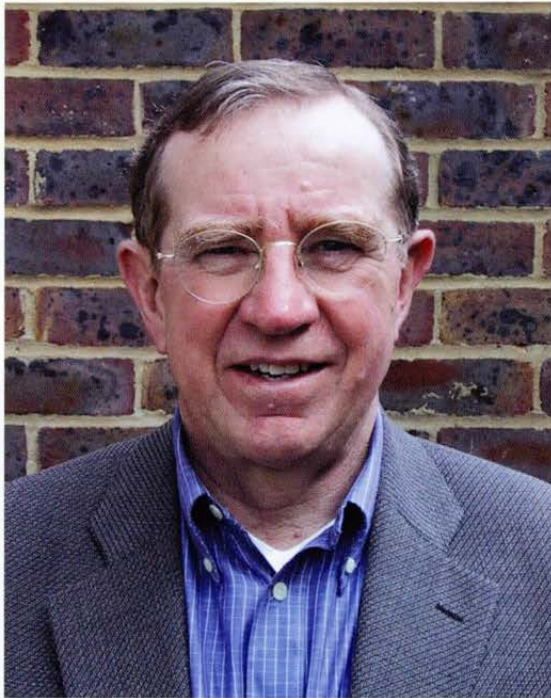




Old King's Club



H M G KING - OKC CHAIRMAN 2001

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top Schools class locomotive 931 'King's Wimbledon' at Waterloo Station (see article in this Newsletter). *Photo copyright National Railway Museum.*

bottom Model of the locomotive.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

OLD KING'S CLUB

10th May 2001	School Careers Advisors' evening
23rd June 2001	Commemoration Day
22nd September 2001	Gaudy for the 1950 - 1959 leavers - see below
16th November 2001	OKC Annual Dinner at the School - see below
12th January 2002	OKC Annual General Meeting

There will be no OKC Sports Day this year, but there will be more opportunities for sports activities on Commemoration Day.

SCHOOL

Summer term begins on Thursday 19th April and ends on Wednesday 4th July. Half term is Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June 2001.

Autumn term begins on Monday 3rd September and ends on Friday 14th December. Half term is Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October 2001.

GAUDY FOR THE 1950 - 1959 LEAVERS

Old Boys who left King's at any time between 1950 and 1959 (both years inclusive) will be receiving an invitation to a Gaudy at the School, to be held on Saturday, 22nd September, 2001. Unfortunately we no longer have the current addresses for a number of OKC members who left during this period; a list of those whose present address is not known to us is given towards the end of this edition of the Newsletter. **Please look through this list, and if you know the current address of any of these members, or any other information about them, please write to the Hon Secretary, and let him know.**

OKC ANNUAL DINNER

Advance notice

This year our Annual Dinner will be held in the School Dining Hall

The date is

Friday 16th November 2001

Please make a note in your diaries now, to be sure that you do not miss this event. Full details and an application form will be included in the next Newsletter, which will be sent to you in October 2001.

OLD KING'S CLUB: OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT: Sir Robert Andrew KCB

PAST PRESIDENT: R M Reeve

VICE PRESIDENTS:

R B Armitage (1991), L R Barkey (1985), M Barron (1996), D D C Belchamber (1986), J C Burr (1987), K A Collyer (1974), R E Dawson (1979), R F Diacon (1983), P K Gerhold (1984), J D E Hamilton (1983), A D Hein (1986), J Keeling (1987), H R Lewis OBE (1969), R G Mathews (1995), D M Maxton MBE (1970), E A Stokes (1996), C Taylor (1973), N R Topping (1984). Year of election shown in brackets

CHAIRMAN: H M G King

HON SECRETARY: B J Stokes

HON TREASURER: P J Grant FCA

Elected members: C L Day, P L Gibbins, R J Hudson, H M G King, A G P Lang, S G Morgan, G C McGinn, D W Parry, S K Tester

Representatives of Accredited Activities:

Cricket: D A P Bowen

Cross Country: J P H Smith

Fencing: D G Tilles

Golf:

Hockey: R T H Carter

Karate: A Khairallah

Rifle Club: R J Hudson

Rugby Club: N M Crockford

Soccer: J Parrish

Squash: M T Williamson

Swimming: P J de C Newman

Tennis: C G Diacon

KCS Lodge: H M G King

Trustees of the Old King's Club: M Barron, L E Glover, A D Hein

Trustees of the Invested Funds: M Barron, D W Parry, M A Smith

Hon Auditors: J H Hole, G P N Phillips ACA

Benevolent Fund:

Management Board: L R Barkey (Chairman and Trustee), A C V Evans (Head Master, KCS), M Barron, J D E Hamilton (Trustee), A D Hein (co-opted), R Lowndes, R J Morris (Treasurer and Trustee), L D Peters, D V Smedley, C Taylor (Trustee)

Careers for School Leavers:

Old King's Club Adviser: J G Robson, 27 Westminster Gardens, Marsham Street, Westminster, London SW1P 4JD (020 7828 9576)

SECRETARY'S NOTES

CLUB OFFICE

The Old King's Club office is in the Lodge (next to the Sports Hall) and is open on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm; callers are welcome. Our telephone number is 020 8255 5390. In addition, messages can be left during School hours on any day with the School switchboard operator on 020 8255 5300; you can fax us at any time on 020 8255 5439, or send an e-mail to okc@kcs.org.uk.

SCHOOL SHOP

A wide range of OKC items is available from the School Shop in the Lodge. A list of these, together with the opening hours and other information, is given at the end of this Newsletter.

THE NEWSLETTER

This issue of the Newsletter was edited by B J Stokes. Contributions for future issues are always welcome, and should be sent to The Editor, Old King's Club, King's College School, Wimbledon, London SW19 4TT; or they may be faxed to 020 8255 5439 or sent by e-mail to okc@kcs.org.uk. Material for inclusion in the next issue, to be published in October 2001, must reach the Editor by 1st. September 2001.

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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

At the Committee meeting on 6th March 2001, H M G King (1959) was elected Chairman of the Old King's Club, in succession to Mark Francis who resigned last year when he moved to Geneva. The following is a letter from the new Chairman to members of the Club.

It is always an honour to be elected by one's peers to serve them as leader even if, when you thank them for the confidence they have shown in you, they reply "it is not a matter of confidence".

I was reluctant to take on the job feeling, as no doubt all of you do, that one's life was fully committed, but those honeyed words, delivered by experts at their craft, are very persuasive.

I have no doubt that the chairman of the Old King's Club is worthwhile job to do. It is a matter of believing that the school is worth supporting and that the Old King's Club can be effective in supporting the school and helping to build the reputation of the school. Even in these days the reputation of our former school reflects on us throughout our lives and a strong and supportive former pupils association adds to the reputation of the school.

The Old King's Club supports the school, through bursaries from the Benevolent Fund, with help on careers advice, and maintaining contact with former pupils.

We feel that our contact with members has two dimensions, one is to provide opportunities for social intercourse between members, and the other is fundraising. We see the social dimension as being the most important of our functions.

I do enjoy meeting those from King's. I find that the values of the school and its former pupils have remained remarkably constant over the decades, so that whether meeting youngsters fresh from school, or oldsters in their nineties we all have a common bond. Typical is the response I got when as treasurer of the Rugby Club I was trying to get a gentleman to increase his standing order to the full subscription. I received a reply written on his behalf saying that he was now 92 years old and felt that he had "done his bit" for the OK Rugger Club. Courteous, reasonable, witty, and to the point!

Many of you already do give much valued support to the school and the Old King's Club and all I can ask is that, when the call comes, "ask not what the Old King's Club can do for you etc etc".

Best Wishes to you all.
Micky King
KCJS-KCS 1950-1959

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

13th January, 2001

The Annual General Meeting was held at 11.30 a.m. on the 13th January 2001, in Collyer Hall.

Present:
The President Sir Robert Andrew
Chairman J G Robson
Hon. Secretary B J Stokes
Hon. Treasurer P J Grant
and about 30 members.

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs M Armitage, M Barron, C L Day, V J Farley, J H H Gladstone, and R M Reeve.

1. The minutes of the last AGM, held on the 15th January 2000, were circulated in Newsletter No 96, April 2000, on pages 3-6, and copies were available at the meeting. Tony Stokes proposed and Richard Armitage seconded that they be approved. All agreed and they were signed by the President. There were no matters arising.

