray 1953-57)**



## Rugby Gathering

There was a last minute gathering on 19th June in Covent Garden, to meet Phil Jackes who was visiting London from Australia, his first visit in 10 years. Phil was in the OMRFC 1st XV in the late 90's and was Head Coach for three years. From left to right:

O. Akpofure/M. Peskin/P. Jackes/J. Church/D. Kelly/J. Carson/B. Nash/C. Liddington/N. Nihat  
Front row: J. Tucker/M. Freer  
**Noyan Nihat (1982- 88)**



## OM Entrepreneurs event at Allianz Park

*"An evening with Nigel Wray"*

OM entrepreneur, investor and rugby fanatic, Nigel Wray, responded to questions from the audience on a wide range of topics relating to entrepreneurial activity, such as, how he became an entrepreneur, who he backs and why and what advice he gives to current or aspiring entrepreneurs. The event attracted close to 100 attendees including sixth formers and Deputy Head Jane Sanchez.

**Peter Wakeham (1960-64)**





# The Old Millhillians' Inaugural Annual Medical Scientific Meeting

Thursday 19th March 2015 at the Royal Society of Medicine, London

To celebrate the success and achievement of Old Millhillians in medicine and the allied professions and to provide an opportunity for OMs to meet, network and encourage those still in training, within the context of a scientific meeting, the inaugural meeting will take place at the Royal Society of Medicine on Thursday 19th March 2015 from 5.30 to 9.30pm. There will be a two hour symposium comprising a keynote speaker and four short talks, all delivered by OMs, to be followed by a buffet supper and the opportunity to socialise in smart and comfortable surroundings. More detailed information will be circulated in due course, including a request for the submission of abstracts for selection for oral or poster presentation at the meeting. Meanwhile, please put this date in your diary. If you believe the OMC Office does not have your correct contact details please e mail them to Shalaka Karlekar on [sk@millhill.org.uk](mailto:sk@millhill.org.uk).

**Dr Russell Cowan**, Vice President, OMC



## Past Presidents' Lunch

As has become customary in recent years, and thanks to Stuart Hibberdine, the Past Presidents gathered at the Athenaeum Club for their annual lunch on April 30th. Sixteen

of the twenty-one attended plus, of course, the current incumbent Peter Wakeham. In reverse order they were John Bolton, David Franklin, Robert Harley, Ronnie Samuels, Bill Skinner, Roy Mills, Ray Hubbard, Stuart Hibberdine, David Rodda, Geoffrey Vero, Ronny Cohn, Alan Toulson, David Short (properly attired in his striped blazer), Mike Corby, Chris Maunder Taylor and Andy Mortimer.

These are always lively affairs with much banter mixed with some interesting reminiscences and some sharp opinions. Over the bread and butter pudding, Peter reported on his travels to date and those in the pipeline, he is certainly getting around on the overseas front. He and Andy then brought everybody up to date on the Life Membership project and the efforts being made by the club to modernise itself, with emphasis on engaging younger Millhillians. It was a very enjoyable and cheerful occasion.

## Edinburgh Dinner

Friday 7 February 2014 was not only the eve of the Calcutta Cup Scotland V England rugby fixture but was the date set for the biennial OM Scottish dinner. Held in Edinburgh at the centrally located Roxburghe Hotel, 10 people gathered for an excellent sociable evening of good food and chat. After drinks, followed by a superb four course meal, Sam Duckworth proposed The Loyal Toast, Andrew Fisher then proposed a toast to The Old Millhillians Club and The President Peter Wakeham. Peter Wakeham responded with a witty and humorous speech which also clearly and succinctly described the forthcoming proposals around OM membership and finished with a Toast to The School. As is the Scottish tradition the youngest member of the room was asked to speak a few words – the task being undertaken excellently by Maxim Kavanov.

Attendees were Andrew and Fiona Fisher, John and Sue Watkiss, Sam Duckworth, Peter and Anita Wakeham, Chris Maunder Taylor, Maxim Kavanov and Stuart and Christine Hibberdine. **Andrew Fisher (1977-83)**



Livermen's Lunch

## City Dinner

The City Dinner took place on 22nd May at the Bleeding Heart Yard restaurant with 21 attendees. Guest speaker this year was Jonathan Zenios [Priestley 1982-87] who has over 20 years experience within financial services. His talk concentrated on his time at Barclays Capital where he was Managing Director and Global Head of Structured Capital Markets. It was an enlightening and provocative evening and it was interesting to hear a 'bankers' perspective on the recent financial crisis!

## Property Dinner

39 OMs attended the Cavalry & Guards Club on 20th February including current President, Peter Wakeham, and School Registrar, Peter McDonough, who spoke about the School. Jeremy Church responded on behalf of the Club and also toasted the health of MHS. After many years as Chairman of the property group, Stuart Hibberdine stepped down, replaced by Graham Chase.

**Mike Peskin (1980-84)**



## Celebrating the Dawn of Mass Global Communication

An important anniversary to be celebrated at Mill Hill School on 18th October 2014

At the turn of the last century, radio communication was in its infancy. The properties of "Hertzian Waves" – what we now call radio waves – were only just beginning to be understood.

In that age of technical discovery, many every-day people 'radio amateurs' experimented with radio using short wavelengths. It was not long before they realised far from being worthless frequencies, they in fact held

Calling all OMs worldwide – do you wish to take part in making skype or radio contact with the School? Are you an amateur radio enthusiast? Please get in touch with Shalaka in the Club office e: [sk@millhill.org.uk](mailto:sk@millhill.org.uk) t: 0208 906 7949



the key to low power long distance communication.

