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The cover picture shows Jenni Sidey, Fellow in Engineering, in her Canadian Space Agency uniform (See p23), superimposed on a picture of the Catharina Crater on the Moon.
(Picture of Jenni © Canadian Space Agency.)
EDITORIAL

It seems that the dream of St Catharine’s acquiring the Old Press Site and perhaps linking it to the Main Site by tunnelling under Silver Street (as Emmanuel College under Emmanuel Street) is finally dead – killed by planning restrictions and only leasehold being available. Following the decision not to pursue the scheme, serious consideration is being given to expanding student accommodation elsewhere. See the Bursar’s Report.

As you may have noticed from the cover, one of our fellows is training to be an astronaut. The cover shows Jenni Sidey in her astronaut uniform superimposed on a picture of the Catharina crater on the moon.

Before he and his family moved in, the Master asked if there were any ghost stories associated with the Master’s Lodge. The College Archivist could not find any. The only hauntings on record date from the 1920s and are associated with Sky Hall above the Sherlock Library and a ground-floor room in the southwest corner of the Main Court. It is not clear if this is Old Lodge or, more likely, the Society Secretary’s and Editor’s office on C staircase!

In October 2016, after his first week in office, the Master wrote ‘The week’s great excitement in the Lodge was the opening of the safe in the Lodge Parlour. The keys had been lost and the contents were unknown. I arranged for a safe breaker to come in and open it. Alas, all hopes of finding a hidden stash of jewels or gold were dashed; there were just a few children’s scribbles.’

Also in October, the College once again assisted in the filming of the TV series Grantchester, this time for the Christmas Special edition. The rear gates of College were used and Queens’ Lane covered in a generous dusting of realistic artificial snow (pictured right), some of which trod through into College. The cast and crew shared lunch with us in Hall and there were opportunities for selfies with stars James Norton and Robson Green. The Bursar remarked that it was a financially worthwhile booking.

I have to apologise for missing many names from the list of matriculands and using the wrong matriculation photograph in the 2016 edition. The online edition is correct and this edition contains lists for both 2015 and 2016 matriculations.

Once again I thank the Librarian, Colin Higgins, for handling book reviews and Chris Thorne for liaison with students. Finally and sadly, as we go to press, we learn of the death of Honorary Fellow Sir Peter Hall (1950); an obituary will appear in the 2018 Magazine.

Roger Stratford
On 30 September 2016 I was admitted as the 39th Master of St Catharine’s College so that as I write my first report for the Society Magazine I will have been in post for just one year.

The process of appointing a new Master varies from college to college. My own engagement with St Catharine’s started sometime in the Summer of 2015 when a Catz fellow had a ‘word’ with me. This was not the first time that I had been approached by a college, but on this occasion it was the right time and, in my perception, it was the right college; I wrote a covering letter, produced a CV and sent it in. After a couple of months I found out that I was on a shortlist of six and that I needed to spend a day in College meeting various groups culminating in a presentation to the Fellowship followed by dinner. This took place in early November 2015. And then I waited. Every now and again I called the President, John Little, to check that I had not been forgotten. Then one Friday evening in the early spring of 2016 I received a phone call at home. At the time we had been plagued by a series of calls from insurance companies assuring me that I had recently had a car accident and that they were there to help me. I am infamous for my brevity on the phone and on this occasion I was both abrupt and succinct. It took a little while for me to realise that I was being asked if I wished to be the next Master of St Catharine’s College and not whether I needed insurance advice. I was humbled and embarrassed at the same time but of course said ‘Yes’; I was absolutely delighted.

The period between that phone call and taking up the Mastership was a curious time. I was acutely aware that the then Master, Professor Dame Jean Thomas, would remain in post until the moment I was admitted as the 39th Master. My family, Lyn – my wife – and four children, were hugely excited and wanted to look around the College at every opportunity. In this period Dom, then Head Porter, was extraordinarily helpful. He surreptitiously showed us round the College, explained some of the expectations of a new Master and gave me much sensible advice. Eventually the day of my admission arrived at the end of September 2016 at 18:00 hours. Not only did I need to speak a passage of Latin swearing my allegiance to the College but immediately afterwards I admitted eleven new fellows. I am rarely nervous on public occasions but this was something special. On exiting the Chapel I was greeted by Dom who simply said ‘Welcome Master’; my tenure had begun.

My first year can be conveniently split into two halves. The first half where we lived in our family home in Trumpington as the Lodge was prepared for us and when I simply wanted to learn as much as I could about College life, and a second half when we had moved into the Master’s Lodge and when our relationship with the College deepened. There were dinners to attend, speeches to write, meetings...
to chair, fellows and staff to meet, alumni to engage with and a family to settle. I cannot fault the College for the welcome that it gave to all of us. My wife especially was treated not only as a spouse, but in her own right as a gifted musician with a PhD in Physics; this was particularly appreciated.

So what have I learnt in my first year? Firstly the extraordinary people that make the College such a special place: a Fellowship with an unwavering commitment to our students and to the governance of the College; a body of undergraduates and postgraduates who, by and large, strive for excellence; College staff who take a real pride in being part of and working for St Catharine’s and an alumni Society whose members, wherever I meet them across the world, are both welcoming and hugely proud of their association with the College. If ever you wanted evidence for what makes Cambridge special you need do nothing more than look at the staff and members of our College.

As Master I feel a number of significant responsibilities. A responsibility and respect to the history of the College, a responsibility to the current students, fellows and staff to ensure that they are supported to my best ability, a responsibility to our alumni who expect to see the College thrive and prosper, and a responsibility to all those that will come through the College gates long into the future.

I committed to a seven-year period as Master – a blink of the eye as far as a perspective from 1473 is concerned, but a period for me where I will work tirelessly to protect all the values that the College holds dear whilst ensuring, not without some significant challenges, that our successors have the very best environment to flourish.

Mark Welland

THE FELLOWSHIP

As at 1 October 2017, in order of seniority following the Master and President. The latest year of appointment is given; note that additional years of seniority may be conferred by any previous period as a Fellow.

**Professor Sir Mark Welland FRS FREng** (2016) Professor of Nanotechnology and Director of the Nanoscience Centre; Master

**Professor Peter Tyler AcSS FRICS** (1983) Professor of Urban and Regional Economics; DoS in Land Economy, President

**Dr Paul N Hartle** (1977) Senior Tutor, College Lecturer in English

**Dr Robert BB Wardy** (1984) Reader in Ancient Philosophy; DoS in Philosophy, DoS in Classics

**Professor John A Pyle ScD FRS** (1986) Head of the University Chemistry Department, 1920 Professor of Physical Chemistry and Co-Director of the Centre for Atmospheric Science

**Dr Patrick R Palmer** (1987) Reader in Electrical Engineering; Dudley Robinson Fellow and DoS in Engineering

**Professor Ellis V Ferran FBA** (1987) University Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Professor of Company & Securities Law; Tom Ivory Professorial Fellow in Law

**Professor Hans van de Ven FBA** (1988) Professor of Modern Chinese History; DoS in Asian & Middle Eastern Studies

**Professor Sir Christopher Clark FBA FAHA** (1990) Regius Professor of History; Ostrer Professorial Fellow in History

**Dr E Geoffrey Kantaris** (1990) Reader in Spanish & Portuguese and Director of the Centre of Latin American Studies; DoS in Modern & Medieval Languages (on leave Easter)

**Mr Michael F Kitson** (1992) University Senior Lecturer; DoS in Management Studies

**Dr Rose A Melikan** (1993) Sir John Baker College Lecturer in Law, Fellows’ Registrar (on leave Michaelmas & Lent)

**Professor Michael PF Sutcliffe** (1993) Professor of Biomedical Engineering; Harold Ridgeon Fellow, DoS in Engineering (on leave Michaelmas)

**Dr John H Xuereb MD FRCP FRCPath** (1994) DoS in Pathology, Dean

**Dr Anthony P Davenport FBPharmacolS** (1995) Reader in Cardiovascular Pharmacology; DoS in Preclinical Medicine & Pharmacology

**Dr Katharine J Dell** (1996) Reader in Old Testament Literature & Theology; DoS in Theology

**Dr Ian C Willis** (1989) University Senior Lecturer; Cousens Fellow, DoS in Geography

**Professor Sir Christopher Clark FBA FAHA** (1990) Regius Professor of History; Ostrer Professorial Fellow in History

**Dr E Geoffrey Kantaris** (1990) Reader in Spanish & Portuguese and Director of the Centre of Latin American Studies; DoS in Modern & Medieval Languages (on leave Easter)

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**Dr Katharine J Dell** (1996) Reader in Old Testament Literature & Theology; DoS in Theology
Dr Caroline Gonda (1996) Henry Philpott College Lecturer, DoS in English, Secretary to the Governing Body

Dr Nora Berend (1996) Reader in European History (on leave Michaelmas)

Dr David C Aldridge (1997) University Senior Lecturer; Dawson College Lecturer, DoS in Biological Natural Sciences, Steward

Dr Richard W Dance (1997) Reader in Anglo-Saxon, Norse & Celtic; DoS in Anglo-Saxon, Norse & Celtic, Praecector

Dr Peter D Wothers (1997) University Teaching Fellow; Rushton Fellow, DoS in Chemistry, Graduate Tutor

Professor Mark C Elliott (1998†) Professor of Public Law; DoS in Law (on leave Easter)

Ms Irena Borzym (1999) Nicholas Handy College Lecturer and DoS in Mathematics, Tutor

Dr Abigail Brundin (2000) Reader in Italian; DoS in Modern & Medieval Languages

Dr Sriya Iyer (2000) Bibby Teaching Fellow and College Lecturer, DoS in Economics

Dr Matthew J Mason (2001) University Physiologist; DoS in Physiology

Dr Sergei N Taraskin (2002) Harvey McGrath College Lecturer, DoS in Mathematics for Natural Scientists, DoS in Computer Science; DoS in Physical Natural Sciences, Tutor

Dr David Bainbridge (2003) University Clinical Veterinary Anatomist; DoS in Veterinary Medicine, Tutor, Admissions Tutor, Disability Tutor

Dr Harald Wydra (2003) Holden Fellow, College Lecturer, DoS in Human, Social & Political Sciences (Politics & International Relations), Tutor

Mr Simon Summers MBA (2005) Bursar

Dr Hester Lees-Jeffries (2006) University Lecturer; DoS in English, Tutor

Dr Edward Wickham (2006) Director of College Music, DoS in Music

Dr Gillian Carr (2006) University Senior Lecturer; DoS in Human, Social & Political Sciences (Archaeology & Anthropology) (on leave Easter)

Dr Miranda Griffin (2007) Dawson College Lecturer, DoS in Modern & Medieval Languages, Admissions Tutor, Tutor

Professor Richard Harrison (2007) Professor of Earth & Planetary Materials; DoS in Geology & Mineral Sciences, Health & Safety Fellow

Professor Jeffrey Dalley (2007) Professor of Molecular & Behavioural Neuroscience; DoS in Neuroscience, DoS in Psychology & Behavioural Sciences

Mrs Deborah Loveluck (2007) Director of Development

Dr Ivan Scales (2008) Harvey McGrath College Lecturer, DoS in Geography

Professor William Sutherland (2008) Miriam Rothschild Professor of Conservation Biology

Dr Peter Turner (2009) University Lecturer; DoS in Law

Professor Jerome Neufeld (2009) University Lecturer and Royal Society Research Fellow (Geophysics); DoS in Physics (on leave Michaelmas)

Dr Robert P Smith (2013) Royal Society Research Fellow; DoS in Physics & Astrophysics, SCR Secretary

Dr Simon Taylor (2016) Senior Faculty in Management Practice

Professor Stuart Althorpe (2010) Professor of Theoretical Chemistry

Dr Matthew DeJong (2010) University Senior Lecturer; DoS in Engineering (on leave Easter)

Dr Fatima Santos (2010) Senior Postdoc Scientist; DoS in Developmental Biology

Professor Stefan Marciniak (2011) Professor of Respiratory Science and MRC Senior Clinical Research Fellow; DoS in Preclinical Medicine

Dr Hazem Kandil (2012) Reader in Political Sociology; DoS in Human, Social & Political Sciences (Sociology) (on leave 2017–8)

Dr Michael D Hurley (2012) University Lecturer; DoS in English (on leave Michaelmas & Lent)

Revd Dr David Neaum (2013) Dean of Chapel

Professor Nicholas Morrell FMedSci (2013) Professor of Cardiopulmonary Medicine; DoS in Clinical Medicine

Dr Timothy Rogan (2013) College Lecturer, DoS in History, Tutor

Dr Jessica Gwynne (2015) University Teaching Fellow; DoS in Materials Science, Graduate Tutor (on leave Michaelmas)