2. Hon Secretary's report

During the year since the last Annual General Meeting your Committee has met on five occasions, the first of these being under the Chairmanship of Mark Francis. Mark was shortly to move to a new job in Geneva, and because of this he then resigned his membership of the OKC Committee. He had served on the Committee for 18 years, being Chairman for the last two of these, and we thank him most warmly for all his efforts on our behalf over this long period.

Our President, Sir Robert Andrew, took the Chair at the second Committee Meeting, during which the Committee unanimously elected Gordon Robson to chair the remaining three meetings. We are most grateful to Gordon for agreeing to return to this office at short notice.

Much of the work of the Committee consists of routine matters concerned with the day-to-day activities of the Club, but amongst these this year has been a consideration of the Club's cooperation with the School's new Development Director, David Bradley. One of our stated objects, in our constitution, is "to promote united action amongst Old Boys of KCS for the good of the School"; another is "generally to further any scheme for advancing the honour or well-being of the School and its past and present members". In keeping with these objects the Committee is, of course, wholeheartedly in support of the activities of the Development Office; discussion in the Committee has centred on the best means of achieving this in a manner of benefit both to the Club and the School.

To fill vacancies on the Committee we have co-opted three new members, Christopher Day, Stephen Morgan, and Stephen Tester. Their election to the Committee is to be proposed later in the meeting.

The Club activities followed their usual course during the year 2000, starting with the School Careers Evening on May 11th. On this occasion some 100 Old Boy careers advisors, organised by Gordon Robson, gave help and advice to about 140 members of the Lower Sixth form. Each boy is able to have advice on two careers, and talks, on a one-to-one basis, last about half an hour each.

Commemoration Day on Saturday 24th June saw the Old Boys playing the School at Cricket, Fencing, and Tennis, and we thank the School for providing a marquee and teas for Old Boys and their families. We were pleased to see a number of Old Boys who came to the Dalziel Room for a chat during the afternoon.

The Hon Secretary represented the OKC at the School Leavers Lunch on July 5th to welcome some 115 new members. All new members are given an information pack about the Club, and an OKC tie. The opportunity is also taken to encourage those few leavers who are not already members of the Club to join.

The Gaudy this year, held on Saturday 23rd September, was for all those who left King's at any time before the end of 1949. Over 130 Old Boys attended this highly successful reunion, together with about 15 members of the School staff, past and present. The guests were given a tour of the School, being taken round in small groups by prefects. For many, it was their first visit for a very long time, and the large number of new buildings, and the many new facilities now available were the subject of much comment and interest. Guests then enjoyed a splendid lunch provided by the School Dining Hall staff, and spent the afternoon talking to old friends.

The OKC Sports Day was held on Sunday 24th September, and attracted a small number of enthusiasts, who took part in a morning of cross country, squash, or fencing, followed by a buffet lunch in the Mathews room in the Sports Hall. It is to be hoped that greater numbers will be encouraged to come in future years, as those that do take part certainly have an enjoyable time.

The annual OKC Dinner took place on Friday 17th November, this year being held at the Clubhouse at Motspur Park. Over 70 members enjoyed an excellent dinner provided by a leading London caterer. The guest speaker was Bob Ayling, who stood in at short notice when the original speaker was unable to attend, and the Head Master gave an interesting and witty report of the activities of the School. Our thanks go to Richard Armitage for organising the catering, Tony Stokes for acting as Dinner Secretary, and Paddy Ralston for serving behind the bar.

The School Remembrance Service was held on Friday 10th November, when Sir Robert Andrew laid a wreath on behalf of the OKC.

For the third year running, we have sent out a questionnaire to all those of our members who have

completed the first year of their University course. We ask for their opinions of the courses that they are pursuing, and any advice they may have to offer to the present Sixth Form concerning choice of course, and of College. The response has been good, the content has been most helpful, and the replies are made available to boys in the Careers Room. Comments have ranged from the strictly academic, for example, "...those doing PPE at Oxford will benefit greatly from having done Maths A level..." to the intensely practical, for example, "...St Andrews is cold in winter, and short people will do better here than tall ones, because they offer less wind resistance...."!

The various accredited activities have continued during the year. Reports on their progress are given in the Newsletter, so I will just mention a few highlights here.

King's Cormorants is the name given to our very active and successful swimming club. Like the Old Boys Rugby, it is an open club, attracting members from outside the School. Its secretary is Philip Newman. Members train regularly in the School pool, and enter for a remarkable number of swimming competitions throughout Britain. Their interest also extends to Europe, 3 members having participated at the World Masters event in Munich this year, one of whom gained no fewer than 5 gold medals. Because of their success they attract affiliates of a high standard from other clubs, and are greatly to be congratulated.

The Rifle Club is another very active Old Boys' group, holding regular monthly meetings giving opportunities for a variety of types of shooting. Guest or visitor days are included, as well as social functions. The secretary of the club is Richard Hudson. The Club regularly entertains boys from the School at their shoots, and efforts are currently being made to regularise and expand this feature of their activities.

This year has seen the formation of a Karate Club, under the secretaryship of Amin Khairallah. Its first meeting was held at the end of the year, and we look forward to its development with interest.

Sadly I must report the death of a number of members of the Club during the year, three of which I should like to mention here.

Dorothy Roberts, an Honorary Life Member, died in June aged 92. She was the much-loved matron of the School Boarding House from 1936 until her retirement in 1973, and since that time she had lived close to the School. She is remembered with affection by generations of Boarders.

John Hatherley, also an Honorary Life Member, died in November aged 74. John taught Economics at the School from 1972 until his retirement in 1987. He was born and educated in South Africa, gaining degrees in both Cape Town University and the Witwatersrand, and came to this country in 1955. In addition to his teaching, he will be remembered for his active support of the Liberal Party, and above all for his warm and friendly personality.

Gordon Walter, who died in May just two months short of his one hundredth birthday, was a Vice President of the OKC. He had been Head Boy of the School, and Head of Wimbledon House 1918-19, and was to go on to play a major part in the development of the Old King's Club. As a leading Club cricketer he founded the OK Cricket Club in 1932, and was a founder member of the Rugby Club. He was elected Vice President in 1988 as the oldest surviving member of the OKC Committee, and in recognition of his lifetime of support for the Club.

The OKC has published the usual two Newsletters during the year, containing reports of Club social and sporting activities, news of our members, information from the Archives, and feature articles. During the year we have included a round-up of news from our members in Australia, and articles ranging from Anthony Lawrence's account of his life as a BBC correspondent in Hong Kong to William Harris's account of his climb up Aconcagua. Further such articles are promised for the future! The Newsletter has a circulation of about 2300; another 2500 members receive an 'annual mailing' giving notice of the AGM and other forthcoming activities, together with brief news of the School and the Old Boys. These numbers have increased slightly over last year, following efforts to track down missing addresses, which are slowly bearing fruit.

Finally, may I record my thanks to Marie Armitage, Gordon Robson, and Tony Stokes for all their hard work in the Club Office, and to Sir Robert Andrew for his continued support and advice, which is much appreciated.

Mr President, that concludes my report for the year 2000.

3. Hon Treasurer's report and accounts for the year ended 31st August 2000

Peter Grant presented his report on the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2000. He highlighted the apparent drop in life subscriptions, and drew attention to Note 2 to the accounts explaining the new system of receiving the subscriptions.

The income included a legacy of £1,000 from the estate of Alan Wells, who had done sterling work for the Club

during his lifetime, and his generosity was rightly acknowledged.

The expenses were substantially lower following the renewal of computers and software in the previous year. There was also a large reduction in the interest paid to the School in respect of the loan received to assist the development of the Clubhouse.

The Treasurer reported that the loan had been fully repaid since the accounting year end, and Roger Mathews, who was Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Governing Body at the time the loan was made, congratulated the Committee on its early repayment.

The Treasurer thanked the Honorary Auditors Graham Phillips and John Hole for their continuing support. The meeting was then opened to questions on the accounts, but none was forthcoming.

Note: If any member of the OKC would like to have a copy of the audited accounts of the Old King's Club he or she should apply to the Hon Secretary.