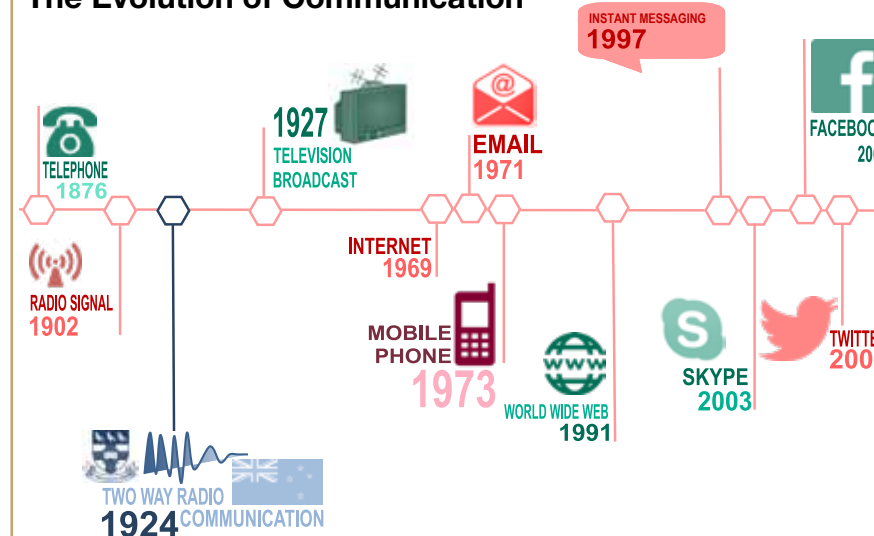
On 18th October 1924, two-way communication was finally established between Frank Bell, call sign 4AA, a sheep farmer in South Island New Zealand, and Cecil Goyder, call sign 2SZ, a schoolboy operating from Mill Hill School, North London. The picture seen is the Prince of Wales visiting Mill Hill and meeting Cecil Goyder. The world had been shrunk, and things would never be the same again.

To commemorate the 90th anniversary of this historic contact made by Goyder and Bell, Mill Hill School will be hosting working amateur radio stations from 11th to 18th October 2014. The stations will be contacting many of the 3.5 million other radio amateurs around the globe during this week. They will also try to recreate the first

Goyder contact on a wavelength close to that used in 1924.

The Radio Society of Great Britain, will be providing the stations and Mill Hill School will be using the facility provided by the RSGB as a learning workbench. On the actual anniversary date of 18th October, MHS also plans to have a live webcam covering the communications.

### The Evolution of Communication



## OM Skype Call

Tuesday 14th October 1-2pm BST

Mill Hill pupils would like to make skype contact with as many OMs around the world as possible.

If you live in Asia/USA/Australasia and would like to have a chat with a pupil then please get in touch.

## Communications Careers Event

**Do you work within Communications – telecoms/ mobile networks/IT/marketing related industries?**

There is a Careers evening on Thursday 16th October at Mill Hill School from 5.30pm. Please get in touch with the Club office if you would like to attend.





# Reunions

## 1963 & 1964 Leavers' 50 year Reunion on 17th May 2014

On a beautiful late spring day, thirty two Old Millhillians who left in either 1963 or 1964, six accompanied by their wives, gathered for drinks in the Crick Garden.

A warm welcome from the Headmaster was followed by informative addresses from Mrs Jane Sanchez, Senior Deputy Head, and Miss Sanyu Zimbe, Head of the Boarders, in the Crick Room, before an excellent three course lunch in the Dining Hall.

The noise from enthusiastic conversation was conspicuous and confirmed the pleasure of rekindling, refreshing or continuing old friendships, old acquaintances and, perhaps in some cases, old adversaries.

Lunch was followed by tours of the School in four groups, visiting boarding houses, including Winterstoke, now the home of Grimsdell pre-prep, and then various school buildings, not least the impressive Favell Building. Our tour guides were Jane Sanchez, her daughter and OM, Paula, Ella Duthie, Upper Sixth student and grand-daughter of Alan Prosser-Harries, and Nick Priestnall, Director of the Foundation Appeal. To each of them we offer our gratitude for sparing so much time.

The afternoon ended with tea and the opportunity to pour over archived photographs and other memorabilia from our era, while viewing the permanent display, in the Old Millhillians' Room. The consensus was that this 50 year reunion was enjoyable, worthwhile and long overdue. The organisers hope that renewed contacts will be maintained and might lead to other contacts developing.

**Russell Cowan**  
Weymouth 1958-63



## 75 year reunion

**Roger Holliday (Winterstoke 1953-58)** is coming over to the UK from Ohio for a visit in October and would like to organise a reunion of his contemporaries who are like him turning 75 years of age this year. Plans are afoot to coincide this reunion with the Club dinner on 10th October in London. Watch this space.

Some 60 years ago...well, 60 years and 9 months to be precise...104 of us showed up at Mill Hill School, checked into our respective houses, attended the traditional "Housemaster's Welcome Tea Party", unloaded our trunks and tuck boxes...and probably answered our first fag call!

Then, for the next five years we pretty much lived together. We shared the same dormitories, ate together in our various dining halls and sat in the same class rooms. We marched side by side on the quad, played in house and school teams, shared common room and study space...not to mention chapel pews.