Dr Haris Psarras (2015) Richard Fellingham College Associate Teaching Officer in Law

Dr Mairi Kilkenny (2016) Senior Research Associate; DoS in Biochemistry

Dr Jennifer Sidey (2016) University Lecturer in Engineering (on leave 2017–8)

*Yujiang River Chen (2017) College Teaching Officer and DoS in Economics

† Inducted 1999

Research Fellows

Dr Glenn Masson (2015) Henslow Research Fellow in Biochemistry

Dr Rao Vadlamani (2015) Bowring Research Fellow in Engineering

Mr Milan Pajic (2016) Violet & Ian Campbell Research Fellow in History

Mr Marcel Elias (2016) Jeremy Haworth Research Fellow in English

*Dr Alpha Lee (2017) Research Fellow in Physics

*Dr Étienne Fodor (2017) Oppenheimer Research Fellow in Mathematics
Honorary Fellows
Dr KT Erikson (1973)
Sir Peter Hirsch (1982)
Sir Ian McKellen (1982)
Professor Sir Peter Swinnerton-Dyer (Master 1973–83) (1983)
Professor Sir Graeme Davies (Fellow 1967–77) (1989)
Mr JRG Wright (Fellow 1978–91) (1992)
Professor BE Supple (Master 1984–93) (1993)
Dr Cham Tao Soon (1996)
Professor Sir Michael Peckham (1998)
Dr FR le P Warner (1999)
Professor Sir Jonathan Bate (2001)
Mr JD Paxman (2001)
Mr RG Smethurst (2001)
Professor DS Ingram (Master 2000–06) (2006)
Professor Sir Richard Gardner (2007)
Professor CFW Higham (2008)
Sir Emyr Jones Parry (2008)
Dr NB Penny (2009)
Professor H Bedelian (2010)
Professor PJ Barnes (2011)
Professor A Blix (2012)
Mrs R Fairhead (2012)
Mrs J Harris (2012)
Sir Harvey McGrath (Fellow Commoner 2004) (2013)
Mr DW Harding (2013)
Professor RLA Saxton (2015)
Professor SM Springman (2015)
Mr NJ Hess (2016)
Professor SB Gaunt (Fellow 1988–98) (2016)
Professor DR Armitage (2016)
Professor Dame Jean Thomas (Master 2007–16) (2017)
*Professor J Shelton Reed (2017)

Emeritus Fellows
Professor AF Beardon (Fellow 1968) (1987)
Professor MDI Chisholm (Fellow 1976) (1996)
Dr DE Keeble (Fellow 1964) (2000)
Professor PR Raithby (Fellow 1983) (2000)
Dr MA Message (Fellow 1962) (2002)
Dr CJR Thorne (Fellow 1963) (2002)
Dr JA Thompson (Fellow 1971) (2006)
Dr DM Pyle (Fellow 1989) (2006)
Professor DM Broom (Fellow 1987) (2009)
Professor RJ Bennett (Fellow 1996) (2011)
Dr RSK Barnes (Fellow 1978) (2011)
Professor RP Gordon (Fellow 1995) (2012)
Professor JD Pickard (Fellow 1990) (2013)
Professor KJ Dalton (Fellow 1997) (2014)
Professor RL Martin (Fellow 1974) (2015)
Dr JA Little (Fellow 1980) (2016)
Dr P Oliver (Fellow 1988) (2016)

Fellow Commoners
Dr GT Cavaliero (1986)
Mr R Stratford (1992)
Mr JB Bibby (1996)
Mr PJ Boizot (1996)
Lady Morven Heller (2003)
Mr NF Haynes (2005)
Mr GG Beringer (2008)
Revd Canon HD Searle (2008)
Mr HW Bate (2009)
Mr PA Bowring (2009)
Mr MD Richer (2009)
Lord Horam (2010)
Mr T Adams (2011)
Mr DW Peace (2014)
Professor AG Watts (2014)
Mr LJ Endicott (2015)
Mr P Dawson (2016)
Mrs C Dawson (2016)
Mr NM Ostrer (2016)
Mr MJ Humphries (2016)

* New and returning fellows etc: see biographical notes below. DoS: Director of Studies.
NEW FELLOWS

Yujiang River Chen works on labour economics, urban economics and micro econometrics. His research is largely empirical and policy-oriented, focusing on the impact of minimum wages on income inequality and unemployment, the agglomeration and sorting of human capital, models of city structure that highlight the rise of the sharing economy, and the application of machine learning techniques in econometrics. He received his BA in Economics from Peking University in China, and his MPhil in Economic Research from the University of Cambridge. He joins St Catharine's as a College Teaching Officer in Economics after studying for his PhD at Christ's College, Cambridge.

Étienne Fodor obtained his PhD in theoretical physics at Paris Diderot University, under the supervision of Paolo Visco and Frederic van Wijland, on the nonequilibrium signatures of fluctuations in living cells and self-propelled colloids. His research interests lie at the crossroads of statistical physics, soft matter and the study of living systems. As a member of the soft matter group headed by Professor Michael Cates at the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics, his work focuses on active matter: systems of interacting agents able to sustain a systematic motion by consuming an external fuel.

Alpha Lee is a Winton Advanced Fellow in the Department of Physics. He obtained an MSc and DPhil from the Mathematical Institute at Oxford, and did postdoctoral research in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences at Harvard as a UK-US Fulbright Scholar and a George F Carrier Fellow. He is interested in problems in soft condensed matter, statistical physics and machine learning. His new research group will focus on areas such as combining physics with machine learning to accelerate drug discovery and chemical synthesis, as well as finding new materials for energy storage applications.

John Shelton Reed is William Rand Kenan Jr Professor Emeritus at the University of North Carolina, where he taught for 31 years. Most of the twenty books he has written or edited deal with the history and culture of the American South, but he has also written about the Anglo-Catholic movement in the Victorian Church of England. In 1996–7 he was the Pitt Professor of American History and Institutions at Cambridge and a visiting fellow at St Catharine's. He served recently as Chancellor of the Fellowship of Southern Writers.
Michael Amior has been appointed to a Lectureship in Economics at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Michael worked as a College Teaching Officer at St Catharine's over the last two academic years.

Yarin Gal left St Catharine's at the end of the 2016–7 academic year to take up the position of Associate Professor in Machine Learning at the Computer Science Department of Oxford University. He writes ‘I would like to thank everyone at Catz for a wonderful year, and specifically to thank Michael and Morven Heller for supporting my research fellowship. I believe the fellowship and the support I received from the many people at College played an important role in my research over the past year, and I am deeply grateful for that.’

David Waddilove has been appointed a Fellow of the Project on the Foundations of Private Law at the Harvard Law School. He will continue his research into the development of the law of finance in the Court of Chancery in the early-modern period, and begin new work on the modern law of mortgages.

REVEREND JOHN ST HILARY MULLET;
13 JANUARY 1925 – 30 JULY 2017, FELLOW COMMONER

John Mullett matriculated in 1943 and was elected a Fellow Commoner in 1989, but he was best known to alumni and fellows as the Editor of the Magazine for 21 years from 1981 to 2002.

He was born in Sheffield to the Revd Harold and Agnes Mullett, but the family soon moved to London where John attended St Matthew's Primary School, Ponders End, and became a choirboy at St Matthew’s Church aged only six. He later became a chorister at Westminster Abbey and sang at the coronation of George VI in 1937. He came to St Catharine's from Bloxham School and his experiences on arrival, reported previously in the Magazine, bear repeating.

The first person he met was the tall, gaunt, stooping figure of the then President, Dr WHS ‘Malaria’ Jones. The second was geographer Professor JA Steers who questioned John’s suggestion that he wanted to read Theology. As they walked down the stairs of the Hobson’s building together, Steers asked, ‘How is your Greek?’ then, ‘How is your Hebrew?’; and finally, on the ground floor, ‘If you want to pass anything in May, you should read something you can understand! What about Geography?’ In the end, John read History under the guidance of Dr David Thomson who subsequently became Master of Sidney Sussex. Afternoons, when John was not coxing on the river, had to be spent at Downing College wearing bell-bottom trousers and learning the essential qualifications required of an able (as opposed to an ordinary) seaman RN. He duly served aboard HMS Dauntless from 1943 until 1946 when he returned to College and finally achieved his ambition to read Theology.

After graduating, John studied at Lincoln Theological College and there met his future wife, Joyce. He was ordained in 1951 at St Paul’s Cathedral and served his curacy at All Hallows, Tottenham. In 1952, John and Joyce were married very early one morning in Westminster Abbey to avoid the tourists, and the same day they left from Victoria station to travel 3rd class to Turkey where John had been appointed Acting Rector of Izmir and Istanbul. At one point on the journey he nearly lost Joyce who had sneaked into 2nd class to have a wash – the train then divided, but fortunately it was Joyce’s section that moved off. Being a gymnast, she was quite happy to leap from the moving train and rejoin John who was oblivious amongst the passengers and livestock in 3rd class. Their most treasured wedding present
was the pair of car tyre inner tubes presented to them as a parting gift on the platform; the wooden slatted seats of 3rd class travel on the long journey would have been intolerable without them.

The following year they set off from Turkey by boat for missionary service at Kwe Kwe in Zimbabwe (then Rhodesia). The parish was approximately the size of Wales. John organised the installation of a ring of six bells from a church in Sheffield – it’s still one of only two rings in Zimbabwe. A difficult task he had in his time in Kwe Kwe was to assist the government in persuading people to move from their homes so that the Kariba dam could be filled. Also whilst there he began working on a volume on the Psalms – *One People, One Church, One Song* – for the *Library of Practical Theology*, published by Hodder & Stoughton. On leave in Cambridge to research this book, he was able to stay in accommodation above the Lodge by kind permission of the Master.

Returning from Africa in 1961, John was appointed Vicar of Bollington in Cheshire and discovered that the local church school, founded by a St Catharine’s alumnus in the 1840s, was threatened with closure. John fought the decision successfully and a new school was built. In view of the College connection with the original school, he invited the Master at the time (Professor ‘Teddy’ Rich) to lay the foundation stone in 1967.

After a time as Vicar of Oxton, Birkenhead, John was appointed Rector of Ashwell, Hertfordshire, in 1977, and a letter arrived from the Lodge at St Catharine’s ‘Now you are back in the County we would like to extend you an invitation to be a Dining Member of High Table.’ In fact ‘the County’ only began at the parish boundary, but the cold springs of Ashwell were the fount of the Cam, so John’s conscience allowed him to accept.

When fellow Stanley Aston (1934) retired as Magazine Editor in 1981, it was the Society President of the time, Jock Pirie (1939), who persuaded John to take over. In 1990, John retired from Ashwell and moved to Madingley where he was Priest-in-Charge and nearer to College; he also had more time for College affairs – the Magazine in particular. Soon after this, he persuaded the Chaplain that the names of deceased members published in each edition of the Magazine should be read out at the next All Souls service in the College Chapel. A few years later, he took this further by suggesting that next-of-kin might be invited to the service and the Governing Body approved this in 1998. The tradition continues to this day.

It was John who first suggested that there should be a memorial plaque in Chapel to St Catharine’s alumnus and composer of hymn tunes, John Bacchus Dykes (1843), who matriculated exactly 100 years before John. With the help of recently elected Honorary Fellow, Professor John Shelton Reed, this project has now come to fruition – see the article on Dykes later in this Magazine.

John retired as Editor in 2002 and in 2010 the Mulletts moved to Wardy Hill near Ely where his daughter Annie lives. He conducted his last service that year having served the church for 60 years. Joyce died last year and John followed her a year later. He had suffered from Alzheimer’s for some years. Our thoughts are with his family and our thanks for a lifetime of service from which the College benefitted as well as his local communities and the world at large.

Roger Stratford
And so, dear readers, I come to my penultimate Report, since the College has agreed that I lay down the burden of high (well, Senior Tutorial) office at the end of the coming academic year, easing in my yet-to-be-appointed successor as I move towards retirement two years hence. Last year, our then Master suggested that I might make my subject for this epistle what a Senior Tutor actually does; I instead promise next year to regale you with what he actually did.

Tripos performance has again been modest, with little change from last year’s position in the infamous League Tables, tables which the new incoming Data Protection legislation may render impossible to compile in future, since students will have to opt in to their names appearing on published Class-lists, an opportunity which I suspect is likely to attract only the bumptious or the unwary. We did produce more Firsts this year, with over 100 in Tripos, but there were a few lacklustre lower seconds and thirds to offset them. In many ways, the greatest achievement of any year is seeing through to successful outcomes with Honours a number of students who have struggled with physical, mental or financial challenges requiring high levels of academic and pastoral support; the cheering gratitude of these to the College is always one of the greatest pleasures of Graduation. But there were also levels of extraordinary attainment, with starred Firsts in English and Geography and a Tripos-topper in Theology as well, whilst individual year cohorts in Engineering, Medicine and Modern Languages performed superbly; the list of University Prizes in this publication tells a welcome story.