4. Elections

(i) The Chairman, Gordon Robson, proposed that Sir Robert Andrew KCB, be re-elected President, and that the Hon Secretary, Bryan Stokes and the Hon Treasurer, Peter Grant also be re-elected. The proposal was seconded by Len Barkey and approved unanimously.

(ii) The President, Sir Robert Andrew, then introduced the following elections:

(a) **Trustees.** The present trustees of the invested funds, David Parry, Mark Smith, and Michael Barron, and the trustees of the Old King's Club, Michael Barron, Laurie Glover, and Tony Hein were standing for re-election. Their re-election was proposed by John Hamblin and seconded by Len Barkey, and all agreed.

(b) **Committee members.** The retiring members were Robin Bannister and David Parry. Robin Bannister did not wish to continue on the Committee, but David Parry offered himself for re-election. Christopher Day, Stephen Morgan, and Stephen Tester had been nominated by the Committee, and no other nominations had been received. Their election was proposed by Micky King and seconded by Tony Stokes, and all agreed.

(c) **Honorary Life Members.** The Committee recommended that Michael Barry and Andrew Lang, both Honorary Members,

be elected Honorary Life Members, following their retirement from the School teaching staff; this was proposed by Mathew Rowson and seconded by David Cowie.

(d) **Honorary Members.** The Committee recommended that the circulated list of Honorary Members be re-elected, and in addition the following be elected: Prof. Margaret Brown and Sir Nigel Wicks, both members of the School Governing Body of long standing; J C S Priston, the School Bursar; S N Hollands, F S McKeown, and S Tint, who have been members of the School teaching staff for more than five years; Mrs P Bailey and Mrs E Marshall, members of the Dining Hall Staff for many years; and Mrs Jane Asher, a long-standing and especially successful member of King's Cormorants, the Old Boys' Swimming Club. Micky King proposed, and John Hamilton seconded this election, and all agreed.

5. Election of Honorary auditors

The Committee recommended that the present auditors, G P N Phillips and J H Hole be re-elected. This was proposed by Peter Grant and seconded by Richard Armitage, and all agreed.

6. Benevolent Fund

In presenting his report on the activities of the Benevolent fund, the Chairman, Len Barkey, took the meeting through the accounts for the year ended 5th April 2000. He pointed out that the Fund was in a healthy position, and, bringing it up-to-date, said that the total assets now stood at around £141,000. Although the Fund is not being called upon for support at the moment, he said, it nevertheless remains available to provide financial help towards fees for families of boys in the School, and in particular for boys about to transfer into the Sixth Form. Any requests should be addressed to the Head Master in the first instance.

Adoption of the report was proposed by Peter Levelle and seconded by Peter Grant.

Note: If any member of the OKC would like to have a copy of the audited accounts of the Benevolent Fund he or she should apply to the Hon Secretary.

7. Election of Trustees, Officers, and Members of the Management Board of the Benevolent Fund

The Committee recommended the re-election of the present Management Board, consisting of Len Barkey

(Chairman and trustee), Michael Barron (member), John Hamilton (member and trustee), Tony Hein (member), Robert Lowndes (member), Richard Morris (Treasurer and trustee), Dennis Peters (member), David Smedley (member), and Cavan Taylor (member and trustee). The Head Master and the Treasurer of the OKC are *ex officio* members of the Board.

Approval was proposed by Roy Dawson and seconded by Sidney Cowherd, and all agreed.

8. Other resolutions

No other resolutions had been submitted.

9. Subscription rates

There were no changes to the subscription rates proposed at this time.

10. Any other business

Peter Levelle mentioned the increasing importance of e-mails as a means of keeping in contact, especially amongst the younger members, and asked if the Club was bearing this in mind. The Hon Secretary replied that the Club was already considering the introduction of a directory of e-mail addresses as part of the Old Boys section of the School web site.

The President announced that the next Annual General Meeting would be held on January 12th, 2002. In the absence of any other business he then declared the meeting closed, and invited all present to drinks in the Cotman Gallery.

SCHOOL NEWS

EXTRACTS FROM THE HEAD MASTER'S NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 2000

Common Room

Michael Jenkins, who has been Director of Music since 1979, has moved within the Department to the position of Master of the Choral Foundation. I should like to record here our thanks to **Mrs Annie Lee**, who has been Acting Director of Music this term and who will stay at KCS next term to help see in the new Director of Music, **James Millard**. Mr Millard was educated at Framlingham College and Durham University. He joins us from Abingdon school and prior to that was Assistant Director of Music at Brentwood School.

At Christmas we bade farewell to **Craig Langley**, who joined KCS to teach PE and Games in 1944 and who has been appointed Director of Sport at Sunderland High school. Craig has played a major role in rugby, athletics, basketball, and soccer. He has served Kingsley as Assistant Housemaster and acted as the Senior School representative on the Committee of the Friends of KCS. He will be succeeded in the PE Department for the next two terms by **Benjamin Edmondson**, who joins us from Wellington College; **Miss Fleur Cramoisan** will be taking over as Assistant Housemaster of Kingsley.

Ben Giles will be taking two terms' leave from January to July in order to develop and broaden his experience with activities related to the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme. During his absence his classes will be taught by **Mrs Hanif**, who was a member of the KCS Common Room in 1997-98 and again earlier this year when she covered for a colleague's term of sabbatical leave. He will then be taking up a post as Classics Master at Monmouth School.

We are delighted to congratulate **Robert Gullifer**, Undermaster and Head of English, on his appointment as Director of Studies at the Dragon School, Oxford, and **Paul Keyte**, Undermaster and Head of Religious Studies & Philosophy, on his appointment as Senior Master at Winchester College. We also congratulate **Mark Morren** on his appointment as Director of Music at Dulwich International College, Bangkok, and **Ian Knowles** who has been appointed Biology Master at City of London Freeman's School. All these appointments are from September 2001.

We were delighted to welcome to KCS **Sue Walker**, who joined us in January as Mistress i/c Rowing. Miss Walker, who also teaches Mathematics, is an international oarswoman and an Olympian and World gold medallist.

Reeve School of Art & Design Technology; KCJS Holloway Building

These two invaluable additions to our facilities were officially opened on 4th November, recording the outstanding headmasterships of Robin Reeve and Colin Holloway. Professor Christopher Frayling, Rector of the Royal College of Art, opened the Reeve Building and Colin Holloway himself opened the KCJS building. (A photograph of the Reeve Building appeared on the front cover of the OKC Newsletter No 97, October 2000.)

Competitions

International Chemistry Olympiad 2001

Jonathan Fittall performed so impressively in this year's competition that he was awarded a Gold Medal. Other successful participants were David Edwards, Thomas

Miller, Samuel Draper, and Bilal Kahloon, who were each awarded Bronze Medals. All these participants are in the Upper Sixth form.

Nuffield Science Bursaries

Christopher Nordstrom, who is studying Nuffield Chemistry in the Lower Sixth, has been awarded a bursary by the Nuffield Science Foundation to work at the Malmö University Hospital this summer. He will be part of a team which will participate in a scientific project looking at serine proteolytic activity in patients with infrarenal abdominal aortic aneurysm.

Headstart Engineering Summer School

James Hopper, in the Lower Sixth, has been awarded a place on this year's *Headstart* scheme. This scheme is part of the Royal Academy of Engineering's programme which contributes to the engineering development of pupils at school. James has been placed with the School of Engineering at Durham University.

Hans Woyda Mathematical Trophy

The KCS team of five reached the final of the Hans Woyda competition and was beaten by just one point (48-47) by the St Paul's team. The team did extraordinarily well and has brought back the runners-up cup which KCS will keep for a year.

Visits and expeditions

During the February half-term break, twenty Lower Fifth boys and two masters travelled to Morocco to spend a week hiking and camping in the Atlas mountains. The group briefly experienced the sights and sounds of Marrakesh before travelling into the High Atlas mountains, where they enjoyed breathtaking scenery, challenging walking, and a glimpse of a completely different culture.