Then, in the summer of 1958 (or 1956 or 1957), we simply closed up our tuck boxes...and left. Some of us maintained contact with the School through the OMs Club, attended formal and informal

OM events. Played rugby or cricket or golf or sailed together. Others, sadly, disappeared. Of the original 104 who showed up on the Ridgeway, contact details exist for only about half our number. Who are you in touch with? What news do you have of our contemporaries?

So today, as we reach a significant milestone in our lives, we're trying to re-establish contact with as many of our lost class members as we can. To remember the good times. To say hello to old friends. And even to put together a special event to celebrate our 75th birthdays...for if not now, when?

The OMs Club Annual Dinner this year falls on Friday 10th October. Our goal is to have as many of our special group attend the dinner.. and perhaps an additional special Project 75 event! Please take a look at the names listed – we don't have contact details for them so if you know who they are and where they are, please let Shalaka know. Please get in touch with Shalaka in the Club office if you would like to attend!

**Mike Corby (Winterstoke '58), Roger Holliday (Winterstoke '58), David Short (Murray '55) , Jim Kent (Ridgeway '57)**



# Old Millhillians Day

## Saturday 20th September at Mill Hill School

All OMs and their families/partners are welcome to attend Old Millhillians Day. It is a wonderful opportunity to re visit the School and wander around the beautiful grounds.

- There are several reunions taking place for 1984, 2006 and 2007 leavers in separate areas.
- All OMs are invited to the drinks reception and a complimentary BBQ from midday. Timings will be confirmed.
- The U16a XV will be playing vs The Leys on Top Field so please come along and support them.
- Calling all OMs ladies! We are trying to organise a netball match so if you would like to take part (all abilities welcome) please get in touch with Shalaka. It doesn't matter if you haven't played since you left School – go on – it will be fun! You can bring your supporters too....

## 2006 & 2007 leavers

### Reunion for all OMs who left Mill Hill in 2006 & 2007

It's been seven or eight years respectively since you left School and I'm sure a lot has happened in your lives since then. The Old Millhillians Club would be delighted to invite all 2006 & 2007 leavers back to School for a reunion so you can catch up with Millhillians who some of you may not have met for years! You may not have even been back to visit the School.

Old Millhillians Day is on Saturday 20th of September which would be a great opportunity to have a dedicated reunion at the School for your year groups and partners/children etc. would also be welcome. There will be a complimentary BBQ and a drinks reception with some old school photos on display!

Please take a look at the list of all those OMs that we have no contact details for. If you know any of them or have their email addresses, please ask them to get in touch with the Club office so we can keep them in the loop. We want as many people as possible from your year groups to attend to really make it a successful reunion so please spread the word.

# 2006

# 2007

## Reunion for all OMs who left Mill Hill in 1984

It has just dawned on us that it is in fact 30 years in July since we left Mill Hill School; shocking news indeed!

I am in touch with a few of my contemporaries from our year group and have suggested that we should make an effort to have a get together to commemorate our 30 year anniversary.

Old Millhillians Day is on Saturday 20th of September which would be a great opportunity to have a dedicated reunion at the School for our year group and our partners/wives/children etc., would also be welcome. There will be a complimentary BBQ and a drinks reception with some old school photos on display!

Additionally I suggest we should also think about another lunch or dinner that could be arranged between us in the next few months.

Please take a look at the list of OMs in our year group that we have no contact details for. If you know any of them or have their email addresses, please ask them to get in touch with the

Club office so we can keep them in the loop. We want as many people from our year as possible to attend to really make it a successful reunion so spread the word.

Please get in touch with Shalaka in the Club office if you would like to attend.

This is the last chance to celebrate anything before we hit 50!!

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## Do you know any of these OMs?

We don't have contact details, so please get in touch if you have any information.

### 1956

Blackman David  
Briscoe John  
Clarke Rufus  
Cuming Michael  
Davies John  
Fletcher Michael  
Fraser Anthony  
Gosling Philip  
Greenlees Sinclair  
Hadfield Colin  
Harper Anthony  
Hodder Michael  
Howard William  
Hudgell Philip  
Hunt David  
Kos Paul  
Lawrence Alec  
Lewis Robert  
Lilley James  
Meikle David  
Middleton William  
Miller Lewis  
Moore Stuart  
Morgan David  
Nelson Thomas  
Parry Robert  
Platts Geoffrey  
Raphael Adam  
Rees-Williams Morgan  
Rifaat Sayyid  
Robinson Anthony  
Roddy Peter  
Saksena Franklin  
Saunders Stuart  
Semlyen Philip  
Sly Anthony  
Smith Ian  
Sotnick Nicholas  
Spettigue Martin  
Thackray Michael  
Thomas Geoffrey  
Thompson Neville  
Walker John  
Walters David  
Weir Alan  
Whale Giles  
Wills Michael  
Wood Roger

### 1957

Andrews James  
Auld David  
Ault John  
Beckett Michael  
Bolsover William  
Bruce John  
Corkhill James  
Darracott John  
De Mesquita Vivian  
Du Toit Stephen  
Flint Andrew  
Fowler Stuart  
Gilbert Clive  
Goodchild John  
Hill John  
Hillenbrand Peter  
Ivens John  
Karran Stephen  
Lee Timothy  
Mathias Gerald  
Morton James  
Parkhouse Anthony  
Perret Maurice  
Petty David  
Smith Richard  
Tatham Roy  
Webster John  
Wee Wilfred