An equally welcome story has been the continuing success of the Development office, and of the Annual Fund; whilst some larger gifts have enabled us to establish much-needed full or part entrance scholarships for postgraduates in a range of subjects, the smaller regular donations coming in via the Telephone Campaign enable me, as I every year explain to the student telephonists, to provide our students – them – with exceptional levels of grants for travel, academic-related expenditure and hardship, as well as to support about a quarter of undergraduates with entrance bursaries which continue throughout their three or four years of study. It is a privilege for me to be in this position, and I thank all those readers who have given me that opportunity.

The early highlight of the year for me was unquestionably the English Reunion Day held on 19 November, when the opportunity to celebrate the Bard’s mortal quatercentenary provided the excuse for an entire day of frolicsome activities (only actual dressing-up excluded). An academic panel of Reavley Gair (1959), now sadly no longer with us – see Notices in this Magazine, Caroline Gonda (Fellow 1996) and Ronnie Mulryne (1955) gave us three very different ways of thinking about the plays, amiably chaired by Brian Gibbons (1958), which was followed by a scholarly and movingly personal – not phrases often paired – lecture from Hester Lees-Jeffries (Fellow 2006). The afternoon gave us performance workshops with College actors past and present run by three exciting and experienced directors: Robin Telfer (1978), Simon Godwin (1994) and Jay Miller (2003), ‘followed hard upon’ by a tribute to Peter Hall (1950, Honorary Fellow 1964) and Ian McKellen (1958, Honorary Fellow 1982), including a charmingly reminiscing message from Sir Ian, who was unavoidably elsewhere (onstage in Pinter’s No Man’s Land). Looking to the future rather than the past and present, Ruth Brock (1999), CEO of the Shakespeare Schools Festival, talked about the Festival’s work and its newly established collaboration with the College. The afternoon rounded off with an entertainment in words and music of rare magnificence, starring our Honorary Fellow Nigel Hess (1971, Honorary Fellow 2016) at the pianoforte, actor alumni Helen Duff (2005) and Scott Handy (1987), Edward Wickham (Fellow Commoner 2003, Fellow 2006, Director of Music) and the Choir, and Hester and me in support. And then we ate
and drank, and Jon Bate (1977, Research Fellow 1983, Honorary Fellow 2001), standing on a table to survey the throng, spoke wittily and wisely about Shakespeare and the College, including fascinatingly embarrassing extracts from his supervisor’s comments on his own undergraduate essays (the retention of which is the mark of the true scholar). Gosh, but we had a jolly time of it.

Other highlights of the year would include – but are not limited to – an excellent Graduate Symposium with speakers including former English students Nick Higham (1972) and Roger Harrabin (1973) and an outstandingly entertaining Tom Henn Lecture and dinner with Professor Edith Hall from KCL; oh, and I attended an astronaut’s wedding breakfast (see later in this section and Notices).

I also saw some brilliant theatre, elements with College involvement being Jay Miller’s Removal Men at the Yard Theatre in London (another of Jay’s shows, This Beautiful Future, which won critical acclaim earlier this year, returns in November, so get to it if you can), Simon Godwin’s Twelfth Night, with Tamsin Greig as a cross-gendered Malvolia, and the revived RSC Love’s Labour’s Lost and Love’s Labour’s Won (aka Much Ado About Nothing) at the Haymarket, both with Nigel Hess’s wonderful music. The forthcoming RSC Twelfth Night is also scored by Nigel, whilst Simon Godwin is to direct Timon of Athens at the RSC and Antony and Cleopatra next year at the National (and his production of Hamlet transfers to London in the Spring). Dominic Dromgoole (1982), late of the Globe, has founded a new company (Classic Spring) whose first work is an Oscar Wilde season beginning this autumn.

In addition to the usual College duties, this year has seen me take the Acting Secretoryship of the Senior Tutors’ Committee, which attempts to coordinate intercollegiate procedures and practices and to engage with the University via a host of committees. This has been frankly challenging and, returning for six months to a role I once held for three years, I am conscious of how much more often universities (and their constituent colleges) are subjected to unhelpful bureaucratic scrutiny. Fings ain’t wot they used t’be.

Last year, I rashly claimed that ‘by the time I write this column next year (if I’m spared), my Oxford edition of the poetry of Charles Cotton (1630–1687) should have rolled off the press, a mere thirty or so years after signing the contract’ – well, the revised final proofs went off a fortnight ago (all 1658 pages of them) and publication is due six weeks from now. I welcome your prayers for a safe delivery.

Paul Hartle

ADMISSIONS TUTORS’ REPORT

Life has, as usual, been busy in the Admissions Office, and not just during the October-to-January ‘selection and offer’ period. Promoting applications year-round is an increasingly important part of what we do, and especially crucial is Widening Participation.

There is a great deal of evidence suggesting that education is an effective way to promote long-term upward socioeconomic mobility. Many of those reading this article will be aware of the benefits a Cambridge education can bring – as well as enjoying themselves, our students are often at the start of a long, steep career trajectory which will eventually take them further than they ever imagined possible.

Every year St Catharine’s welcomes students who are the first in their family to go to university, or the first from their school to come to Cambridge. Once they are here, we in the Admissions Office know who they are, but we doubt many of their peers do – the social blur of the first term is a great leveller.
Of course, widening the pool from which we draw our students represents simple social fairness, but it also makes good academic sense, too. To the fellowship, the possibility that we might be missing out on teaching some of the brightest minds because they lack support, confidence or money, is a continual worry.

One element of Widening Participation is the University’s access agreement with the Office For Fair Access. Like other universities, Cambridge negotiates a series of Widening Participation commitments with OFFA, and in return is permitted to charge the student fees which allow it to function. This might seem a rather arm-twisting process, but Cambridge's negotiators are good at striking agreements based on real data, and the science of the possible. Also we are pleased to say that Catz is well able to help the University reach its goals because of the applicants we attract.

And therein lies the key to Widening Participation. If we can attract excellent applicants from poor-performing schools and backgrounds of low educational opportunity, then reaching our targets becomes much more attainable. We employ a full-time Schools Liaison Officer, Jessy Ahluwalia, who spends her time either travelling out to schools, or inviting schools to visit Catz, to provide their pupils and teachers with advice, information and inspiration. The effects of this chalk-face work can be remarkable, with teenagers visibly raising their aspirations before one's eyes. Only some of them will apply to St Catharine's, but we are now starting to track the impact of our work on students' aspirations within the university sector as a whole.

There remain pupils who are told Cambridge is 'not for them', and schools who never even reply to our e-mails, but the direction of travel is definitely encouraging. Widening the applicant pool is the key, but we must also help students once they are here. Students from low-income families receive annual Cambridge Bursaries of up to £4000, and St Catharine's tops these up by as much as £1000. As a result, Cambridge has one of the lowest drop-out rates in the country, and no UK student has to leave for financial reasons.

Of course, all this support is not cheap. Our Schools Liaison Officer post has at times been funded by targeted donations, but at present the College bears the cost. Along with funding our various outreach activities and the bursary support we provide, the price of our Widening Participation activities comes to an eye-watering sum – more than half a million pounds every year for St Catharine's alone. Many of the financial demands of promoting fairness in education now fall to universities, and this is unlikely to change any time soon.

Widening Participation does work – we see it all the time. Once disadvantaged applicants apply, the unique Cambridge admissions process really does give them a fair chance of gaining a place. However, we must continue to strive to make Cambridge education accessible, and to make it seem accessible. Widening Participation is now an expensive and complex project, yet often all we seek is for a teenager to make that first aspirational click onto our website.

David Bainbridge & Miranda Griffin
BURSAR’S REPORT

Reports in recent Magazines have talked of the need to expand our student accommodation if we are to house the significant proportion of undergraduates who stay on for a fourth year of study, especially in Natural Sciences and Engineering, and the appropriate proportion of our Graduate students, which is probably 50–65%, rather than 100% of Undergraduates. In this ongoing matter, 2016–7 saw two interesting developments.

First, the College decided at the end of Michaelmas Term to step back from participating in the plans to re-develop the Old Press Site across Silver Street into additional student accommodation. The key reasons behind that decision related to the architectural opportunity, tenure, cost, and timetable.

- It became clear in late 2016 that the University wished to retain a significant proportion of the space on the part of the site closest to College, while the City Council wished to see the preservation of many of the existing building facades. Both of these would constrain our ability to plan an excellent new College courtyard which would appeal to both students and alumni.
- Only a long leasehold interest in the site was on offer from the University, and it was quite clear that this diminished the appeal to some fellows and alumni.
- Cost estimates had risen to a point where developing on an adjacent long leasehold appeared markedly less favourable than seeking to extend our existing freehold accommodation sites. The latter also offer a more granular route ahead, which diminishes the risk of financial over-commitment ahead of our available resources.
- The timetable for development of the Old Press Site has lengthened significantly, which both exposes all parties to greater risks of cost inflation and delays building the new rooms which we really need in the near future.

The Governing Body had spent a significant amount of time debating the merits of the Old Press Site over several meetings and by December it was able to arrive at a unanimous decision not to go further with the scheme. As a result, we are now assessing several options to expand accommodation across our current sites. Probably the most appealing opportunity is to expand the St Chad’s site, by demolishing the Octagon (which has never lived up to the original aspirations), and replacing it with a more usable space for students and hopefully around 25 new student ensuite rooms. We have shortlisted three architects from an initial competition and will work to choose a single firm with which to develop a detailed design, and begin a planning application by Summer 2018.

We are also in the planning application process with another opportunity, two houses we own on Grantchester Meadows, at the side of the cricket pitch. We hope this will provide up to 20 new student rooms, and work is expected to commence in the current academic year.

On a different theme, I have been asked on several occasions what effect the increased student fees have had on the finances of the College now that, effectively, all Home/EU undergraduates are on the new fee of £9,000pa, rising to £9,250pa in 2017–8.

In the final year before the introduction of the £9,000 fee, 2011–2, the College’s fee income per UK/EU undergraduate was £3,951. This was a combination of the fee paid by a student and a grant from the government. In 2016–7 the equivalent figure was roughly £4,250 because the £9,000 headline fee is shared equally between University and College, and government support for the College in this regard has reduced to nil, and finally because part of the full fee is allocated (from both the University and College shares) to support students from lower income households. The percentage rise of 8% over that period compares with Retail Price Index growth of 12%.
In essence, it can be seen that the College’s income per undergraduate student, after losing the benefit of the central government grant and sharing the £9,000 fee with the University, has not kept up with inflation. All the heat created by the Government’s decision to transfer the cost of an undergraduate from taxpayers to current students and their families has not advantaged the College financially, indeed it has lagged behind inflation. The announcement that the 2017–8 increase to a £9,250 total fee will then be frozen for several years hardly offers us any comfort.

Simon Summers

ALUMNI AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT

At the beginning of my tenth year as Director of Development for St Catharine’s, I feel that alumni relations, communications with our members and fundraising are ably looked after by the Alumni and Development Office (ADO) team. Guy Lawrenson, Stephen Bland and Emily Passmore have joined us this year. Along with Hannah Williamson, Catriona Wilson and Sam Dellar, they make up an efficient and dynamic team.

A year ago, as a result of over 2,000 large and small gifts, we completed our ambitious goal to raise £30 million for new buildings, renovation of historic ones, all aspects of student support, and funding College teaching and research. With our new master, Professor Sir Mark Welland, in place, we are now consulting with our fellows, members, students and staff on the shape and feel of College over the next half century, which will then inform our fundraising strategy.

This year we welcomed more members to the 1473 Foundation at the annual Gala in College. We are proud that the Foundation now has over 80 members who have very generously made gifts to St Catharine’s of £50,000 and above.

In February this year, the Master and I met members in Kuala Lumpur, Singapore and Hong Kong. Last November, both Professor Sir Chris Clark and our Master gave talks in New York to our members and other alumni from Cambridge University. In May, I enjoyed hosting a very well-attended dinner in Toronto, and in September the Master and I attended gatherings to meet our alumni in San Francisco and Vancouver. In addition, Professor Eilís Ferran hosted dinners in Melbourne and Dusseldorf as part of the University Global Cambridge series.

Unrestricted £3,148,918
Student support £473,146
Buildings £83,985
Sport, Music, Chapel and Library £115,107
Annual Fund £327,184
Teaching £718,531

New campaign: funds raised (1 June 2016 to 30 June 2017)
Nearer to home, one of the highlights of the year was the College’s reception for the master at the Foundling Museum, London, which gave our members the opportunity to welcome the Welland family. A capacity audience in the rococo Court Room heard Sir Mark, the 39th master of the College, set out his vision. A guided walk earlier in the evening, led by Lester Hillman (1970), uncovered intrigue and drama on the doorstep. Richard Hannay, the hero of John Buchan’s *The Thirty-Nine Steps*, traced these same streets in *Mr Standfast*, set in 1917. Traitors, spies and a regency prime minister’s assassin were uncovered, together with a Cold War dead letter box.