Shaughnessy 100

In memory of Kevin Shaughnessy, an Old Boy and outstanding runner who died in May 1998 (see *obituary in OKC Newsletter No 94, April 1999*) the School has instituted the *Shaughnessy 100*. This is a challenge to run or walk 100 recorded miles by the end of the Spring term. Boys will be asked to pay an entrance fee of £1 which will go to charity. Once boys have completed their 100 miles they can pay £3 more to purchase a commemorative T-shirt - £1 of this will go to charity and the other £2 towards the cost of the T-shirt. A house cup will be awarded for the House with the most boys having completed 100 miles and an individual cup will be presented to the "outstanding achiever". Boys are also encouraged to seek sponsorship for their participation in the event.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme

Participation in the D of E Scheme is thriving at KCS, with some 86 members of the Lower Fifth starting their Silver Award this term and 20 members of the Lower Sixth embarking on their Gold. Whilst most of those involved in the Scheme are members of the CCF, we are also running D of E groups for boys outside the CCF: currently 21 boys in the Lower Fifth and 10 in the Lower Sixth.

Music School

We are delighted that three of the peripatetic teaching team in the Music School have found the time to release CDs during the autumn term. Alexander Mason, the School's organist, has recorded his first CD for the Signum label, called *Beyond the Score*. It provides listeners with a rare chance to dissect and analyse the art of improvisation. Alex is acquiring a reputation for his brilliant improvisations. Graham Trew, baritone, has also recorded a CD of music for Christmas accompanied by Simon Weale, who teaches piano. This CD also features James Bowman, the counter-tenor, and Richard Jackson. Both CDs are available from the Music School. *Beyond the Score* is priced at £12 and *The Holy Boy* is £10.

The highlight of the Spring term was the launch concert of the Choral Foundation at St John's, Smith Square, at which the Chamber Choir, conducted by Sir Neville Marriner, performed Fauré's *Requiem*.

Friends of KCS

We are extremely grateful to the Friends of KCS for the immense support offered through their activities during the Autumn term. In particular, the Fireworks Evening, the Christmas Fair, and the Community Christmas Tea for the elderly have been highly valued. The Fireworks Evening was sold out to capacity (more than 4,000) well in advance and lived up to all expectations with a spectacular display. Despite extremely poor weather, the Christmas Fair was well attended. There were many interesting and innovative stalls and the occasion proved to be very festive. A particularly special event in the Friend's calendar is the Community Christmas Tea, and each year I receive letters and notes of thanks from many local elderly residents who are most appreciative of the efforts of boys, staff, and parents. I should like to record the School's thanks to all those who were involved in helping at any of these events.

THE KCS CATERHAM SEVEN

From David Penson, Tom Cahill (captain of school), and Mark Datta

I am writing on behalf of three of us in the Upper Sixth form at KCS with regard to a project involving the construction of a Caterham Seven car. The aim is to raise a significant sum towards the purchase of a hovercraft kit for the School's Motor Transport section. We plan to do this by assembling a Caterham Seven bought in kit form and selling it on to a buyer at a discounted price on the factory-built cost.

Ideally the buyer would be connected in some way to the School, the purchase of such a car providing some sentimental value over and above the thrill of owning a pure race-bred sports car. Assuming a discount of £750, the starting price would be £12,495 for the basic 1.6 litre Classic model, but we would build the car upgraded to the buyer's specifications. The top of the range R500 model is the fastest accelerating car in current production, offering outstanding value.

If you would like further information on the project or know anyone who would be interested in the purchase of such a car, please phone David Bradley, the School's Director of Development on 020 8255 5427, or me (David Penson) at home on 01372 270 644. Caterham's own website (www.caterham.co.uk) has details on all the models and specifications.

David Penson, UVIC

FEATURES

SOUTHERN RAILWAY "SCHOOLS" CLASS LOCOMOTIVE NUMBER 931, "KING'S WIMBLEDON".

Ten years ago the Newsletter included an article about "our" locomotive, written by the late Derek Brough (1934), a senior engineer on British Railways Southern Region, who died in 1999. In it, he described some of the history behind the class of locomotives, and something of how one of them came to bear our school name. When the locomotive was scrapped in 1961, BR presented the School with one of the nameplates. Derek advised on the repolishing and lacquering which took place in 1993 and presented the School with a replica number plate, and both of these are permanently on display in the Sports Hall (see Newsletter No 84).

In this issue Dr H J C Cornwell (1953) presents some more details about the locomotive, and we publish a photograph supplied by the National Railway Museum of King's Wimbledon at Waterloo, and one of a model of the locomotive (see inside front cover).

Amongst the Southern Railway's leading officers was an Old Boy of KCS, Gilbert Savil Szlumper CBE (1900). He became Assistant General Manager of the company in April 1925 and General Manager in November 1937. He was appointed a governor of KCS in 1936 and was active on the School's behalf, the governors' meeting of 13th February 1942 being held in his office at Waterloo Station!

Meanwhile, in 1930, R E L Maunsell, the company's Chief Mechanical Engineer, had introduced a new class of 10 express passenger locomotives to meet the Traffic Department's need for suitable motive-power to haul 400-ton trains at a start-to-stop average speed of 55 mph. Officially designated class V, they were named after prominent schools in Southern territory and were consequently more commonly known as the "Schools" class. On paper, they were the most powerful locomotives of their type, not only in Britain but also in Europe, and their performance soon proved fully in keeping with their dimensions. Indeed, so brilliant were these ten engines that a further 30 were constructed at Eastleigh. Number 931, completed in December 1934 at a cost of £5256, entered traffic in January 1935, and in Szlumper's presence, was named King's Wimbledon in Wimbledon station on 15th February. The School Magazine recorded that the whole School went down to the ceremony, at which a scale model of the locomotive was presented to H J Dixon, the Head Master, by G S Szlumper.

After the ceremony, King's Wimbledon was allocated to Fratton shed where it joined three of its sisters in working the principal expresses between Portsmouth and Waterloo. Its best recorded performance on these was to reach Portsmouth in just under 76 minutes net from Waterloo with a 10-coach train weighing 345 tons gross. Following the Portsmouth electrification of 1937, it was transferred to Bournemouth along with nine others of the class and took up duty on some of the fastest expresses between Bournemouth and Waterloo, the most prestigious of which was the "Bournemouth Limited" which ran the 108 miles non-stop at an average speed of 55 mph with a load of up to 11 coaches.

One of the fascinating aspects of steam locomotive performance is that, although the members of a given class are built to precisely the same dimensions, some perform better than others. King's Wimbledon was one of the best of the "Schools" class. This was confirmed on a Saturday in July 1939, when it took a portion of the "Atlantic Coast Express" from Waterloo to Salisbury. The load was a light one of only nine coaches (during the Second World War, the engine was to haul up to 16 coaches between Waterloo and Southampton) but the running extremely sprightly. Milepost 31, the summit of the 10.5 mile climb from Byfleet, was cleared at 70 mph and 81 to 82 mph attained on the level stretches beyond. The 60.8 miles between Surbiton and Grateley were reeled off at an average speed of almost precisely 75 mph. Despite a signal stop of just over 3 minutes, Salisbury was reached 6 minutes early.

Such exploits were abruptly halted by the Second World War and King's Wimbledon was transferred to Ramsgate. Thereafter, the construction of so many of the much larger "Battle of Britain" class locomotives meant that the "Schools" never quite regained the limelight though they continued to do much useful work on the expresses from Charing Cross to Ramsgate, Dover and Hastings. But with the Kent Coast electrification and the dieselisation of the Hastings line, there was little more work for them to do. King's Wimbledon was withdrawn from its home shed of Bricklayers Arms in September 1961 and broken up in Ashford the following month. In its twenty-six year life span, it had run 1,057,929 miles.

H J C Cornwall

FROM THE ARCHIVES

The Japanese connection

A Japanese lady, Mrs Shigeko Tanaka of Tokyo, has been researching Japanese pupils at British schools in the 19th century, and recently contacted the Archive to enquire if any had attended KCS. We were able to supply her with the names, and some brief biographical details, of four such pupils. S Idzuka, N M Ikeda, and S Inouye all came to King's in 1873, and were three of the first Japanese boys to come to the West after strict rules limiting contact with Europe had been relaxed. Another pupil was Yoshihiro Takaki, who started in 1892 and, after several years at KCS, left to take a medical degree, and subsequently set up in practice in Tokyo.