### 2006

Adams Melissa  
Baker Josh  
Baldock Daniella  
Bean Lorna  
Chang Bill  
Gibson Arthur  
Hadjipateras Constantine  
Joseph Harry  
Landau Gemma  
Liang Liang  
Malmed Oliver  
Mayall James  
Mercado Hannah  
Millet Matthew  
Murarka Nishita  
Ousitsenko Alexandros  
Patel Jigar  
Rebuck Jacob  
Rusch Dorothea  
Shi Jian  
Tan Robin  
Tang Josephine  
Thompson Daniel  
Toubkin Jessica

### 1958

Atkinson Robert  
Bailey Peter  
Baker Nicholas  
Bee Richard  
Bevington Philip  
Bishop Ronald  
Brooke Michael  
Bunzley David  
Cameron James  
Charteris-Johnston Christopher  
Cheadle Neville  
Curry Michael  
Davies John  
Davis Timothy  
Deiches Dennis  
Dunglinsley Barry  
Evans David  
Fowler David  
Gordon Jack  
Gradon Alistair  
Hancock Richard  
Haye Kirby  
Holloway Colin  
Jenkins David  
Loke Carr  
MacDonald Alastair  
Marsh John  
May George  
Millwood Peter  
Na'isa Bello  
Nelson Philip  
Page Norman  
Parry Alan  
Pennington Richard  
Russell Richard  
Russell Gibson  
Scragg Michael  
Waine John  
West Terence  
Wintle Leslie

### 2007

Brown Nicholas  
Falciola Camille  
Gill Thomas  
Hart Alexander  
Ho Shi Yi  
Irzhankenko Maryna  
Joel Karin  
Joel Nathalie  
Kadhim Stephanie  
Kirshbaum Alex  
Korshunova Ekaterina  
Kwan Leo  
Lau Pui Shan  
Lerner Yulia  
Mahajan Sean  
Min Dong Seok  
Nyamichaba Dennis  
Park Sung Kyun  
Shah Birju  
Simon Talia  
Swed Mahmoud  
Takei Rikako  
Wilson Everton

### 1984

Adebayo Ibitayo  
Apostolou Andrew  
Berman Stefan  
Birri Antony  
Black Andrew  
Bolt Sarah  
Breaden Jonathan  
Chamfor Nwi  
Clarke James  
Cohen Howard  
David Gavin  
Dawson Christopher  
Deacock Chantil  
Fürer-Reynolds Charlotte  
Gessler Monique  
Gorman Nigel  
Green James  
Gross Gavin  
Head Sarah  
Hobart Paul  
Jackson Philippa  
Jackson Julie  
Kalsi Atul  
Khan Tito  
Leffman Jonathan  
Lewis Mark  
Maginn Jonathan  
Mahlouji Habib  
Mason Karen  
McDermott Jeremy  
Mestchian Peyman  
Miura Susnam  
Mumtaz Saeed  
Newton David  
Nikolaidis Lakis  
Nizami Onar  
Ouzanian Dickran  
Paris Claire  
Perkins Jeremy  
Petty David  
Rathor Bashir  
Rawlinson Jonathan  
Ruthven-Murray David  
Sartaj Azil  
Seymour Clive  
Shiozawa Hiraki  
Sidbury Philip  
Sievers Nicolas  
Sin Yiu  
Squires Jonathan  
Sullivan Paul  
Summerfield Keith  
Theocharopoulos Joanna  
Treves Toby  
Ukachi-Lois Okeokwu  
Vincent Gary  
Williams Austin  
Williams Imogen  
Wright-Dineen Samuel





## Nobis et Scholae

When last I wrote in Martlet there were three Foundation Schools. Now there are four, following our merger earlier this year with The Mount. We are busily planning for the opening of the Mount Mill Hill International in September 2015 and are delighted to have appointed Mrs Sarah Bellotti as the first Head of our new School. Mrs Bellotti formally takes up her post this September and is looking forward to welcoming the first cohort of pupils from around the world a year later. Another new arrival in September will be Mrs Kate Simon as Head of Grimsdell. She joins us in succession to Mrs Pauline Bennett-Mills who retires after nearly twenty years of distinguished service as Grimsdell's founding Head. We are also delighted that Mr Leon Roberts, currently Deputy Head at Belmont, has been appointed to succeed Mrs Lynn Duncan as Head of the School in September 2015. As well as inheriting a fine School, Mr Roberts will also take charge of the magnificent new Michael Proctor Building, which was formally opened by Lord Winston in early July.

Alongside these major developments within the Foundation, life has continued to be as busy and productive as ever for the pupils at Mill Hill. The focus of recent months has been examination preparation and I have been both delighted and impressed by the seriousness with which so many of our boys and girls have approached their academic work. At the same time, however, they have not neglected to pursue their many other interests. The creative and expressive arts have continued to flourish, with the production of sublime music, impressive artwork, innovative design and compelling drama. The CCF has had another good year, including an excellent Annual General Inspection and Newcastle Competition (won by McClure) and concluding with Beating Retreat and our inaugural Church Parade at which the Chapel Choir sang beautifully.

There have been some impressive performances by our hockey, netball and rounders teams and outstanding successes in fives, tennis and golf. Particularly worthy of note were Charlie Plummer and Jonathan Becker, both Weymouth, who won the Southern Schools' Fives Championship and England under-16 golfer, Priya Pankhania, Priestley, who triumphed in the Southern Schools' Golf Championship. Our cricketers had a superb season, the under-15s being crowned Middlesex Champions and the 1st XI winning twelve out of sixteen matches to record the best statistics in twenty years. It was particularly pleasing to see England youth player Sophia Dunkley, Cedars, become the first ever girl to win a place in the School's 1st XI.