Overseas there are now many international groups of St Catharine’s members. We are grateful to the volunteers for their organisation of events for these groups. Details of the international groups can be found on the website under alumni, then international groups.

Lastly we continue to be very grateful to our members and friends who have made provision in their will for the College. Legacies have formed a key part of the success of the College throughout our history, from the bequest of Mary Ramsden in 1745 to that of Dr John Shakeshaft in 2016. A gift by way of a legacy enables St Catharine’s to continue to develop, to innovate and to inspire for many years to come.

As we look forward to 2018, I do hope we will be able to welcome you back to a College event, and wish you all the best for the new year.

Deborah Loveluck

**LIBRARY REPORT**

Robert Woodlark endowed his College with a library of over one hundred books and manuscripts. This was a remarkable gift – by comparison, the University Library contained just over three hundred volumes at this time. Woodlark’s library was a practical one, heavy on Aquinas and the Church Fathers, core reading for an institution founded for the study of theology and philosophy. But the collection also contained some unusual, and no doubt beautiful, manuscripts: music for the Chapel, Boccaccio’s moralistic biographies, Guido delle Colonne’s narrative of the Trojan war, a history of St Catharine herself.

Today, the Library still contains a mix of the utilitarian and the remarkable. We have about 45,000 borrowable books and 10,000 ‘unique and distinctive’ ones. Yet the boundaries are fuzzy. Fellows use our rare books and manuscripts for teaching and research. Potential students tour the working libraries, but are introduced to our special collections too. When we installed John Addenbrooke’s library in the
refurbished Ramsden Room, it became a talking point, an object of pride, but also a focus of study. Rare books are part of our heritage, but they don’t just sit in a dusty basement. Our rare books collection forms a working library too.

We think it’s important to familiarize College members with these older collections. Once a term, for a couple of hours over lunch, library staff gather together a dozen related rare books and manuscripts. We invite the College to view these volumes with us, learn about them, and (under careful supervision) handle them too. Last year, we held displays about magic, voyages of discovery, and the marks of possession left in our books by their former owners. We aim to make these exhibitions both educational and convivial gatherings; and they’ve been more successful than we could have imagined.

In the Library, our focus remains the provision of reading material, quiet study spaces, and academic support services for our students. But as knowledge of our special collections increases, our profile as a rare books library expands. In the past year, we’ve collaborated with the Diocesan Museum in Paderborn, Germany, lending them a manuscript for exhibition. A project to catalogue our sixteenth-century printed books is ongoing, as is the compilation of a new manuscript catalogue. This term, digitized versions of our most treasured items will begin to appear on the UL’s Digital Library. Most pleasing of all, students are using our rare books in increasing numbers. As we embrace the changes which come with twenty-first century librarianship, we’re reminded that the library is also a site of continuity.

Colin Higgins

CHAPEL AND CHAPLAINCY REPORT

Stuart Townend, a renowned contemporary hymn writer, is probably best known for his hymn *In Christ Alone*, but this year when he came to preach he had *O to See the Dawn* arranged in four parts for choir and congregation. An unusual addition to the Choir’s repertoire, and beautifully sung, it provided a lovely counterpart to our commemoration earlier in the term of that great Anglo-Catholic hymnodist and alumnus of the College, JB Dykes. We strive to welcome a healthy measure of diversity in the Chapel to ensure that as many students as possible can find a home within its community and learn about and from one another’s faith.

This year the Chaplaincy has continued to provide daily prayer in the Chapel, with services sung by the Girls’ Choir on Tuesday evenings and the Student Choir on Thursday evenings and on Sunday mornings and evenings. Attendance has remained healthy with the late Thursday evening Nightsongs catering especially for the graduate community being particularly good. At Evensong on Sundays we have had two themed preaching series, the first on *Faith in Music* including our director of music, Dr Edward Wickham, the Revd Professor Jeremy Begbie, the Revd Professor June Boyce-Tillman MBE, the Very Revd Jane Hedges, Dean of Norwich Cathedral, and the aforementioned Mr Stuart Townend. The second series on *Faith in Public Life* included Dr Ruth Valerio from the environmental charity A Rocha UK, Dr Adrian Pabst, the Rt Revd Lord Harries of Pentregarth, the Revd Dr Jeremy Morris, Master of Trinity Hall, the Revd Kate Botley and Nick Spencer from the think tank Theos. These provided a diverse and engaging set of addresses. The St Catharine’s Day preacher was alumna Professor Catherine Pickstock, Professor of Metaphysics and Poetics in the Faculty of Divinity here at Cambridge.

The Chapel has continued to provide a number of special services including the All Souls’ Service of Remembrance for the families of College members who have died in the past year, a themed service on music in honour of St Cecilia, a service on *Poetry of the Passion* and two services to celebrate the 500th

Colin Higgins
anniversary of the Reformation employing the music of JS Bach and Claude Le Jeune in context. The Chaplain's forum, discussion and reading groups have provided ongoing opportunities for reflection on faith and the Chaplain's Tea continues to provide welfare support and community building alongside individual work with students in need. The Retreat this year, generously supported by the Michael Farrant Fund, enabled a dozen students to take time out for rest, study and mutual support. The YMCA winter sleep out provided a somewhat damp opportunity for community engagement and charitable support alongside the charities that the Chapel community continues generously to support.

The Fabric of the Chapel has been enhanced through the addition of bespoke cupboards in the ante-chapel that have facilitated keeping the Chapel tidy and enabled better storage of music for the Choirs. A new brass plaque was unveiled in honour of the hymn writer and alumnus JB Dykes, which was unveiled at a special service in his honour at which the Dean of Ely, the Very Revd Mark Bonney, preached. This was generously supported by Professor John Shelton Reed (Honorary Fellow) and Dale Volberg Reed – see article later in this Magazine.

We baptised Serena Bailhache, Bethany Cullum, and Yichen (Kelly) Chen (all 2013), and Scarlett Blacker (2015) and Yichen (Kelly) Chen were confirmed at the University Confirmation service. Three couples were married in the Chapel: Sarah Henderson (2009) married Christopher Orwin (2009) and James Thorpe (2006) married Claire Gillan (2004). The third was the marriage of Jennifer Sidey (Fellow) and Chris Gibbons, which we managed to arrange at just two weeks’ notice after Jenni was accepted into the Canadian Space Programme; this enabled her to get married before she left for Houston. The whole College pulled together to give her a wonderful wedding and send off and I think it was fair to say she was over the moon.

Also worth mentioning, although we don’t always receive the news in time for addition in this report, is that two alumni were ordained this year – Nick Walters (2008) was ordained deacon in St Paul’s, London, and Tom Sharp (2009) was ordained deacon in Newcastle Cathedral.

Many thanks to all who continue to support the life and work of the Chapel, not least through your prayers.

David Neaum

THE 2016 COMMEMORATION OF BENEFACtorS SERMON

The sermon was preached on St Catharine’s Day by Professor Catherine Pickstock (1988), Fellow of Emmanuel College and Professor of Metaphysics and Poetics. She writes:

Our college is named for St Catharine. We do not know who, or, according to some, if she was. Yet by her effects of love, whoever she was, we do know that she was, and can celebrate her. She represents one aspect of the founding of the Christian faith: the resistance of women, who sought to study and contemplate, against forced obliteration of their liberty to choose a religious path. Catharine was supposed to be broken on a wheel, but her legend says that her gaze instead broke it. So the fiery wheel which burns on her Feast Day, in her name, is not a wheel of burning hatred and torture, but represents an eternal circling of spiritual light which precedes any destructive fire, and consumes it, just as Catharine destroyed the circle of destruction.

For this eternal light is not the light of something, but rather the light that exists before anything. It is then the light of recollection, and of praise, which pre-exists all things sung, praised and recollected, and ensures that they exist insofar as they are praised, insofar as they are brought back into the light.

In my examination of the significance of St Catharine in this sermon, I brought together praise and recollection in a close reading of the famous passage from Ecclesiastics in order to come to a better understanding of how we are transformed when we commemorate benefactors.
It has, I’m sure, become tiresome to read music reports boasting of how busy we all are. Busy is the new norm when it comes to Music at St Catharine’s, and in particular the two choirs. That we have two new recordings ‘in the can’, waiting for release in the coming 12 months, is sufficient proof of the immense productivity of our choristers.

For the College Choir, the central reportorial focus has been the music of the French Reformation composers Claude Le Jeune and Claude Goudimel. Neither will be familiar unless you are a particular fan of the Renaissance chanson, but Le Jeune in particular was responsible for a collection of motets based on Calvinist Psalm tunes which are unjustly neglected and which the College Choir has set out to champion. This is no easy task – both words and musical idiom present significant challenges – but the enthusiasm with which the choir has embraced the project – to the extent of creating a special Le Jeune sweatshirt – is a testament to its spirited engagement. The recording was completed in June and is due for release on the Resonus Classics label in March 2018: a significant addition to the discography of Renaissance choral music.

In the same period the choir had a CD to launch, Gaudent in Coelis, featuring music by three leading contemporary British composers, Judith Bingham, Sally Beamish and Joanna Marsh, and including
the latter’s Missa Brevis, commissioned for the St Catharine’s Choirs. Flown by enthusiastic reviews, the choir gave a memorable performance of the repertoire at St Martin’s in the Field; a concert which also included Allegri’s iconic Miserere, top notes supplied by our indefatigable ex-Head Chorister and BBC Chorister of the Year, Agatha Pethers.

The Girls’ Choir has also been recording – in this case of songs by Benjamin Britten, Richard Rodney Bennett, Sally Beamish and Jonathan Dove. But their attention has been equally focussed on some of the grandest choral music in the repertoire, supplying the children’s choir element in Mahler’s vast Third Symphony, Elgar’s Dream of Gerontius, James MacMillan’s St Luke Passion and John Adams’s powerful memorial to the dead of 9/11, On the Transmigration of Souls. That, along with a live BBC broadcast and a collaboration with the East Bay Piedmont Children’s Choir, has meant more than the usual quota of coach journey sing-a-longs and late nights.

After all this, a College Choir trip to Malta sounds almost like a downbeat; but it provided the perfect – if blisteringly hot – end to a significant year in the life of Catz music.

Edward Wickham

KELLAWAY CONCERTS, 2016–7

I will never think about the accordion in the same way again; nor, I imagine, will anybody who attended Josef Purits’s virtuoso recital in November – undoubtedly the most unusual offering in the Kellaway season. It is not a matter of record whether Donald Kellaway, whose generous bequest funds the series, approved of the accordion; but he will surely have approved of the programme which included Bach, Scarlatti and Mendelssohn, as well as contemporary works designed specifically for the instrument.

But our Kellaway audiences are used to the unusual and ground-breaking. Thus they took the new music presented by the student Siegfried Ensemble in their stride; and so also the rarely performed Reformation psalm settings of Claude Le Jeune, programmed by the College Choir in their October recital. This was a year in which the choir were particularly active, and its second recital for the Kellaway series – in March – featured new works from its recent CD release, by Judith Bingham, Joanna Marsh and Sally Beamish.

The new and the old sat side-by-side in Clare Hammond’s exquisite piano recital: Beethoven and Stravinsky, but also works by St Catharine’s alumnus and Honorary Fellow Robert Saxton (1972). And Beethoven stood alone in the Barbican Trio’s recital, for which the College Chapel’s fine acoustic, and the Steinway Grand, could have been made.

The Kellaway Series thus continues to offer something a little different in the crowded concert market-place which is Cambridge. It is a rare privilege, nay indulgence, to have the opportunity of bringing in such diverse repertoire and talent to our doorstep. In 2018 we will be celebrating fifteen years of this adventure, and have a sensational anniversary concert lined up. More to follow …

Edward Wickham
STAFF NEWS

Dom Mulcrone, Head Porter, retired in September 2017 after over 25 years at the College. He has written an article about his time at St Catharine’s – see later in this Magazine. Stephanie Clarke left in June 2017 after over 16 years in the College IT department. She writes ‘When I first arrived the Computer Office (as it was then known) was in Woodlark 1A, which is now the Upper Woodlark Computer Room, and Wifi didn’t exist. Conferences were few and did not involve IT at all. Now, conferences, meetings and other events with their AV needs are significant effort, especially since the opening of the McGrath Centre. The new telephone system was a big IT project – Internet phones were installed throughout College in 2008–9. At first students were charged an addition to their room rent for an Internet connection; the charge was eventually merged with the rent when nearly all requested a connection.’