By a remarkable coincidence, Mrs Tanaka, on learning of this last name, realised that she knew Takaki's son Hidehiro Takaki, as they are both members of the Cambridge and Oxford Society in Tokyo. We are promised further details of our former pupil from his son.

These four pupils are not our only connection with Japan, nor indeed the first. Edmund Morel, who started at KCS in 1857 at the tender age of 7, on leaving school became an engineer. After working on Government contracts building railways in Australia and New Zealand he went to Japan in March 1870 as the Chief Engineer for the construction of the first Japanese railway. This was to run from Tokyo to Yokohama, and was built to 3ft 6in gauge, as in New Zealand. The Archive holds a good deal of information about his work during the short time he was in Japan, which included not only railway construction, but proposals, rapidly adopted by the Japanese government, for the formation of a Ministry of Public Works, and a College of Engineering.

Morel suffered all his life from poor health. Sadly, he died from tuberculosis in September 1871 in the midst of construction work, and was buried in Tokyo. He was just 31. His work is still remembered in Japan; he was mentioned in a recent documentary video made in Japan entitled "The Founders of Japan's Modern Civil Engineering", and a copy has been presented to the Archive.

To bring the connection up-to-date, Kaouri Nishizaki (1981) is now a senior correspondent with the leading Japanese newspaper *Asahi Shimbun* (see the Old Boys' News section of this Newsletter).

Referring back to Yoshihiro Takaki, who started at King's in 1892, it is very unusual indeed for the Archive to receive any fresh biographical details of a former pupil from over 100 years ago, but in the last few weeks we have received information about two 19th century old boys. The other is Arthur Bailey, who was amongst the very first pupils to attend KCS after the School opened in 1831, and about whom we had no biographical information at all (other than his name, and dates of birth and attendance at King's). Thanks to Peter Clark (1965) we now know that he subsequently became President of the Institute of Actuaries (see the entry for Peter Clark, in the Old Boys' News section of this Newsletter).

Desiderata

The Archive is always pleased to receive gifts of School memorabilia, to maintain and improve our knowledge of the history of the School. If you have items to dispose of, please let us know. Likewise, if you are in the habit of browsing through antiquarian bookshops, or attending house clearance sales, etc., please remember your School Archive. Funds are available for the purchase of items found in bookshops, etc., which we need to complement our collection.

Magazines We have complete collections of school magazines dating back to the First World War, but very few examples of issues before that time. Any magazines

from the 19th century are especially desired.

Other School publications There have been numerous small booklets and magazines produced over the years. Currently needed are

Rugby Football at King's College School, by D G Dalziel
History of the Old Boys Rugger Club, by D G Dalziel

KCS Tennis and Wimbledon, by F R Miles
Books produced by the Arts Society Press (but please write with details first; we have several of these and they tend to be quite pricy in bookshops!)

School notebooks The School Curriculum is not strongly represented in the Archive. If you have old school notebooks these often shed valuable light on what was taught, and would be welcome.

Cups and trophies In the last few years we have gradually built up our collection of cups, medals, and other awards from the times when these were given to winners (rather than loaned!). More are needed to give us a representative collection.

Photographs All School and team group photographs in good condition are welcome, especially if they are accompanied by the names of those in the group. Photographs of informal groups, events, and buildings are all welcome. All our photographs are now stored under archival conditions in an air-conditioned, constant-temperature room, away from light, and plans are being considered for cataloguing, and scanning, so as to provide easy access.

B J S

OLD KING'S CLUB NEWS

GAUDY 2000

A Gaudy for all those who left King's before the end of 1949 was held on Saturday, 23rd September 2000 - too late to include a report in our last issue.

One hundred and thirtyfive Old Boys attended, together with fifteen past and present members of the School staff. As usual, there was a splendid atmosphere, with a number of guests meeting each other for the first time for very many years. Several Old Boys travelled from abroad - the United States as well as Europe - especially for the occasion.

Old Boys were given a tour of the School which, for those who had not been back for many years, proved to be an impressive experience. There were very many comments about the large number of new buildings, and the greatly improved facilities. After a reception in College Court, an excellent lunch was enjoyed in the Dining Hall,

followed by short addresses by Cavan Taylor, the Chairman of the Governors, Tony Evans, the Head Master, and David Bradley, the Development Director. After lunch there was a lengthy opportunity for further conversation.

Some photographs of those attending are reproduced inside and outside the back cover of this issue of the Newsletter.

2000 OKC DINNER

The 2000 Old King's Club Dinner was held on Friday 17th November in the Clubhouse at Motpur Park, with the President, Sir Robert Andrew, taking the Chair. An excellent meal was provided by a leading firm of London caterers. The social room and bar area of the Clubhouse, on a Saturday afternoon and evening hosting teams of rugby players, was transformed into an elegant dining room.

Following the meal, the Head Master, Tony Evans, gave a resume of the School's activities throughout the year, and included several light-hearted stories which were particularly well received by everyone present.

The guest speaker was Bob Ayling, who kindly stood in at short notice for the original speaker, who was unable to attend. He gave a most interesting talk, ranging from the light-hearted to the serious, covering various aspects of business. Among other points, he stressed the need to keep ahead in technology in this country if we are to succeed in world markets, illustrating his points with several examples.

We were very grateful to Richard Armitage for his considerable work in organising the dinner, and to Bob Ayling for so ably stepping in at short notice as Guest Speaker.

E A Stokes.

AROPS

AROPS, the Association of Representatives of Old Pupils' Societies, held its AGM at Queen's College, Harley Street, on 14th November 2000. Representatives from forty-six Societies were present; the OKC was represented by the Hon Secretary.

After the usual business of electing officers and committee members, and of receiving reports from the Chairman and the Treasurer, topics of mutual interest are discussed; this year various steps which Societies are taking to try to become more attractive to younger members were described. It became clear that Societies were different,

and what worked for one might not work for another.

The meeting concluded with an address by Professor Jane Somerville, who was both Chairman of the Governors of Queen's College, and an Old Girl of the School.

REPORTS FROM AFFILIATED ACTIVITIES

KCS LODGE No 4257

What have a 60-year-old former executive in the motor industry and a 27-year-old solicitor in common, other than the fact that they were both educated at KCS? It is very much one of the strengths of the School Lodge that it brings together Old Boys of all ages and from different professions all under the single banner of Freemasonry, and it was with great pleasure that Bob Friedlander and Guy Vesey were welcomed into the School Lodge last December and January respectively.

The School Lodge, while being one of 350 Lodges in Surrey, continues to play its part within the country's largest fraternal and charitable organisation and the family of the School. At the conclusion of our quarterly meetings we always enjoy the most wonderful fare provided by Janet Belcher and her team, and we remain ever grateful to the Head Master and all at School who so kindly support and assist us.

Anyone who would be interested in joining the School Lodge, or who is already a member of another Lodge, and would like to have more details, is invited to contact me either by telephone on 01962 868 400, or in writing to me at Hestia, 3, Silwood Close, Winchester, SO22 6EN.

Chris Rashbrook
Secretary

OLD BOYS RUGBY CLUB

The KCS Old Boys Rugby Football Club is having a very satisfactory season, with the First team maintaining a position roughly half-way down the Surrey League 1. A fourth side has been fielded twice for the first time in five years, all teams have had more wins than losses, with significant points for, and many less against. The appalling weather has however caused huge frustration; in all ten matches have had to be cancelled due to the weather. Not only has this resulted in potential losses in bar takings and match fees, but the development of the teams has been hindered. The results at the time of going to press are summarised in the table:

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against
1 XV	21	14	0	7	612	386
2 XV	20	12	0	8	674	279
Force	4	4	0	0	163	34
X Men	17	16	0	1	632	217
	62	46	0	16	2081	916

For all information about the Rugby Club, visit the web site at:

<http://www.kings.org.uk>

The site covers every aspect of the Club, including photos of the teams, details of fixtures and results, and will keep visitors up-to-date with everything the Club is doing.



John Hamilton (1953), former President of the KCS OB RFC and now President of Surrey County RFU, sitting between Kate Hoey MP, Minister for Sport, and Budge Rogers, President of the RFU, at the Surrey County RFU Dinner at Twickenham on 31st January 2001 attended by almost 300 members and guests. The other speaker was the broadcaster John Inverdale.