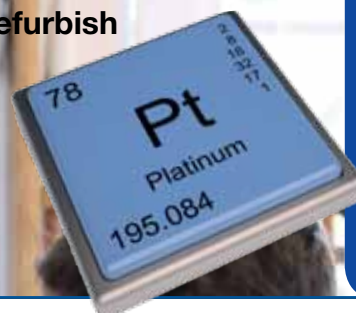
The end of the Summer term marked the culmination of two remarkable Mill Hill careers. Mr Harry Barnes served as a Housemaster, Head of Department, CCF Commanding Officer and member of the School's Management Team. In all those roles, he demonstrated a huge appetite for innovation and a real desire to help pupils achieve their full potential. He has done us great service and I wish him well for the many new projects that he has planned for his retirement.

Meanwhile, Mr Peter McDonough, the Registrar, retired after long and distinguished service at both Belmont and Mill Hill. His effectiveness in marketing and recruiting pupils into the Foundation was based around his passion for all things Millhillian. Once pupils arrived at the School, they discovered him to be an enthusiastic and inspiring teacher of History and someone always keen to promote discussion, debate and intellectual inquiry through enterprises such as the Hot Topics lunchtime debates and the School's Lecture Series. He will be sorely missed and I wish him well for a long and happy retirement.

**Dr Dominic Luckett**

## The Foundation Appeal's 'Add you DNA' Campaign continues to support science at Mill Hill.

**Buy your element and help refurbish the Chemistry laboratories.**  
**email: [appeal@millhill.org.uk](mailto:appeal@millhill.org.uk)**



## Alford House

We are pleased to say that our membership continues to grow and we increased membership during 2013/2014 by 16%. 459 Young people were registered with the Club by the end of March 2014.

Our busy Friday night programme has on several occasions seen over 80 young people come through the door for the three hour programme of activity.

During these Club nights young people take part in a variety of activities, including, football, unihoc, cricket, badminton, snooker, art, music production, cooking, information and communication technology, and health and fitness training.

Our health and fitness activity has been a highlight of the Club's programme for over four years now and has engaged over 500 young people. After only a short period of time members are confident enough to access the facility and work on their personal programmes with minimal intervention from the fitness instructors. They also engage in nutritional works hops with the fitness instructors.

Away from the Club, members have the opportunity to take part in sporting competitions, outdoor pursuit weekends and even



trips out of the country. This included a weeklong trip to Italy, in April, with other youth clubs and projects from across London. Two of our members went on to complete the 'Excel' programme and gained the Snow Sport England Level 1 Qualification that allows them to teach other young people how to ski.

Our big news is that the Trustees have approved proposals for developing the site. Offers have been sought for the entire site with provision being made for a new Club being built alongside housing. Several indicative offers have been obtained in the past month and we have instructed our agents to obtain two more. At the time of writing, these indicative bids demonstrate that there is the possibility of securing new Club premises together with a sizable sale price that has the potential to produce the long term sustainable income that we seek.

We would again like to thank all those who have given so generously to the Club over the past year. If you do not already have a standing order with us, or would like to make your first donation you can do so through our website at [www.alfordhouse.org.uk](http://www.alfordhouse.org.uk) or e-mail Nigel Baker at [nigel@alfordhouse.org.uk](mailto:nigel@alfordhouse.org.uk) for further details.

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## Foundation Appeal

Supporting educational excellence  
at Mill Hill, Belmont and Grimsdell

## Martlet delivers!

In the last edition of Martlet I wrote about the **A Better Chance Bursary** campaign with the words: "If you benefitted from a bursary or know anyone who did, please consider joining those who already support this initiative." In the first week of 2014, we received the promise of a six-figure sum towards the bursary campaign which, the donor (himself such a beneficiary) tells me, was entirely motivated by those words in Martlet. This year we have also received a six-figure sum as the result of a legacy left by John Plant (Collinson 1939-43).

One-off major gifts such as these are fantastic but are not every day occurrences. Many Old Millhillians benefitted from bursaries, assisted places or other support or know people who did. The large-scale participation by Old Millhillians in the future at whatever level will be vitally important in giving others the chance for a Mill Hill education. (There are over 8000 Old Millhillians. Every 100 giving the equivalent of a pint of beer, glass of wine or large cappuccino a week would fund a day pupil through the School.) In the autumn you will be receiving information about initiatives to take the A Better Chance Bursary campaign to its next level and we hope that as many as possible will take part. The establishment of a robust and sustainable bursary resource is the major objective

for our fundraising in the near future now that the campaign for the Michael Proctor Building at Belmont has virtually finished. This was the first major capital campaign since the establishment of the development office on a permanent basis in 2006. Its success in raising in excess of £550,000 and thus making a major contribution to the funding of the project will I am sure lead to campaigns in the future! Meanwhile we continue to support important projects at Mill Hill, in particular the final stages of the refurbishment of the Science Building. Roger Graham (Collinson 1952-57) has long recognised the importance of inspiring pupils in their scientific interests at school and has made a major gift towards this. There is still a chance for more Old Millhillians to Add your DNA by owning an element; these start from £100.

I enjoyed spending time with the Old Millhillians Club President at jointly-organised events in Florida and New York. There is great interest in NW7 amongst alumni in the USA. While the numbers actually attending events are not high, the very fact that they exist encourages this interest and generates dialogue with the School, the Club and amongst alumni. This interest is exemplified by the OM who, in 2013 took a 3000 mile road trip and the one who in 2014, took an 18 hour bus trip to attend events. Old Millhillians in the USA are combining to fund an **ABC Bursary** place, a great example of how connected they feel.