David Benton joined the College kitchen staff eighteen years ago and has worked for the last three years in the pastry department. In 2016 he completed a year-long part-time patisserie and confectionery diploma course at Westminster Kingsway College in London. As well as the Diploma he was also awarded an Outstanding Achievement Award. He writes ‘Because of my dairy and gluten allergies, I couldn’t try any of the dishes I produced so getting the award was a big surprise.’

JENNİ SIDEY

Members of the Governing Body were very interested to learn in the spring that our relatively new fellow in Engineering and University Lecturer in Internal Combustion Engines, Dr Jenni Sidey, had been shortlisted in the Canadian Space Agency’s selection process for prospective astronauts. When, in July, she was actually selected (one of two from over 3700 candidates) the interest turned to delight and congratulations. In interviews with press and television, Jenni told of the gruelling series of tests she had had to undergo – medical, IQ, spatial awareness, survival (like escaping from a helicopter upside down underwater). She left for Houston, Texas, to begin her training the very next month (just in time to meet hurricane Harvey) and says that she is looking forward to learning so many new skills (Russian, robotics, aeronautics, the space walk etc.) and to doing some experimental science in space, perhaps even trying out new spacecraft. As a
young girl Jenni was inspired by Canadian astronaut Roberta Bondar and is now enthusiastic about becoming a role model herself – she would like to increase the number of girls studying Engineering, a subject in which women are very under-represented world-wide, and in the UK and Canada in particular. See also Honours & Awards in this Magazine.

It is likely to be two years before Jenni gets to go into space and the Governing Body has granted her special leave of absence. At the September reunion the Master remarked that we might soon have a galactic branch of the Society, but I doubt Jenni would have been quite so thrilled to overhear one student suggesting that we were the only college to have an extra-terrestrial as a fellow.

ST CATHARINE’S AND THE INTERNATIONAL CHEMISTRY OLYMPIAD

A photograph taken at the 2016 International Chemistry Olympiad, a competition held for pre-university students, that year held in Tbilisi, Georgia.

Remarkably, all four of the UK team were holding offers from St Catharine’s and have now matriculated. Furthermore, three other competitors from the EU have also joined the College from Lithuania, Latvia and Hungary. Dr Wothers (1988), Janis Briska (2012), and Peter Bolgar (2013) were there as organisers or mentors.


GLEN CAVALIERO’S 90TH BIRTHDAY

A lunch was held in June 2017 to celebrate Glen Cavaliero’s 90th Birthday. Senior Tutor Paul Hartle (one of Glen’s pupils) spoke about Glen’s entry to the College as a mature student (aged 38) in 1965 and his subsequent election to a Research Fellowship in 1967 (when the College had only 22 fellows) and to a Fellow Commonership in 1986. He read a poem from Glen’s latest anthology *A Flash of Weathercocks* and thanked Glen for all his work for the College.
**PROFESSOR SIR ALAN BATTERSBY’S MEDALS**

Display cabinets have been placed in the McGrath Centre to show Professor Sir Alan Battersby’s medals. See the 2012 Magazine for an article with details of the major ones.

At the unveiling of the cabinets, Sir Alan spoke as follows:

“Thank you all for coming to share in the launch of these display cabinets. They are here and the display set up by the efforts of the Bursar and Peter Wothers together with Colin Higgins (College Librarian), Sarah Fletcher (Assistant Librarian) and Lizzy Ennion-Smith (Archivist), but also several other helpers and I want to thank them all.

You will agree that the cabinets are quite splendid and also very secure. If they were attacked with a sledge hammer by the strongest fellow in College (who would that be?), the contents would still be safe.

The reason I decided to donate my medals to the College was that they were sitting in my home safe doing absolutely nothing useful at all. So I thought, would it not be marvellous to have them available here to all the members of College where they might act as a stimulus and maybe even give some inspiration.

I am very happy to see the medals here in College; I am extremely fond of St Catharine’s and am delighted to be a member.”

**THE ST CATHARINE’S LECTURES**

The McGrath Centre comes into its own for presenting the St Catharine’s Lecture Series. Lectures this year have been named for past fellows John Addenbrooke, Tom Henn and Chris Bayly. See the article later in this Magazine for the lectures which commemorate the 250th anniversary of the founding of Addenbrooke’s Hospital.

**PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION**

As usual, some of the pictures entered for this year’s competition are being used for fronting sections in the Magazine. The theme was Hidden St Catharine’s and the winning picture (at the front of this section) was taken by Chris Watts (2016).
GRADUATE RESEARCH SEMINARS

The Graduate Research Seminar provides an opportunity for our graduate students and research fellows to discuss their work before an astute and very friendly audience. The diverse audience of expert insiders and interested outsiders also gives speakers an opportunity to hone their communication skills, and for the rest of us to be exposed to unfamiliar problems, methodologies and theories.

Michaelmas Term

- Charlie Northrop (PhD in Classics) Archetypal Characterisation in Ovid’s Metamorphoses: a study in the process of writing myths
- Elena Loche (PhD in Biochemistry) Eating for two during pregnancy: consequences for offspring’s health
- Johanna Syrjanen (PhD in Biochemistry) Structural studies on the lateral element of the meiosis specific synaptonemal complex
- Sebastian Steingass (PhD in Politics) What does Brexit have to do with international development?

Lent Term

- Dr Milan Pajic (Violet and Ian Campbell Research Fellow) The Migration of Flemish Weavers to England in the Fourteenth Century: The Economic Influence and Transfer of Skills 1351–81
- Jamie Trace (PhD in History) Giovanni Botero and English Political Thought
- Danilo Cardim (PhD in Neuroscience) Pressures and the Brain: the Challenges of Non-invasive Monitoring in Clinical Neurosciences
- Samuel Niblett (PhD in Chemistry) Energy Landscapes in Atomic and Molecular Science: Theory and Practice

Easter Term

- Naim Bro (PhD in Sociology) Family networks and the formation of the Chilean State, 1834–91
- Emily Hallinan (PhD in Archaeology) Variation and modernity in Middle Stone Age landscape-use behaviour in the Tankwa Karoo (Northern Cape, South Africa)

STEM IN SONG

On a breezy evening in September St Catharine’s welcomed nine finalists from schools across the country for the STEM in Song Awards Ceremony.

STEM in Song was born out of a series of songs which the Girls’ Choir commissioned, inspired by scientific texts (STEM means Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics). Inspired by these songs, Jenni Sidey – our soon-to-be extraterrestrial fellow – thought we should develop these songs into a bigger project. Jenni decided that St Catharine’s should hold a competition to create and commission a new science song, which would be presented at the Cambridge Science Festival and beyond, and which would provide a platform to encourage girls aged between 11 and 16, from across the country, to have their say about science. There is still a continuing tendency for our society to paint science subjects as boys’ subjects. This project is part of the College’s ongoing campaign to demonstrate that such a belief is out of place in the twenty-first century – and that it has no place in the world which we are building together for the future, for our daughters. Together with Edward Wickham, Jenni opened the STEM in
Song competition in the spring; it received over 60 entries, which were carefully whittled down by our expert judges Sophie Kinsella, Mary Dobson, Steve McGann and Lyn Welland to a group of nine.

Each of the finalists read out their poems, interspersed with science demonstrations by Mike Gaultois and Mairi Kilkenny, and performances from the Girls’ Choir. It was a lovely evening, with only a few experimental mishaps, and a really high standard from all finalists (joint entry Lily Aiken & Lucy Lockwood, Isabella Bridge, Lydia Harper, Charlotte Helliar, Adchaya Ithayarajah, Emily Lyon, Maya Nell, Eve Sherratt-Cross and Isabella Wickham). Ultimately the judges selected a clear winner – see below. With its clever use of scientific metaphors, and elegantly simple rhyme scheme, it is the ideal poem to be set to music by acclaimed composer Gwyneth Herbert.

The winning poem was There in front of me by Isabella Bridge from Caedmon College in Whitby.

There in front of me
I can be whatever I want to be
To touch the sky
Or dive under the sea.
So much to discover –
It’s there in front of me.

The thrust of thought pulls me forward,
And the momentum carries me through.
It lifts me on wings
And my thoughts take flight.
Sunlight scatters,
And the sky seems blue.

Thoughts spin from my mind
A mass of tangled memories
That stem from deep within my soul
And all that strange charm
Is there in front of me.
NEWS FROM THE JCR

As usual, the outgoing academic year has seen remarkable and noteworthy changes for the Junior Combination Room. The JCR was delighted to welcome a new euphoric and confident, yet kind and modest cohort of first years in October. As expected, they have embraced the atmosphere of the JCR, characterised by a reinvigoration of involvement in sports, societies, charities and academia.

But before moving onto the considerable positive changes of the current JCR, it would be impossible to do so without reflecting on the incredible successes of the previous Committee and its President, Arnav Kapur, between this time last year and their handovers to the current Committee and myself, in Michaelmas and Lent respectively. Throughout their tenure, the previous Committee took great progressive strides, notably regarding welfare and access. After a strenuous effort, it was finally agreed that a disabled access room would be completed in College to allow all potential students an equal chance to embrace the spirit of St Catharine’s. Additionally, the introduction of a number of ‘gender neutral’ toilets has been part of an ongoing campaign to help transgender students feel more comfortable in the welcoming environment of the College. Perhaps the greatest change regarding accessibility and diversity in St Catharine’s came with the introduction of five new roles for the Committee in the new offices of LGBT+, BME, Women’s, Disabilities and International Representatives.

On a lighter note, permission was also granted for a second St Catharine’s Garden Party, and previous Vice President Anna Myers did a stunning job in organising an afternoon of enjoyment for students, fellows and staff in the absence of a May Ball. As is always the case, there has been a strong charitable element present throughout much of the activities and events enjoyed by the JCR, including a portion of the ticket sales for the Garden Party being allocated to charities chosen by the College as well as other innovations, such as the continuation of ‘Catz Comedy Night’. Following the election of myself in Michaelmas term, my first test set by my predecessor was to put into action the mandate given to the Committee by a referendum held previously that voted in favour of removing the advantage traditionally given to scholars in the balloting system. This was passed popularly by both the JCR students and the fellows. Soon, however, it was time for the current committee to handover early in Lent Term and in came a refreshed group of first and second years.

After much research by the Welfare Officers, Maddy Rose and Felix Peckham, it was decided by the JCR that free sanitary products would be provided by the JCR in the College bathrooms and this is something that we hope to have implemented over summer. The Welfare Officers also introduced a very popular ‘welfare massage’ event, where students could receive neck and shoulder massages to de-stress them in the frenzy of Easter Term! More fresh ideas came from Muhammed Khan who provided great support for open days and other access initiatives. Dominic O’Tuminu, the newly elected BME Officer, has also worked tirelessly to compile BME-specific access information from College fellows and staff.

Great changes have also been welcomed on the catering front, with Maddy Rennie relentlessly working to improve the options available to vegetarians and vegans in hall. Perhaps most successfully, the JCR have seen an expansion of the ever-popular café in College, now including a salad bar available during weekday lunches as well as the introduction of smoothies and iced coffees! On the Formal Hall front, the Friday Formal Hall was abolished due to lack of demand and has been replaced by a sell-out ‘Super Formal’ occurring once a month, which includes a fish course.

After their introduction by Susannah Worth last year, Student Minds Catz has gone from strength to strength as a group of students dedicated to mental health awareness in College. Through small initiatives and larger events, such as the Wellness Weekend in February, the Student Minds Catz Committee have worked endlessly to tackle the stigma surrounding mental health and create a more supportive environment in College for positive mental well-being. The regular movie nights proved
a popular Easter Term stress-buster for many a tired student! Student Minds Catz have also worked with the JCR Welfare Team to publicise their activities and general tips for wellness on social media, something that has surely helped many of us as we scroll through our Facebook feeds in the library!

Kate Merry, the Charities Officer, has also worked with one of the Student Minds Catz co-leaders and Catz Pink Week College Rep, Carolyn Irvine, on a host of activities for Pink Week in the College to raise awareness of breast cancer. The Catz community raised over £300 in collections and plenty more through ticket sales for the Pink Week Ball in February. The College’s first Pink Week included a fundraiser, a formal dinner, a pub quiz, a bake off and a chapel service with the help of many kind volunteers. This is a marked success that we hope to see continue onto next year. The annual Acheson-Gray Day was also a great success for charities at Catz, raising just under £500 for the Senior Tutor’s Counselling Fund. But it wasn’t only sport that saw money raised for charity at Catz Pitches, with the YMCA ‘sleep easy’ being hosted there earlier in November to raise money to support young people in Cambridge. Two sell-out ‘Family Formals’ were also hosted, with the money being donated to charities selected by the College. Overall, it has been a standout year for charities at Catz.