OLD BOYS' SWIMMING

We were unable to include a Swimming report in either of the last two issues of the Newsletter, so we are making up for the omission this time with an extended report of news from this hugely successful activity.

The King's Cormorants Swimming Club has continued to establish its mark in the Masters swimming world, winning 2 top club trophies at competitions in the last 6 months. The standard of swimming has continued to improve and we have had swimmers successfully competing for the first time as well as attracting some useful new competitive members.

In 2000 we competed at the "local" Chelsea & Kensington Meet in January, the popular weekend venue on the Isle of Wight in February, the Bracknell and Guernsey Meets in March and the Surrey Championships and Southern Counties Meets in April.

In July, three of our lady swimmers journeyed to the World Masters competition in Munich. Jane Asher won gold medals in each of the maximum five events she was allowed to enter. This was most impressive, and inspirational, in view of the fact she was competing in the final year of the 65 - 69 age group!

In August the club hired Hampton Open Air pool for a fun swim and barbecue party to which we invited our friends at Kingston Royals and Waveney Otters. We were fortunate to pick one of the very few fine and warm days of the summer and the event was a great success.

On 2 September, I took part in the 8 mile Millennium swim from Yarmouth to Gurnard Sailing Club organised by the Isle of Wight Swimming Club. While I had swum the Solent the year before and from Guernsey to Herm two years previous to that, as well as various other sea swims in between, I had never attempted such a distance in open water. I therefore decided to do the swim for charity to give me some extra incentive to complete the distance. I was most surprised to return home with the trophy for first swimmer to finish from the 26 starters and managed to raise £300 for the British Heart Foundation.

A couple of weeks later, six swimmers made the trip to the Southend Meet in spite of the petrol crisis. It was the first time that the Club had taken part in the event and it surely will not be the last as not only did the team pick up four individual Victor Ludorums, but the Cormorants also won the top club trophy.

The following weekend, seven swimmers took part in the Southern Counties Short Course Meet at Barnet Copthall. The team notched up an impressive tally of medals and recorded some excellent times, which included two new British records.

Two of our more hardy members slogged their way round the Olympic course of the London Triathlon at the Royal Albert Docks on 1 October. Completing a 1500m swim, a 40km bike ride and a 10km run, Katherine Gannon won the ladies 40-44 age group and Old Boy, Dr William Landells, 51, came 64th out of 163 in the mens 40 years and over age group.

Eight swimmers made the trip to the GB National Masters Championships in Sheffield in October. The following Saturday, nine of us made the relatively short journey to Maidenhead to take part in the Berks and South Bucks Open Meet. For the first time we were able to enter two relay teams in one event winning a gold and a bronze medal. The team also picked up several individual medals and secured 7th position overall for the Club.

Six of our swimmers represented Surrey in the Southern Counties Inter-County Championships on 19 November at Maidenhead and this time helped the County come third out of the eight Counties represented.

The following weekend, two swimmers took part in the gruelling 1500m distance Meet at Barnet Copthall. This was one for the really dedicated but it was a good warm up for the ASA Half Hour postal swim which the club held at the School pool over three sessions so that there could be no excuse for everyone not having a go. Consequently we were able to post distances for 16 swimmers and 2 relay teams to the ASA and are currently awaiting the results of this national competition.

The Club has also been successful in the New Year. In early February, fourteen of the club's swimmers swam continuously for one hour to complete as many lengths as possible in the British Long Distance Swimming Association's One Hour Postal Swim, similar to the ASA's Half Hour swim. We again held the event over three sessions at the school pool and this year were also able to enter 4 relay teams.

This is a good warm up for the annual BT sponsored Swimathon, a 5,000 metre charity swim, which is again being held at the school pool on the 21, 23 & 24 March, and this year is principally in aid of three cancer charities.

A record turnout of 15 swimmers made the trip over to the Heights Leisure Centre, Sandown on 23 & 24 February for the well-attended third meeting organised by the Isle

of Wight Swimming Club. The team enjoyed a very good weekend and won 40 individual gold, 3 relay gold, 22 silver and 17 bronze medals, which ensured that we comprehensively secured the top club trophy, beating the home club by over 60 points. Some very good times were recorded and in her new age group, 70 - 74 years, Jane Asher notched up one British, 2 European and 2 World records.

Four swimmers went to the Bracknell Masters Open Meet on the 3 March. As in past years, the competition attracted the usual high calibre of swimmers but with one of our senior swimmers being the only one in his age group and another competing in all the nine events and jointly winning the top male award, the Club won enough points to secure a most creditable 4th position overall.

In future events, we have swimmers entered in the following Meets:

Surrey County Championships, Haslemere - 10 March
Guernsey Masters Open Meet - 30, 31 March & 1 April.
15 swimmers are representing the Cormorants for this popular weekend Meet and we should be in contention for the top visiting club award after coming third last year.

Southern Counties Long Course Championships, Crystal Palace - 21 & 22 April
Irish Open Masters Meet, Cork - 11 & 12 May
Eastbourne Masters Open Meet - 17 June
European Masters Championships, Palma, Majorca - July

We are also planning to send a Cormorants team to the Next World Masters Championships in Christchurch, New Zealand in March 2002!

Philip Newman

OLD BOYS NEWS

JANE ASHER (Hon) was elected an Honorary Member at the AGM on 13th January 2001. Jane has been a valued member of King's Cormorants for a number of years, both as a coach and a swimmer, and has achieved notable successes in competitions, both at home and abroad (see the OK Swimming report). In overseas competitions last year she won five gold medals at Munich, and two in the Dutch Masters Championships; in the latter event her time for the 1500 metres freestyle broke the existing world record for her age group by 33 seconds!

SIMON ATKINSON (1979) has recently completed a three-year tour as a Commander on HMS *Ocean*. During part of this time he served in Sierra Leone, where he met ANDREW CLIFFE (1979), a Major in the Royal

Engineers. They were both involved, at sea and ashore, in providing engineering and communications support to the UK forces deployed in support of the UN. He has now started a course on International Relations at St Catherine's College Cambridge, sponsored by the Royal Navy.

REINIS BERZINS (1995) graduated from the University of Leeds with a 1st class degree in Geology, and is now studying for a masters degree in Geology at the University of California, Los Angeles. His current work involves analysis and characterisation of volcanic sediments at Damavand Volcano in northern Iran. Anyone interested can check out his research at <http://center.ess.ucla.edu/davidson/research/damavand.html>. There are some good pictures of this desolate region!

CHEL CAVALLON (1979) is currently an executive at a company called Amerix in Columbia, Maryland, U. S. A. The company services non-profit credit counseling agencies, organisations that support consumers who find themselves drowning in debt, by providing customer service and payment processing facilities. His wife is a Professor of Neurology at John Hopkins, and they have two young children.

Prof ROBERT CHIVERS (1966) had an eventful year in 2000. He holds a visiting Professorship at the Institute of Sound and Vibrational Research, at the University of Southampton, and is a visiting Senior Scholar at the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics in Cambridge. In April he was married (see notice below) and in October he was called to the Bar at the Middle Temple.

PETER CLARK (1965) has been elected as President of the Institute of Actuaries, for two years starting July 2000. He kindly sent us a copy of his Presidential Address, containing a number of references to the School. As he pointed out, two other Old Boys of King's have been President of the Institute before him. The first was ARTHUR BAILEY, who started at the School when he was just 8 years old. He was one of the first pupils to be admitted after the School was opened in 1831, and he remained there for all of his school education. Arthur later was one of the candidates for the first examination of the Institute, held in 1850, as a result of which he was awarded his Fellowship, and he eventually became President in 1880. In his Presidential Address he referred to the School as an institution "to which I am indebted for all the education I have received". The second Old Boy to be President was PETER MOORE (1946) who held the position from 1984 to 1986. Thus there have been three Old King's Presidents of the Institute, one in each century of its existence.

RICHARD CRIDDLE (1986), having spent two years working in sales for Unilever's UK personal care company (Elida Faberge), has now relocated, with his family, to the Netherlands to work as a European IT Project Manager within Unilever's foods business.