Our new website will also be live in the autumn. For more information about the **A Better Chance Bursaries** or how to 'Add your DNA' or any other aspect of the fundraising, do visit it ([www.millhill.org.uk/appeal](http://www.millhill.org.uk/appeal)) or contact me directly.

**Nick Priestnall**

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## Merchandise Price List

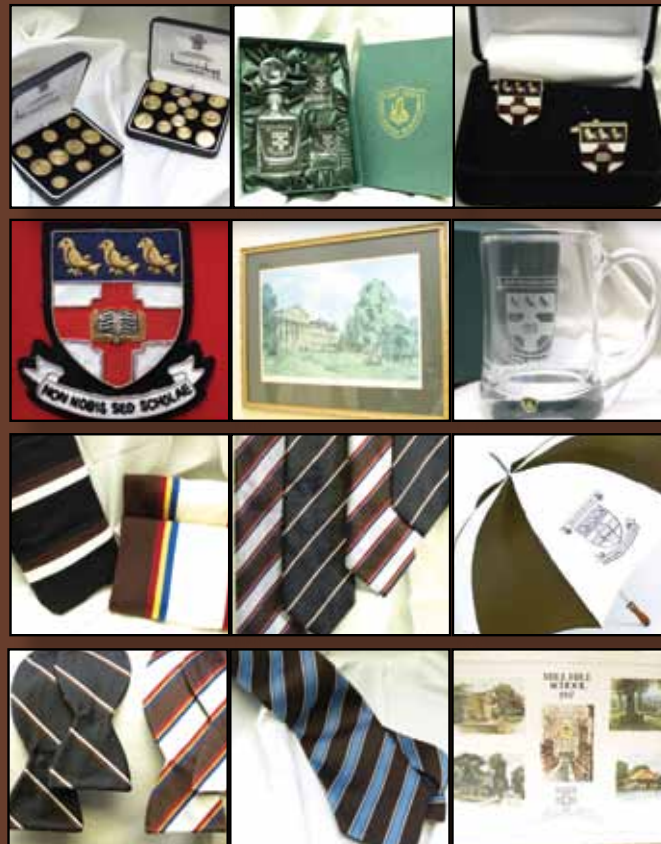
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Country & Town	£25.00
Extra long	£27.50
Non crease	£30.00
Silk untied bow ties	£17.00
Cufflinks - Enamel	£10.00
Sturgeon print of MHS (unframed)	£50.00
Mill Hill School 1907 (unframed)	£10.00
Blazer buttons 6S 4L	£49.00
Blazer buttons 8S 6L	£65.00
Crystal Tankard	£25.00
Hat Band	£2.00
Golf Umbrella	£32.00
Blazer Badges	£12.00

### Top Terrace from the Quad

By Tim Corbett.

A fine art print on quality paper.

Size 12" x 15" **£18.00** + postage



## Howard Shone, MHS 1914-18

The archive has recently been given over 50 letters from Howard to his parents and siblings. The family lived near Liverpool and Howard was very homesick. He frequently asked his parents to take him out of the school: he disliked many things and was particularly shocked by the 'dirty' talk of some of his fellow pupils! Unfortunately, the letters only cover his first year and a few months before the end of his schooling, by which time he didn't want to leave! Because his time at MHS coincided with the first world war, there are lots of references of interest; he and his colleagues visited the Hendon aerodrome quite often and he refers to national events such as the unexplained loss of the pilot Gustav Hamel in May 1914 and the sinking of the 'Cressy' in September 1914. He hated the OTC at first but changed his mind and soon reported that he handled his rifle well; in September 1914 he said that the sergeant-major of the OTC was run over by a car and died. He gives a lot of information about various sporting activities and became very enthusiastic about the game of fives. Any old Millhillian is welcome to come and see the letters [ref QSHO1].

Kate Thompson, Foundation Archivist

## The John Wright oral history archive

As a result of meeting John, sadly just before he died, I was given permission to set up an oral history archive, whereby old Millhillians would be interviewed by a current sixth-form pupil about their memories of being at school. We now have about a dozen pupils wishing to be involved, thanks to the enthusiastic support of Mark Dickinson, and a handful of OMs willing to be interviewed; the project will start in September. The message is being disseminated as widely as possible but if anyone reading this would like to take part, please contact me (details below); at first the interviews will be conducted on school premises but for anyone living some distance away, we may be able to use Skype. I am grateful to Nick Priestnall and other colleagues, the OMs Room and several individuals for their support for the project. The completed interviews will ultimately be made available for OMs and others who are interested to listen to.