Finally, at the end of a long year I’d like to thank the new JCR Committee members, especially both the former and current Vice-Presidents, Anna Myers and Shashwat Jha respectively, who ensured a very smoothly run Committee. More special thanks on the staff and fellows’ side go to Simon Summers, David Neaum, Paul Hartle, Lucy Murray, Miranda Griffin, John Xuereb and all the Porters for their combined support and assistance. Last, but certainly not least, I’d like to extend huge thanks to Dom Mulcrone, who sadly leaves us this summer, for going above and beyond the line of duty in supporting the JCR. We wish him the very best in his retirement. In my role as JCR President I have been privileged to meet, work with and learn from the truly exceptional individuals who make Catz such a special and distinct college. I will be very sad to see my term end. Thank you for all your help and support.

President: Dylan Carroll

Environmental affairs

St Catharine’s has continued enthusiastically to pursue environmental initiatives, and our efforts have been recognized by a gold award from the University-wide Green Impact scheme, as well as from the Student Switch Off campaign for the 2016–7 year. This year has seen the launch of the Catz gardening society, which cultivates an allotment by the sports pitches and is currently harvesting courgettes, runner beans, cucumbers, tomatoes, onions, carrots and more! The JCR has written a detailed ‘green guide’ to improve daily environmental decisions, and actions students can do specifically at Catz. Other highlights include the highest participation in the Student Switch Off climate change awareness quiz, for which we celebrated with 100 tubs of Ben and Jerry’s ice cream, and the implementation of the ‘lug-a-mug’ scheme in the bar, where the coffee is locally and sustainably sourced, and the grounds are used for composting. The JCR and MCR are keen to continue this momentum and keep pushing for improved environmental practices in the coming year.

Environmental Officer: Katie Daehn

The JCR allotment near South Green Lodge, in August. From left to right: Maryam Nabeelah Ismail, Katie Daehn, Terry Wu and Danilo Cardim.
Garden Party
First, I would like to say a huge thank you to the committee for producing such an incredible garden party; it would not have been possible without them! Back in November the committee was put together and since, have had just seven months to create a fun filled, memorable afternoon, exclusively Catz students, staff and fellows dressed in their finest summer attire.

The committee decided on the title: ‘Bicycle to Tricycle: Ride Back to your Childhood’ as the theme of the event. This ties in the popular Cambridge mode of transport and the ‘wheel’ of the College allowing all to relive their childhood days. After many committee meetings, help of College staff and fellows, health and safety briefings, contract writing and more, seven months flew by and May Week had arrived. The few days leading up the event were surprisingly calm – the committee had done a fantastic job of ensuring that everything was in place and organised before the event. On the morning of Wednesday 21 June, despite many committee members having attended other May Balls the night before, everyone was up early and eager to transform both Main Court and Sherlock Court. I can proudly say this was accomplished!

I would like to say a big thank you to design! The eye catching and beautifully designed decorations brought the space to life. There were interactive blackboards and chalk, paddling pools to cool the feet on the hottest day of the year and a range of colourful seating for all to use. The original bunting created by Beth Barker’s Grandma’s old dresses were the talk of the event, while many people took photos in front of the Bicycle inspired sculpture placed in front of the gates in Main court.

The food and drink went down a treat! The food in particular closely followed the theme of the event, with popcorn and candyfloss, ‘pic n mix’, chocolate fountain, ice cream and Aromi pizza. Under Simon Summers’ strict orders of a ‘classy’ event, unlimited numbers of San Pellegrino soft drinks were available from ice buckets and the baskets of tricycles, while the amazing College staff were busy putting together Sangria and Pimms and serving Prosecco for the afternoon!

The entertainment team were fantastic! Every bit of the entertainment was carefully thought out, fitted the theme and helped make the College event spectacular. The constant flow of bubbles added to
the atmosphere of Main court, while acoustic groups and jazz bands played throughout the four-hour event. The caricature artist and face painter were highlights while the garden games such as giant Jenga and Connect 4 bought back many childhood memories.

The whole event could not have taken place without the fantastic work of our Treasurer, Vice-President, Logistics Officer, and Marketing & Ticketing Officer. The marketing which spread between Facebook events and pages, a website, programmes and more were all incredible. It looked very professional and was a quite remarkable result! A budget and (almost more importantly!) a risk assessment are key in this day and age and both were done impeccably. There are so many people who have worked behind the scenes to sort out so many unexpected problems and do all the nitty gritty work which is key!

I hope that this biannual summer event will now become a tradition of the College being such a success this year, and will grow in the future.

President of the St Catharine's College Garden Party 2017: Anna Myers

NEWS FROM THE MCR

The year has been busy and full of fun for the MCR. The new committee was eager to begin activities for the graduate students staying in Cambridge over the summer, so hosted a series of barbecues. These rotated around each graduate accommodation, giving us a chance to visit each residence and ensuring that everyone could take part. Following this, preparations got under way to welcome our 116 incoming matriculands, which involved finding them College parents and revamping the MCR with laptop stands, a new May Ball photo above our fireplace and a 1995 Catz oar, donated by a kind Fellow. The new students brought the student total up to 244 undertaking Masters or PhD courses, with an additional 38 fourth year undergraduates who accepted our invitation of honorary MCR membership. Freshers’ Week kicked off with a customary ‘meet your neighbours’ event, which was a chance for all of the incoming students to meet each other and the returning students. This was followed by a new addition to the introductory events calendar – a ‘selfie’ hunt around Cambridge, introducing the students to their new home by collecting photos at many well-known sights. Other highlights of the two weeks of events included punting on the Cam, the ever-popular wine and cheese reception and a visit to the theatre to see *Pride and Prejudice*.

A notable addition to the MCR in October this year was our allotment beside South Green Lodge, kindly offered to us by the current Chaplain, Revd David Neaum. Our Green Officer, Katie Daehn, led an enthusiastic team to renovate and extend the space, which has already provided vegetables for us this year! Continuing in the produce vein, Katie also worked with our Social Secretaries to organise pumpkin carving for Halloween, which provided excellent decorations for our spooky themed formal. Another great initiative in Michaelmas was a quiz in the bar for the Cambridge Refugee Scholarship, which along with a donation from College raised £560. Finally, our diligent Catz students also had highest participation in the ‘Student Switch Off’ climate quiz, winning the coveted prize of 100 tubs of Ben and Jerry’s ice-cream, duly demolished in a team effort by the JCR and MCR.

Formal hall dinners remain the key to bringing together the MCR each week, alongside pre – and post-prandial entertainment. Organisation of formals and bops was due to our excellent team comprising Formal Hall Officer (Terry Wu), Food and Drink Officer (Michael Rivera) and the Social Secretaries (Frances St George Hislop and Marcus Fantham). Terry was responsible for many formal hall swaps with other colleges throughout the year, giving our formals an extra-social atmosphere. As
Cambridge turned colder we hosted a popular Christmas formal, with the University brass band playing outside the Bar, with hot mulled wine to warm up spectators. To kick off the New Year, our Food & Drink Officer Michael organised a second wine & cheese night, showing off the Cambridge Cheese company’s impressive range once again. A highlight of every year is the Catz Burns night formal, complete with traditional haggis, toasts to the lads and the lasses, poetry readings and a very enthusiastic post-dinner ceilidh in the McGrath Centre. Shortly after Burn’s Night we held a Valentine’s dinner and bop, a St Patrick’s day bop in March, and, unsurprisingly, yet another wine & cheese night (!), for an ever-appreciative MCR and guests in April.

It wasn’t all gourmet delights and dancing however, as we hosted our second Graduate Research Symposium, entitled Hope for the Future in February. Keynote speakers were alumni Roger Harrabin (1973) and Nick Higham (1972), both BBC veterans, and fellows John Thompson and Jenni Sidey. The Symposium otherwise showcased graduate research at Catz, with the prizes going to Christopher Parkins (on drug delivery methodology) and Anni Henriksen (on Cleopatra in Chaucer). Throughout the year our Education Officer, Sarah Paris, continued to host graduate mini-seminars in the MCR, allowing students to discuss their work in an informal setting with their peers. Although Cambridge provides a unique mix of educational and social opportunities for graduate students, it can also prove to be a stressful environment. Our Education Officer and Welfare Officer, Charlotte Kenealy, provided a key point of contact and support during the year, with regular drop-in sessions and an open-door policy. We were also proud to collaborate with CUSU and MedSoc to host a Welfare LGBT+ event in the McGrath Centre, and there was an Open Day to welcome prospective Catz graduate students, during which graduate tutors and students answered queries and took visitors on a tour around the College before further discussion over lunch. We look forward to meeting several of these visitors in the months to come.

To round off an intense academic year, many Catz graduates enjoyed the College Garden Party, an excellent afternoon of entertainment, featuring a caricature artist and chocolate fountain among its highlights. Thankfully, the sun was out across Main Court, with temperatures reaching a surprising 30 degrees. The final event of our academic year was the Midsummer Formal, with rather less clement weather for our traditional MCR photo in the quad, but spirits were nevertheless kept high by performances from Catzappella and funk group Shake Your Tail Feather.

We would like to extend our thanks to all the College staff and the Fellowship for their support of the MCR this year, particularly Rosie Bell, Simon Summers, Dr John Xuereb, Dr Peter Wothers and Dr Jess Gwynne. Additionally, we are grateful as ever for the help of Ella Purkiss, Robert Jonas, Martin Cullum, Craig Driver, Lynne Bushell and the rest of the Conference and Catering staff in ensuring our events run smoothly. Finally, we would like to thank the rest of our Committee: Danilo Cardim (Secretary), Geoffroy Dolphin (Treasurer), Charlotte Kenealy (Welfare), Sarah Paris (Education), Alejandro Jimenez-Sanchez & Souradip Mookerjee (Computing), Katie Daehn (Green), Frances St George-Hyslop & Marcus Fantham (Social Secretaries), Michael Rivera (Food & Drink), Terry Wu (Formal Hall) and Aila Bicer (External), for their commitment in delivering a great year for the MCR.

Annabel Taylor and Sophie McManus (MCR Co-Presidents)
SOCIETIES

Card and Board Games Society
The Card and Board Games Society has continued to offer alternative social events, fostering light-hearted competition as well as co-operative spirit. This year, in particular, has seen the successful introduction of the games owned by the society to the College bar, from which College members have been able to rent them out to play with their friends. Inter-collegiate connections with other similar societies have been strengthened with the organisation of joint games nights with the societies of Christ’s and Churchill.

President: Capucine Brunet

Careers Society
This year Catz Careers Society was very excited to host a speaker and networking event with PA Consulting, organized with Elanor (Eli) Bond (2013). Eli, along with Adam Freeman-Pask – Olympic team rower – and Martin Knoeble – Mclaren data scientist – shared experience from the commercial sector and world of high-performance sport, from the business design of corporate companies to the technology and innovation for Ben Ainslie Racing team, and led a case study interview workshop which proved helpful to the many students who have aspirations to work in consulting. Catz Careers Society has also supported the creation of the Cambridge-wide startup society founded by Luke Harries and Natasha Butt. It has been truly successful at providing resources and events with startup founders, accelerator managers and venture capitalists to inspire and guide the Cambridge student population to create their own startups. Most notably, in March, the annual ’Catz Careers Dinner’ took place with a total 25 alumni and 50 students. This year we had the goal of inviting more women and a greater representation of sectors and we think we succeeded in achieving this given the positive response we have received. The presence of Keith Cocker (1977) and David Peace (1966) was greatly appreciated and David reinforced the wealth of experience appropriate, Catz FemSoc. The committee wanted to change from Catz Gender Equality Discussion Group to the catchier, and we felt much more discussion groups, ‘Share’, around different topics such as success and justice, as well as open opportunities for people to ask their questions and open Bible studies. We also had a garden party in May Week, with games and a short talk on being children of God.

President: Capucine Brunet

Christian Union
Catz Christian Union is a group of students who believe that everyone should have the chance to hear about Jesus Christ and how he displayed God’s love for us when he came to Earth. In the last year we have held several discussion groups, ‘Share’, around different topics such as success and justice, as well as open opportunities for people to ask their questions and open Bible studies. We also had a garden party in May Week, with games and a short talk on being children of God.

President: Will Simmons

Engineering Society
The Engineering Society has had a busy year beginning with hosting three speaker events in Michaelmas. First, the Master, Professor Sir Mark Welland, gave a lecture on Nanotechnology; the smaller it gets the bigger the impact in November with many members of the society and engineering supervisors present. Second, the society hosted Professor Haro Bedelian (1961, Honorary Fellow) presenting his involvement as a lead executive engineer in the construction of the Channel Tunnel. Our final speaker event in Michaelmas saw the society host Greg Nunn from Marshall Aerospace Defence Group present Marshall ADG – Cambridge’s Best Kept Secret. His talk covered his personal route into engineering through his PhD research and onto the work he is currently involved in as Sales Executive for the Advanced Composites business unit.