NOEL CROCKFORD (1947) retired in January from membership of the Governing Body of the School. Noel was elected a Corporation Governor in 1980, and became a member of the Building Committee in 1986. He practised as a chartered surveyor and was of inestimable value in his advice to Governors in that capacity. He continues, of course, as Hon Secretary of the KCS Old Boys Rugby Football Club.

JOHN DAVEY (1998) has been elected to an Exhibition at Oriol College, Oxford, where he is reading PPE.

CONAL GREGORY (1965), an expert on wine and one-time Member of Parliament, recently contributed a half-page article in the *Daily Telegraph* on the problem of ensuring that wine in the bottle is actually of the type, and vintage, that is described on the label. Conal has for some years been a 'missing address' at the OKC. Does anyone know where he is now living?

STUART HOLLAND (1977) has recently had an adult novel published, under the title *The Damien Palmer Investigations - Alibi*. Palmer is his fictional private investigator, based in the Wimbledon area, and further titles in a series are promised.

DUDLEY JAYNES (1991), after spending over two years as a trainee chartered accountant, took a PGCE course, and is now in his third year of teaching. He has recently been appointed Head of Mathematics, as well as a Governor, at Bartley Junior School in the New Forest. Last July he married Rachael, also a teacher, and now lives in Rownhams near Southampton. He continues to rap, and record Hip Hop music independently.

ROSS JONES (1975) recently e-mailed us from Florida, asking for news of the School and the OKC. He has been living in the United States for 13 years working in the sales field, but is currently working towards gaining a qualification to enable him to migrate to the field of Information Technology.

BARRY LEE (1964), until recently a 'lost address', is Professor in the Neurobiology Department of the Max-Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry in Göttingen, Germany.

ELLIOT LUKE (1998) on leaving King's took a gap year, during which he lived in Australia and travelled

extensively throughout South-East Asia. He returned to London to start a degree course in French and Spanish at University College. He plays rugby for UCL 1st XV and has become actively involved in the running of the Club. Next year he will spend 6 months at the University of Lyons, followed by 6 months at the University of Buenos Aires, both as part of his course. The holidays have provided him with opportunities for returning to Sydney to visit his family.

LEON MALHOMME DE LA ROCHE (1989), after completing his Engineering degree course at Bristol University, joined BAe to work in Munich on the Eurofighter project, followed by three years in Flight Test Operations and Project Management on Harriers. He then spent two years in Marketing and Sales in Central and Eastern Europe and the United States. He has just finished an MBA at Cranfield School of Management.

ADAM MELVILLE (1998) completed his foundation year at Chelsea College last year, and has remained within the College to pursue a degree course in Printed Textile Design.

DAVID MERRIMAN (1965) celebrated 35 years with Hawes & Co, Estate Agents and Surveyors, in September 2000. A chartered surveyor, he is Senior Partner of the seven-branch independent practice, which was established in Wimbledon in 1885. He started as a trainee to the then Senior Partner, the late P R S (Ron) DOWNHAM (1925), and continues to enjoy the variety and challenges that face a general practice surveyor in the ever changing world of local property.

KAORU NISHIZAKI (1981) graduated from Pembroke College, Cambridge in 1985, and returned to Japan to work for *Asahi Shimbun*, a leading Japanese newspaper. He covered mainly economics and business news from Japanese government departments and various industries related to finance, manufacturing, and 'high-tech'. In 1998 he moved to the United States as a chief economics correspondent for *Asahi*, working in their New York bureau. A year ago he moved to San Jose, California, to open a new bureau for *Asahi*, so as to increase the newspaper's coverage of American developments in Information Technology. In a recent letter Kaoru writes that he believes he is the only Japanese journalist to have been educated at a British Public School!

NOEL PEPPERALL (1946) retired from the army in 1976, and took a year-long professional course in the restoration of antique furniture at West Dean College near Chichester. He met his wife there, and they now work from home, restoring japanned work and gilding.

DAVID PERCIVAL (1966), who has been Principal of Northampton College since 1995, has become Principal of Plymouth College of Further Education.

MARK PHILLIPS (1991), a Captain in the First Royal Tank Regiment, helped the Army beat rivals to win the Sir Arnold Lunn cup at the British Services International Alpine Ski Championships in Megreve, France, in February. He won the trophy for the best men's newcomer at the event. He had previously won a silver medal in the men's Downhill competition at the British Championships, held in Serre Chevalier.

JOHN POMEROY (1954) undertook an impressive charity walk last November, when he joined a group to walk up to a height of 11,000 feet in the Manasalu Conservation Area, near Annapura in the Himalayas. The walk also entailed five nights of camping. John was supporting Whizz-kidz, an organisation providing wheelchairs for severely disabled children, and he succeeded in raising £3,500 for the charity.

IFOR SAMUEL (1984) has recently moved from Durham to St Andrews, where he is now Professor of Physics. His research interest is the physics of materials, and in particular some semiconducting polymers which emit light when a voltage is applied to them, forming the basis of a new display technology.

Sir NIGEL WICKS (Hon) was elected an Honorary Member at the AGM on 13th January 2001. He has been a co-opted Governor of the School since 1993, and his three sons attended KCS between 1988 and 1999. He has been appointed Chairman of the Committee on Standards in Public Life, following his retirement from HM Treasury.

MARRIAGES

ROBERT CHIVERS (1966) married Dr Pritilata Nayak, in Calcutta, India on 14th April 2000.

DEATHS

S W H AUST (1948) 28 December 2000
 G J BENDON (2001) January 2001
 Lt. Col J W R BLOTT (1965) 11 September 2000
 A J EDWARDS (1949) 22 June 2000
 R M GATELEY (1945) 4th March 2001
 A J HARRIS (1944) 13th December 2000
 J HATHERLEY (Hon) November 2000
 Dr D J E INGRAM (1945) February 2001
 G A LEWIS (1929) 27th March 2000

R G W MAYNARD (1938) 10th February 2001
 T C SALMONS (1927) 19th January 2001
 I M C SCOTT (1944) 28 May 2000

OBITUARIES

JOHN HATHERLEY

John Hatherley, an Honorary Life Member, died whilst on holiday in Tenerife, in November 2000, aged 74. He taught Economics at the School from 1972 until his retirement in July 1987.

John was born in South Africa, and attended school in Boksburg, Transvaal. He graduated BA in History and English from Witwatersrand University and MA in History from Cape Town University, and was an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries. He came to the UK in 1955.

After four years of teaching in Southgate he moved to Wimbledon College, where he was Head of the Economics Department. Two years at Charterhouse and two years at Purley High School then followed, and he came to King's in 1972 to teach Economics and Government. Outside the classroom, his debating skills were invaluable in running the School's Debating Union, and on the games field he ran the third XV for a while and helped with hockey, cricket, and athletics.

John practised what he taught; he was active in the political field in a number of ways including work as a Liberal Party parliamentary candidate, and as a Committee member of the Economic Research Council, an all-party 'think tank' which included senior Cabinet Ministers amongst its membership. He wrote commissioned articles on socio-economic matters for the Central Office of Information, and for the Times newspaper.

John is survived by his second wife, Jeannie, and his son Peter (OK, 1975). At King's, in addition to his teaching and the breadth of his interests, he will be remembered above all for his warm and friendly personality.

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GORDON BENDON (1945) died on 18th January 2001, aged 71. Those who knew him at school will remember a larger than life character, better known for his sporting rather than his academic abilities. Rugby was, of course, his premier game, where he literally propped up the scrum, starting in the Junior School under Geoffrey de la Condamine. He was part of that remarkable Junior School

1st XV with Brian Calvert (Harlequins and New South Wales), Richie Winn (Oxford and Barbarians), and Richie Bartlett (England and British Lions). He continued in successful teams in the Senior School, culminating in the 1st XV, but left early to do his National Service - unconventionally - in the Merchant Navy.

He did other things in the Senior School apart from tormenting the masters! He was a good 1st XI wicket keeper and batsman, and a successful swimmer, captaining the School team.

After the Merchant Navy, he joined the Wasps Rugby Club, from which he won his four England caps as a front row forward. In addition he played countless games of county rugby for Surrey, Middlesex, and Eastern Counties between 1951 and 1963. He also found time to play quite a few games for the Old Boys Rugby Club.

In between his rugby commitments he worked in the drinks industry, including Schweppes. He always kept contact with the School, albeit at an occasional level, coming to Gaudies and Georgian Society meetings.