Kate Thompson, Foundation Archivist, katet@millhill.org.uk

## New Merchandise available to buy on OMs Day – 20th September!

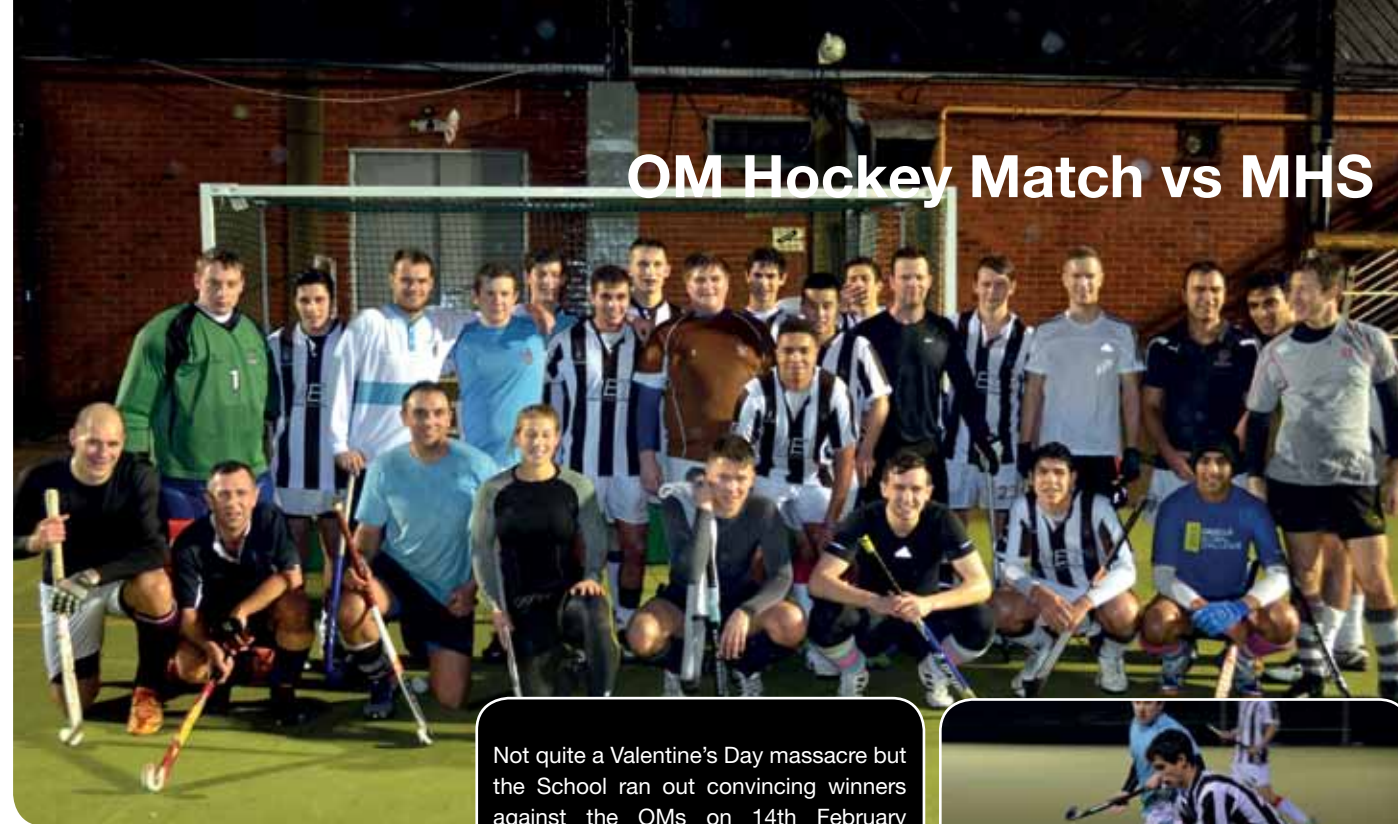
The Club has been keen to broaden the appeal of its merchandise to younger OMs, and to introduce a range of items for ladies. Deputy Head Peter McDonough and Marketing Assistant and OM Paula Sanchez kindly agreed to lead a project with the help of a number of Sixth Formers and we have been incredibly lucky to have had advice and support from the design and production team at 'Ted Baker', whose founder is a school parent.

The Sixth Formers have designed a range of contemporary products yet still in keeping with the Club colours and we are thrilled with the design of the ladies pashmina and silk square and men's scarf and we hope OMs will be too. There is also a canvas bag which has a myriad of uses.

All new merchandise will be launched and available to purchase on OMs day on 20th September.







## OM Hockey Match vs MHS

Not quite a Valentine's Day massacre but the School ran out convincing winners against the OMs on 14th February slotting in 3 goals in sometimes monsoon conditions. OMs fought hard but could not breakdown the solid school defence. Despite the conditions both sides enjoyed the encounter. OMs look forward to the re-match.



# SPORT

## GOLF



### OMs v School cricket match

Blessed with a glorious summer's day, the school welcomed a team of OMs to the Parks pavilion for what was an exciting day's cricket. The school captain, Douglas McDougall, won the toss and elected to bat. Initially, the Old Boys dished out an astonishing bowling display which knocked the school onto the back foot, but after a rocky start, the school fought back, putting on a competitive total of 138 all out. Pascal and Benedict Relf opened the batting for the OMs and played well until the opening bowlers found a way through after which the OMs rustiness with the bat was evident and wickets fell at a brisk pace. Many of the school side showed exceptional talent bearing in mind they were only 15 years old.

**Ben Abrahams (Murray 2005-10)**

Mill Hill strode out to Royal St Georges on Thursday lunchtime and 3 hours later, it was clear that a tight match was ensuing and we were through – slightly against the odds but not against our own expectations.

Round 2 against Repton, previous winners, quarter finalists last year and ranked number 12. We were ranked 50th out of 64! It soon became apparent that we were actually competing pretty closely with them. There were shock waves in the clubhouse at Sandwich as the OMs had beaten Repton. As we walked back we were naturally delighted but knew we would probably be playing Charterhouse in the next round – the greatest of all Hewitt schools with something like 18 wins. They had a tough match against Whitgift, but would surely win that – they didn't!

Round 3 - one of the great Hewitt shocks had happened – Mill Hill beat Whitgift in the 3rd round!

We heard that there were hilarious scenes in the bar at Deal with the blazer brigade of Schools such as Eton, Harrow and Charterhouse (none of whom were in the last 8), looking out to the 18th green in horror at the thought that Mill Hill might actually win and get further than their schools.