In Lent, the Engineering Society celebrated its annual dinner in Hall with over 40 guests and each fellow making traditional speeches. The society also hosted an Evening with the Supervisors, giving our PhD supervisors (Katie Daehn, Marcus Fantham and Chris Eddy) the opportunity to present their research to an audience made up of students and fellows. The year ended with the annual May Week BBQ.

President: Haneish Patel

FemSoc
The start of Michaelmas term heralded a name change for the society, changing from Catz Gender Equality Discussion Group to the catchier, and we felt much more appropriate, Catz FemSoc. The committee wanted to continue to be as inclusive as ever, and our meetings have always been open to all and promised plentiful snacks alongside lively discussion. This was definitely achieved this year! With a focus on intersectionality (a way of thinking about how social identities and oppression interconnect and overlap) we have organised a selection of events this year, starting with a particularly insightful discussion on Allyship, which allowed for some dynamic discussion about the topic. This evening was followed by a discussion on Classism, always a fascinating and very important conversation to have in Cambridge. Finally, we held a collaboration with fellow St Catharine’s society Student Minds where the intersections between mental health and gender were explored. In Michaelmas, FemSoc also welcomed SOAS student and blogger Suhaiymah
Manzoor-Khan to speak on Decolonising Feminism. We had a great turnout (with many attendees coming from other colleges too) and her talk led to a thought-provoking discussion on issues of race and feminism. Finally, International Women’s Day was celebrated with an EqualiTea event which was very well attended and was an excellent way to mark the day. The society has had a great 2016–7, and we hope that it will continue to flourish in the coming year with some more patriarchy smashing!

The Committee: Rachel Balmer, Verrin Kaur, Esther Raffell, Ygraine Siemens

John Ray Society
The scientists of St Catharine’s enjoyed another enriching year with the John Ray Society. We kicked off the year once again with a book sale which not only facilitated the passing of textbooks down the years but also gave the freshers a chance to meet the older students and receive advice from them. Our first speaker of the year was our new Master, Professor Sir Mark Welland, who gave a talk under the title From atoms to human disease; nanotechnology at work. This was a great opportunity for the students to meet the new Master and to gain a more technical insight into his research.

In November, we hosted Professor Paul Cannon who led the Royal Academy of Engineering Study on Extreme Space Weather: impacts on engineered systems and infrastructure. His talk to the society regarding the threat of solar superstorms was as frightening as it was fascinating. Following this, Dr Jonathan Gair (1995, Fellow 2004–15) came to present his research to us. Dr Gair is an author on the groundbreaking paper published in February 2016 that detailed the first detection of gravitational waves. Our final talk, intriguingly entitled Sexing up human pheromones: how a corporation created a myth was given by Dr Tristram Wyatt.

As always, the society strives to encourage inter-year relations with the running of successful Part IB, Part II and internship evenings. The presidents for the 2017–8 academic year, Haleh Taghinejad, Alessandro Zanre and Michael Ballentine were announced at the ever-enjoyable annual dinner. They hosted a superb garden party for all JRS members in May Week. We wish them all the best in their presidency.

Presidents: Phoebe Wilsmore, Hannah-Rose Williams, Zoe Fitton

Music Society
2016–7 proved to be an eventful year for the College Music Society, involving successful continuations of the ever-popular Christmas and Summer concerts as well as the emergence of several new events and ensembles. The establishment and growth of the College Jazz Band was a testament to the enthusiasm and creativity of our students, particularly first years who played a central role. An inaugural College Musician of the Year competition was held in Lent, and was won by pianist Ben Yelverton amongst a uniformly strong field of auditionees. The Music Society underwent a level of rebranding this year, including the creation of a new logo.

College musicians of all levels now have the opportunity to perform at our Musical Luncheons events; informal gatherings in the SCR, which have seen talent emerge from unexpected quarters both amongst the students and the Fellowship. College musicians of all levels now have the opportunity to perform at our Musical Luncheons events; informal gatherings in the SCR, which have seen talent emerge from unexpected quarters both amongst the students and the Fellowship.

The outdoor May Week concert marked a small revolution in presentation this year, with musicians for the first time having the benefit of subtle amplification. Vocal groups and smaller instrumental ensembles are now able to contribute to this hugely popular event, which concluded in now traditional style with a rumbustious rendition of Land of Hope and Glory.

President: Michael Clesham
Politics Society
This year we started an official political discussion society for St Catharine’s, as we felt that, in such an uncertain and transitional time, the College needed to engage more in the issues of the day. The society’s overarching aim is to provide a platform for free speech, to create an environment in which political discourse can flourish, and to foster a diverse understanding of contemporary and historical political theory and practice within the Cambridge community. In pursuit of this, the society aims to promote an unbiased understanding of global and national politics and to provide students with a forum for political discussion.

Our first event was a reflection on the resurgence of ‘populism’ in the 21st century, exploring its precedents and consequences in light of the EU referendum and American presidential elections. We hosted world renowned speakers from across the University: John Dunn, emeritus Professor of Political Theory, Helen Thompson, Professor in Political Economy, and David Runciman, head of Politics and International Relations at Cambridge, each of whom revealed thought-provoking perspectives on the phenomenon.

We have set up a Catz Politics Facebook page and YouTube channel, both of which could be picked up by future society members, and have established conversations with other speakers which we shall further pursue next year. We have a number of ideas for events which should expand our audience to the wider University, as indicated by catchy titles like *Truman to Trump: 75 years of US foreign policy*.

**Presidents: Theo Fox and Callum Smith**

Shirley Society
The Shirley Society is the oldest literary society in Cambridge, named after the Renaissance dramatist James Shirley, who studied at St Catharine’s in the early 17th century. We host weekly meetings where members bring extracts that relate to a particular theme; this year, some of our themes were *Interruptions, Plausible Deniability*, and *Comfort Reading*. These extracts can be anything from poetry to prose to hybrid media, and our members regularly bring their own work. In January, we also hosted the annual Shirley Formal, which was attended by 15 of our members. At this formal, we announced the theme of this year’s *Volta*, the College literary magazine, which was *Passwords*, to which members of the society can submit their own work. This year, we are working on a website to host the works that were submitted for *Volta* that can be updated throughout future years with original work members bring to meetings, as an archive of our members’ creativity.

**Presidents: Sriya Varadharajan and Rhiannon White**

Smoothie Society
St Catharine’s College Smoothie Society continues to provide free and healthy smoothies for all members of the College every Sunday in the JCR! With over 200 people subscribed to our Facebook page, we see students from all different years regularly attending. Many society members come to enjoy a healthy snack after playing a sport, or as a break from work with friends. We have found that especially in Easter Term, coming to Smoothie Society provided the perfect excuse for an afternoon revision break, and including ice cream and milkshakes alongside the usual smoothies during the summer months came as a well-deserved treat! We look forward to seeing the next presidents maintain this inclusive and light-hearted society that is probably unique amongst the Cambridge colleges.

**Presidents: Haleh Tajhinejadi and Harry Rendell**

Steers Society
The Steers Society has benefitted from another cohort of enthusiastic and sociable geographers, who were welcomed to the Steers family at the annual pub-crawl. This was an excellent opportunity for them to get to know the older years and to show off their fancy-dress skills (this time the theme was *the four elements*). One of the key aims of the Steers Society is to foster friendly relations between year groups in order to facilitate a greater learning experience for undergraduates, whether it be through recommending certain papers to read, essay help or advice on which papers to take.

The dissertation evening, held towards the end of Michaelmas, is particularly helpful for first and second years in this regard, and is also an excellent opportunity for third years to reflect on their research and receive (constructive) feedback from their peers. This year dissertation topics included *Academies and Free Schools in England*, *Glacier modelling on Glacier D’Arolla, Switzerland*, and *the Construction of Gendered Space in the Church of England*.

In March, we welcomed back Dr Louise Drake (2000) to St Catharine’s for the annual dinner, held in the OCR. Louise, currently Senior Programme Manager for the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership, gave an interesting but also incredibly helpful post-dinner talk about pursuing a career in something geography-related, and by virtue of this, something in which one continues to be intellectually stimulated and fully engaged. This was particularly helpful for those of us still undecided as to what we want to do at the end of our degree! At the end of the dinner we passed on the reins of the society to Beth Barker and Izzy Shears, two highly capable and friendly individuals in whose hands the Steers Society will continue to flourish – they are currently preparing for the end of year garden party.

**President: Charlie Briggs**
Association Football (men)
The men’s football club has always been a pillar of Catz sport and both the firsts and seconds have enjoyed yet another solid season. The first team struggled to find consistency, mixing a lot of frustrating draws with agonising defeats in our campaign in the second division. It was never an easy task to replace so many key players who graduated after last year, but fortunately we have managed to gain much fresh talent into the squad. Dominic O’Tuminu quickly established himself as our front man leading the line, chipping in seven goals overall to become our joint top scorer, forming a dangerous front three with Gareth Goh, and Players’ Player of the Year, Freddy Wilkinson. In the centre of the park, Percy Preston injected a lot of class and dictated play alongside the ever-present Jonny Crease. Charlie Briggs, Michael Lane and Sam Woods all put in good performances at the back, especially in tricky away games at Girton and Worcester College, Oxford. The experience of Fin Allen, Jonny Hart and Dan Thacker also helped stabilise the team tremendously as we struggled with injuries towards the latter end of the season. Despite facing so many challenges, the firsts managed to come sixth in division 2, with notable wins over Queens and Trinity Hall. The highlight of the season, however, was definitely our Cuppers fixture away at Trinity Hall. After a shocking start to the game, we managed to concede three soft goals to be 3–0 down after the first 20 minutes. A collective team performance saw us turn the tide completely in the second half, scoring five unanswered goals to steamroll the home team in a convincing and hugely deserved 5–3 victory. It was truly a team victory that will live long in the memories of everyone who played that day, with Ben Bolderson running the show and a glorious hat-trick from Jonny Crease. It was a pity that in the next round, we conceded a late goal in the last minute of extra time away at Girton, who were top of division 1 at the time. It was a frustrating, but ultimately positive season for the men’s first team and with the leadership of Henry Hall next year and so many returning players, I firmly believe that the firsts will kick-on and challenge for promotion in the League next year.

The seconds enjoyed a phenomenal season, securing promotion to division 4 in scintillating style after topping division 5. Captain Eoghan McGuigan was inspirational in his performances at centre mid as well as his team talks; he was aided the excellent Fabien Sutton, Matthew Rowe, Maisam Merali and Lawrence Hopkins. The team, unlike the years before, managed to have a huge turnout consistently every week and the collective effort and participation from everyone has truly been exceptional. The club has also enjoyed a great year socially, with over 60 people signing up to the football club at the fresher’s fair and huge turnouts to termly socials held by Shreyas Gopal. We have also begun an exciting partnership with Ashurst, who kindly supported us in getting a brand new match and training kit for both teams.

It has been an absolute honour for myself and Eoghan to lead this great club this year and we are proud to pass the baton on to the brilliant Henry Hall, Josh Dawson and Will Wright, who will all undoubtedly take SCCAFC to new heights next year.

Captain: Alex Ho
Athletics
The athletics year began, as ever, with October's Winter Cuppers match – an opportunity for returning athletes to assess their post-summer break fitness and for new talent to be uncovered. Catz put in strong performances in both the men's and women's competitions to finish 4th in the men's and 2nd only to Newnham in the women's. Especially notable performances came from freshers Chloe Billingham and Hannah Morton, who won the Pole Vault and 1500m respectively and Tom Simpson and Will Parrott with victories in the 3000m and Javelin.

Chloe, Hannah and Will went on to secure wins in their events at the freshers' Varsity match, however it was not enough to give Cambridge the win over an extremely strong Oxford team. It was a similar story at the Indoor Varsity Field Events and Relays match in March where even a match record-breaking win from the women's pole vault team featuring Catz vaulters Chloe Billingham and Rebecca Martin couldn't compete with the strength and depth of our dark blue rivals.

As the outdoor season began, Phil Crout narrowly missed out on a podium finish with 4th place in the 5000m at the BUCS national championship. Summer Cuppers saw fresher Lawrence Hopkins make his debut in the 3000m steeplechase after showing some impressive improvement in the 800m this season.

The Summer Varsity match saw yet another win for Chloe, who narrowly missed out on the Varsity record. Anni Bates secured victory in the women's High Jump and CUAC veteran Priya Crosby's three-year winning streak in the 2000m steeplechase was finally ended by a match record-breaking run from Oxford. A special mention goes to Arnav Kapur who stepped up to complete the men's second team for Pole Vault and secured a respectable 2.30m after a single training session as well as finishing 3rd in the open 3000m.