Gordon Robson

Lt Col JEREMY BLOTT OBE (1965). His many friends will have been shocked to learn of the death of Jeremy Blott, who was killed in a tragic accident in Oman on 11th September 2000. Jeremy was the son of Col. Robert Blott OBE (1937), who died just over two years ago (*see obituary in Newsletter 95, October 1999*). Commissioned into the Army, Jeremy was a Lt Col in the 5th Royal Iniskilling Dragoon Guards. For the last ten years he had been serving in the Middle East, "everywhere between Rabat and Riyadh" as he wrote. A service of thanksgiving for his life was held in the Chapel at Sandhurst in November. He leaves a widow, Diana, and two children Emily, age 17, and Hugo, age 14.

DAVID INGRAM CBE (1945) moved from the Junior to the Senior School in the Christmas Term 1940, already showing considerable ability in Mathematics and an interest in Science. These proved to be his best subjects and he finished his time at KCS with an open award in Natural Sciences to New College, Oxford. He played on the wing in the 1944 XV and excelled at the sprints and the long jump in athletics. He was a Senior Prefect and Head of West House; he was given an early chance to show his administrative skills in his final term when he was asked to organise the plan for the School Photograph, an event which was fraught with danger in those days when the boy standing on the outside right had time to run round the back and appear on the extreme left as the camera moved round! This photograph went off without a hitch.

He went up to Oxford in October 1945 and in due course was awarded a first. He gained a D.Phil. in 1951, which became a D.Sc. in 1960. He met his wife Geraldine in his final term and they were married in Cirencester in July 1952 just before he took up his appointment as Research Fellow and Lecturer at Southampton University. In 1957 he was made a Reader in Electronics and published his first two books. His first two children, Jonathan and Marion, were born during his time at Southampton.

In 1959 he was appointed Professor of Physics at Keele University (then the University of North Staffordshire) where he particularly enjoyed the foundation year experiment, which ensured that all students, whatever their chosen degree subject, learnt something about the Arts and Science in their first three terms. 'No student can be considered as properly educated today' he wrote to the *Times* in April 1972 'unless he has some knowledge both of the approach of the humanities and their methods of assessment and also of the meaning and reasoning of the scientific method in action'. These years saw him at his best in the academic field with the publication of a third book and the establishing of a fine reputation for his introductory lectures to the Foundation Year. When Keele celebrated its fortieth anniversary in 1990 he was invited back to preach at the Service of Thanksgiving. As a scientist with a strong Christian faith, he was much in demand as a preacher and as a speaker at conferences which featured the Science v. Religion debate, in which he was very convincing in showing that there was no real clash, as their aims and objects were very different. He was given a first taste of the responsibilities of a Vice-Chancellor's job when he did two short stints as deputy at Keele from 1964 to '65 and again from 1968 to '71. His second son Bruce was born soon after he arrived at Keele in 1960.

In 1973 he left Keele to become Principal of Chelsea College of Science and Technology in the University of London. Now most of his time and energy were taken up with administration, and he showed how determined he could be in his fight to save a college, St Mark and St John, which had been scheduled to close. He won this battle, and his grateful staff and colleagues presented him with a commemorative plate to celebrate the victory. He saw some of the problems facing the NHS at this time which led to his involvement in retirement in hospital administration.

In 1980 he moved to Canterbury as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Kent and was soon faced with the problems caused by the cut back in funding which all Universities had to fight at this time. He took a leading role in defending the independence of Universities and

the importance of paying lecturers and other university staff a fair salary. He also forged many links with the City and County, realising how important it was that the work being done in the university should be made known to and appreciated by those whose taxes were providing a substantial part of the funds. The introduction of fees for students caused considerable unrest and led to the inevitable protests and demonstrations, all of which David handled with tact and sympathy, despite being carried off his feet on one occasion by a particularly militant group!

He retired in 1994 and was soon involved in helping with administration in the local NHS group of hospitals. He chaired the committee of the Carnegie Trust, of which he had been made a trustee in 1981, which was particularly concerned with helping young people financially who had shown initiative and enterprise in their work and projects. It was for his work in this sphere as well as his academic achievements that he was made CBE in 1991. The British Council made use of his talents too in setting up an exchange scheme with scientists in universities in Portugal. His main relaxation was 'messing about in boats' and he was delighted to be able to spend time in retirement in his small sailing boat in St Ives where the family had a cottage. Here he was able to entertain his grandchildren and he was particularly good at making Christmas a memorable time for them. He will be remembered as a gentle, modest and sympathetic man, always prepared to listen to the views of others, but well prepared to take the unpopular decision when he felt it was necessary. His sense of humour which saved him from taking himself too seriously also stood him in good stead at the many committee meetings and conferences he attended in his career.

Keith Ingram

TOMMY SALMONS (1927) died on 19th January 2001, aged 91. He came to King's from the Mall School in 1923 and during his School career played for the 2nd XV rugby team, won his 3rd XV colours, was a member of the winning inter-house Cross Country team, and was a House Prefect. On leaving school he joined the Phoenix Assurance Co and, apart from war service, he worked there until his retirement from the post of Company Cashier in 1970.

Tommy started playing for the KCS OB RFC in lower XVs as soon as he left school, and continued until the outbreak of World War II. He was a member of the Artist's Rifles, Territorial Army, from 1928 until the start of the War, and was a member of the team that won the Interservices Bayonet Fencing Championship at the Royal Tournament. During the War he served in the Royal Marines, rising to the rank of Major.

IAN MURDOCH CAMPBELL SCOTT (1944) died on 28th May 2000. Ian was born at Blundellsand, in Lancashire, and attended Merchant Taylors School, Crosby from 1937 until the Scott family moved to Wimbledon in 1942. In fact this was a return for Ian and Sydney's mother, because she had been brought up in Kenilworth Avenue with her two brothers Jack and Reggie who were both at Kings during the years before the 1914-18 war.

Ian's time at the School from 1942 until 1945 was a happy and successful preparation for Architectural studies at the Regent Street Polytechnic – then a highly respected college but no longer in existence.

His studies were interrupted by National Service in the Navy but then he met and married Elizabeth – also an architect. Professionally he was dedicated and successful, being presented to the Queen at the opening of the King's College, London extension in the Strand. He was also responsible for the Portland Hospital for Women and Children and, in partnership with Elizabeth, Lancaster House restoration in St James.

Ian played rugby at School and for the Old Boys but his first love was sailing, including the Fastnet Race and many Round the Island races.

Three daughters came along and one married an Old Boy of the School.

He retired some three years before his death and the croft on Skye gave great happiness too both Ian and Elizabeth. Ian bore his final illness with great courage and he is survived by Elizabeth, daughters Anne, Rachel and Sarah, and grandchildren Peter and Alistair.

S.C.C.Scott.

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1950 - 1959 LEAVERS LOST ADDRESSES

The OKC office does not have current addresses for the following OKC members who left between 1950 and 1959, and to whom we would like to send invitations to the next Gaudy. If any reader knows the present address of any of the following, or has news of them, please write to the Hon. Secretary, OKC, at the School and let him know.

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P D Ashton-Wickett	1959	A J Charles	1952	R M Curtis	1955
D W Atkins	1955	B J Chater	1957	S G Curtis	1957
P Baker	1957	R M J Cherry	1955	M V P Curzon	1953
P S Banks	1958	I B Chisholm	1959	F C Davies	1956
I M Barber	1956	J M Chisholme	1951	R H Davies	1952
M R Barlow	1956	D M Christie	1955	J H Day	1951
B J Barnes	1956	C W Clark	1950	S De Lange	1954
J D Barraclough	1954	J A Clark	1956	R E Dedman	1952
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M S Bray	1959	H J Cook	1956	J P Epstein	1954
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E A Stokes (1948) and D V Smedley (1948)



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P K Gerhold (1934)



I M Heald (1937), R C Cartwright (1937), and J C Gibson (1936)



J Smith (Hon) and M D Cooper
(1949)



N Dewey (1944) and I D Metherell
(1949)



Two Fellows of the Royal Society at the Gaudy on 23rd September 2000, (left) Brian Spalding FRS (1941) and (right) Sir Stanley Peart FRS (1940).