### OM Golfing Society – Autumn Weekend 2014

Friday 12th-Sunday 14th September 2014

The quarter final was our last hurrah – probably because we had such little time to prepare, we got off to a terrible start and most of the matches were significantly down by the 9th. Though Nunn and Brandt fought valiantly to the 18th, ultimately the match was over quite quickly, but it couldn't diminish our great achievements in beating 3 schools all ranked significantly above us.

Anything can happen in foursomes matchplay! Our future chances rest on new (not necessarily young) people who feel they can compete, trying to make

the team. It is a few days worth of free golf at Royal St Georges and Royal Cinque Ports and I am sure there are OM golfers that one of you knows who might put themselves forward to play in future years.

It would be great if we could find some extra players to make the "squad" who wanted to experience it too. Special thanks to Gordon Hawes who came back day after day to support!

**Jeremy Bohn (1984-89)**

### OM Deaths

*\* exact date of death not known*

Surname	First Name	Date of Death	House	School Dates
Chivers	John	01/01/1960*	School House	1940 1940
Chivers	William Noel	01/01/2006	School House	1935 1940
Falconer	Alexander Peter	01/01/2014*	Burton Bank	1948 1952
Galan	Geoffrey Nigel	01/01/2014*	Weymouth	1959 1964
Hall	Peter	01/01/2014*	Winterstoke	1979 1983
Henderson	George Robert Michael	13/12/2013	Weymouth	1955 1960
Hickman	Peter	01/01/2014*	Collinson	1938 1940
Hope	Michael George Anthony	19/02/2014	Ridgeway	1959 1964
Long	Alan William	01/02/2014	Collinson	1947 1952
Owen	David Gordon	24/12/2013	Winterstoke	1952 1957
Reid	John Philip	20/04/2014	Burton Bank	1968 1975
Shooter	Reginald Arthur	24/12/2013	Winterstoke	1930 1934
Thomas	Iwan Richard	01/03/2013*	Ridgeway	1951 1955
Virani	Rajio Jayantili	11/03/2014	Murray	1978 1984
Arthur	John Rhys	17/01/2014	Scrutton	1936 1941
Bunyard	Timothy William	04/01/2014	Burton Bank	1963 1968
Cranwell	John Herbert	29/05/2014	Winterstoke	1948 1953
Cuckney	John Alan	04/07/2011	Scrutton	1958 1963
Fox	Clive Jan	07/04/2014	Scrutton	1957 1962
Hicklin	William Duncan	19/04/2014	Ridgeway	1935 1940
Knights	Christopher William	07/04/2014	Scrutton	1958 1962
Mann	Francis	03/02/2014	Murray	1959 1964
McNeil	George Hedley Kenneth	28/03/2014	Scrutton	1938 1942
Milligan	Angus Livingstone	10/12/2013	Day Boy	1930 1934
Wright	Thomas John	09/01/2014	Priestley	1934 1939

Obituaries for His Hon Judge Arthur, Tim Bunyard, John Cranwell, Clive Fox and T John Wright are available from the Club office or the Club website.



# Annual Dinner 2014



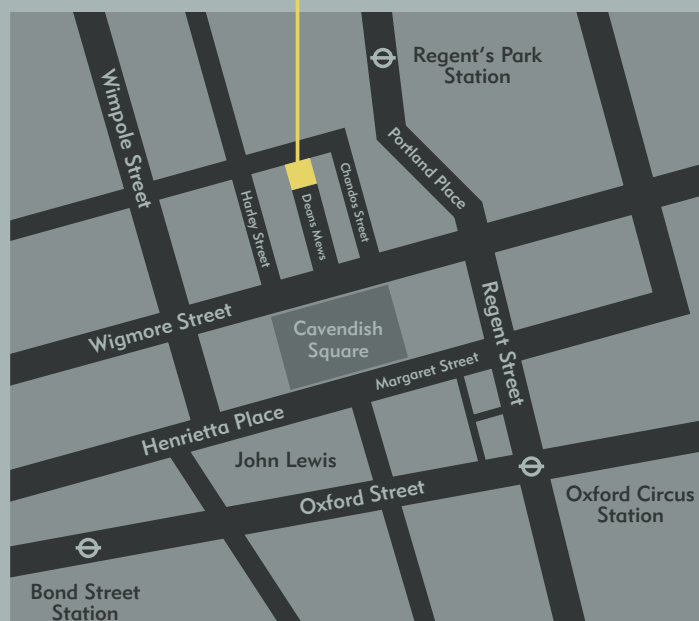
**Friday 10th October**  
11 Cavendish Square  
London W1G 0AN

**Time:** 6.15pm for 7.15pm  
(cash bar until midnight)

**Price:** Members **£86.00**  
Non members **£89.50**  
Junior members (26 and under) **£52.50**

**Dress:** Black tie  
Free Parking after 6.30pm

KING'S FUND ENTRANCE IN DEANS MEWS



## Forthcoming Events 2014

**20th September** Old Millhillians Day  
MHS

**27th September** OMC Toronto Dinner  
John Oldroyd

**10th October** Annual Dinner  
11 Cavendish Square

**7th November** Totteridge Millhillians Fireworks Display

**7th November** NW Dinner  
St James's Club, Manchester

**11th November** Armistice Day  
MHS

**21st November** SW Dinner  
Somerset Cricket Club, Taunton

**28th November** Golf AGM & Annual Dinner  
Home House, London

**17th December** YOMS Xmas Drinks  
Adam & Eve pub, Mill Hill