Overall, Catz have had an impressive year of athletics with our success being due both to outstanding individual performances and the general keenness that Catz has become known for. Thanks and congratulations to everyone who has competed this year!

Captain: Rebecca Martin

Badminton
The badminton club on the whole has had a successful and exciting year. We have enjoyed a large uptake in the sport this year with over 40 students attending the first session of the season! Following consecutive relegations last year, the men's first team had a point to prove coming into Michaelmas 2016. As quoted by the captain, Hanesh Patel, during the Badminton Annual Dinner, the first team have managed to 'steady a sinking ship' by solidifying their position in division 3, narrowly missing out on promotion in both Michaelmas and Lent with numerous closely fought matches. Alex Clarke and Chow Jrui who formed a formidable partnership that consistently performed throughout the season deserve special mention.

The men's second team captained by Will Ager had further success with promotion to division 4 in Michaelmas, giving rise to suspicions that both Catz teams could be competing in the same division by the end of the year. Unfortunately they narrowly missed out on promotion in Lent so end the year just a division below the first team. A further thanks to Will who has taken control of the online court booking system.

The men's third team captained by Callum Watson sustained its position in division 6.

The women enjoyed a season of mixed fortunes. Following relegation in Michaelmas, the team captained by Katherine Newton managed to re-establish their position in division 2 with promotion in Lent.

The highlight of the season was the success of the men's first Cuppers team. With the introduction of numerous Blues players to the squad, Catz 1 made it to the final of men's Cuppers against a competitive Jesus side. With our first pair dominating Jesus and our second pair just falling short, it all came down to the third pairing to decide the match. Match point up in the first game, but struggling to see the game out, the first game was lost 24–22. Having built a comfortable lead going into the second match, we were to be undone by a second half collapse following a broken string and a surge in Jesus support to bring them over the line. Despite broken strings and even a torn ACL for Chow Jrui against Queens’ in the quarter finals, the boys showed a very valiant effort to bring Catz the closest it has been to the trophy cabinet in recent years! A special mention to our first pairing of Nejc Ceplak and Tom Wade who didn't lose a single match throughout our entire Cuppers campaign.

Captain: Hanesh Patel

Basketball
The College Basketball Club had a slightly better season than the last one. The team was still struggling with numbers, but we always had just enough players for the College League games, not like some of our opponents who had to forfeit because of not having five people.

After eight games, the team came third in division 5 of the League, so unfortunately, we could not qualify for Cuppers. As the captain, I was proud to see that our players showed a heroic performance by giving all they had, despite the fact that no one could sub in for them from the bench. Nobody leaves from the team this year so we are looking forward to the next season and we are also keen to meet the fresher ballers who could supplement the team.

Captain: Andras Volford

Boat Club
Summarising an entire year’s worth of training, races, results and emotion, while doing justice to the work and commitment of the entire club is not an easy task. The
obvious first stop for gauging the state of the club would be to look at the results from the past year. And the club has indeed seen some great results!

It all started in October, with a large intake of talented novices, especially the women’s side of the club, who had four novice boats in Fairbairns. The results were telling as well, with NW1 getting the fourth fastest time of any women novice crew. These achievements were possible thanks to the committed effort of our LBCs, who did a fantastic job at getting people keen, and training them to high standards of speed and technique. Both W1 and M1 welcomed a new head coach, Sam Bray, who put a lot of effort into building the two squads towards new heights and indeed, M1 placed seventh of all Cambridge Colleges. By Christmas, everyone was of course ready for a well-deserved break from studying, but not from training, and many of our athletes kept up the hard work. Word has it that every slice of pudding was put to good use on the erg.

In January, both squads attended a training camp in Cambridge where selections for the Lent crews were made. The women saw the return of two CUWBC trialists, Anna Faulkner and Amy Chodorowski. Training was back to being fast and furious, and Lent Bumps was already around the (grassy) corner. The women achieved fantastic results, with W1 going up three in the first division, and so did W2 in the third division, narrowly missing out on blades. The results of the men were unfortunately not as good. This was not due to a lack of training, but when other college’s blading crews are on the warpath, the battles tend to be hard.

At the time of the Easter break, the whole club trained hard throughout, knowing that places for the top boats would be difficult to get with many talented athletes fighting for them. M1 saw some changes on the coaching front, with Sam Bray focusing on W1 and the men having a new coach in the person of Piers Kasas. Selections were tough, and training even more so, but with great prospects for the Mays, everyone gave it everything. And it paid off! Not only did the club field a large number of boats for May bumps (four women’s boats and four men’s boats), but W3 obtained super-blades and W2 went up three (narrowly missing out on blades again). M3 almost went up three as well, but an unfortunate crash on the last day led to a technical over-bump. M2 went up three, narrowly missing out on blades again. M4 had a balanced 47 not out, meaning M1 could not perform to its standards and ended four places down.

Results are what they are. Some are positive, and some disappointing. But we also know that the club means more than its results. The people that constitute it, the friendship it nurtures, and the limits it forces its athletes to overcome are each reasons why SCCBC is such a great club to be a part of. I am particularly pleased to have seen a true bonding between all its members, and the generation of a SCCBC spirit that has created a welcoming and inclusive environment.

Finally, I would like to thank the outgoing committee for the fantastic work they have done this year. And of course our generous Alumni, in particular Argus Fire in the person of Herb Bate (1963), whose support allows us to row at Catz in the best possible conditions. SCCBC, it has been an honour and a pleasure. For the Wheel!

Captain: Basile Wicky

Cricket

2017 has been a mixed season for SCCCC. Although a strong Cuppers team took us to the quarter final, we have struggled with our friendly games, losing all of them. The fresher intake provided some excellent players with Jha’s batting proving useful as well as Penfold’s bowling. The season started with a disappointing loss in a friendly against Pembroke. Although we had far from our strongest team, we stuttered to 79 from our 20 overs chasing 155, although there were some encouraging signs from Jha who batted well for 17 and two wickets taken by third-year debutant Lyons. The next warm-up for the Cuppers campaign was a friendly 35-over game against the Strollers CC, this was an excellent performance from all parties with highlights being captain Woods taking four wickets and King scoring a quick-fire 52; however the Strollers class with the bat shone through and we fell short in our run chase.

The first match of the Cuppers campaign came against Magdalen where the opposition seemed like underdogs when they were more concerned about whether their cans of lager were cold than who was batting first. Nevertheless, having lost the toss Catz were put into bat. This proved to be a masterclass in batting firepower with Blue’s vice-captain Chohan scoring 94 off 46 balls before being caught on the boundary chasing his 100, Jha also impressed with a balanced 47 not out, meaning Catz cruised to 207–4 off their 20 overs. Magdalen were then dismissed for 80 with imperious Catz bowling, thus producing a 117 run victory. This, and a concession from Selwyn, meant that Catz progressed to the quarter-finals with the second highest net run rate in the competition. In principle, this should have provided us with an easier draw, however we came up against a strong Robinson team with several Blues and Crusaders. In the rain we batted first and made 159, with a strong 63 from Entwisle; however by that point the ground was too wet for them to bat, so the match was rescheduled to after the main body of exams. The rescheduled Cuppers match was preceded by another friendly against Simmons and Simmons CC in which a depleted team was again comfortably beaten. Finally it
was time for the Cuppers showdown. Catz batted first with several players worse for wear having recently finished exams, and were well restricted by a Blues bowling attack to 98 thanks to a rearguard action putting on 30 for the fifth wicket and a fine 28 from Entwisle. With this sub-par total on the board it was always going to require a special bowling performance to win, and this was nearly the case with Lello bowling his best spell of the year to take four wickets including bowling a Blue’s player around his legs. However, despite getting a couple more wickets we were unable to dismiss all of the opposition’s Blues meaning they limped home to a four-wicket victory.

The afternoon after the Cuppers defeat Catz took on the Law Society CC, Catz again batted first, and Entwisle showed his class again with 68 supported by a solid 32 from Gopal leading Catz to 135 from 35 overs. Unfortunately with it being such a hot day the bowlers were tired from their earlier exertions and the opposition chased down the total without too much trouble.

The Catz team went into Acheson Gray day looking to avenge the loss from last year, but failed again on what was, however, an entertaining day.

Overall the season was enjoyed by all, and I’d like to extend my thanks to everyone who contributed either by playing or supporting SCCCC and I wish the next captain all the best.

Captain: Sam Woods

Croquet
This year was another resounding success for the College Croquet Club. Croquet continues to be the exam term recreational activity of choice for many Catz students. The club entered a record 19 teams into Cuppers, with around 80 students swinging for the Wheel. Nearly half the teams in the entire competition were from St Catharine’s. Standard of play was mixed, with many complete beginners taking part, but Catz pulled off several great results against colleges with actual croquet lawns! My own team, Catz XIX, was the club’s best-performing team, reaching the quarterfinals of the competition.

Captain: Shariq Varawalla

Cross Country
This year’s running has really taken off. The club has enjoyed a great intake of freshers and has had a year of both large social and steady runs, as well as athletes at the top end representing the University. The year began with co-captains Laura Paterson and Arnav Kapur trying to re-invigorate the club after a disastrous previous captain, the self-same Arnav Kapur, had let it slide.

Thanks to a renewed budget from College, and more spirit, a weekly ‘Cake and Tea run’, with a regular attendance of at least seven runners, journeyed to the ends of Granchester Meadows before returning for well-earned cakes. SCCCCC established a new link with the Cambridge University branch of the CoppaFeel! breast cancer awareness charity, who provided homemade cakes for the runs.

On the more serious side of running, Cuppers indicated the impact of the freshers as Hannah Morton ran very well to come eighth and Phil Crout put in a fantastic performance to win the men’s race, with Arnav Kapur, Tom Simpson, Tim Calliafas and Matthew Harris placing well. Tom and Arnav had made life slightly more complicated by choosing to cycle to St Neots, 40km away, where the race took place. Managing to get lost, they arrived with only fifteen seconds before the race began, so it was a quick transition! Overall, Catz came second in the men’s and seventh in the women’s side entirely thanks to Hannah.

Approaching Varsity, we had two members in the Blues teams with Hannah Morton, as a fresher, and Phil Crout, in his third cross-country Varsity and Arnav Kapur in the Men’s II team. Later on, in BUCS, Phil and Hannah both ran for the top Cambridge teams with Hannah running particularly well to be the second Cambridge finisher while participating in her first race in a Cambridge vest.

It has been a great year of running and we have Laura to thank for putting in so much time to get food and encourage running. We are both very excited to pass onto Charlotte who will do a fantastic job and build on the success!

Captain: Arnav Kapur

Cycling
Catz Velo Club’s year of competition got off to a strong start with three Catz riders racing in the Rutland MTB Winter Series. As soon as the road season kicked off in early Spring, Toby Cowell and Tom Simpson headed down to Hog Hill in North London for some crit racing; an hour of fast-paced laps around a technical circuit. Toby had an unbelievable run of bad luck with punctures and near-crashes, but Tom placed seventh, eighth and finally first, upgrading his race licence from fourth to third category in the process! Shortly after, Toby braved some awful fenland
weather to set a 1:03:38 time over 25 miles. By March he'd taken over two minutes off this, with a 1:01:18 in the Lea Valley 25.

In February Catz took Varsity XC MTB by storm, fielding six of the total seventeen Cambridge riders including MTB specialist Tom Wade and keen newbie Charlotte Mackey. Charlotte finished a strong fourth in the women's race while MTB Secretary Tom Simpson led home the Cambridge men to place second and secure victory over Oxford, with the crucial Cambridge top three also including Catz's very own Varsity veteran Fin Allen finishing seconds away from third in the overall. Toby and Arnav Kapur were both quick despite having raced at Hog Hill the previous day, where Toby's luck had returned to finish in fifth place.

It wasn't long before the Catz team was back together for Cuppers ten-mile time trial in March. Sasha Bailey was a close fifth in the women, Alex Coplan and Arnav both put in strong rides, Tom and Toby were top ten and Noel Moka second in the 'town bike' category on his fixie; Catz was second to Jesus this year, but if CVC can achieve a placing like that within a year, then the future for cycling at Catz is bright!

Captain: Tom Simpson

Golf

Although there is no inter-collegiate competition at golf, the game is played at a high level by the Blues team. For its members, Cambridge golf is a truly unique experience, allowing students the opportunity to travel the East and South East playing and lunching at the very best golf courses in the country free of charge; from Brancaster to Sunningdale, through to Royal St George's, not to mention Cambridge's home course, Royal Worlington. The pinnacle of the season is the Varsity Match against Oxford, which is played at some wonderful courses; recently it has been held at Muirfield, Ganton and Hoylake. Every five years it returns to Rye, the home of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society. All in all, playing golf for the University is an amazing experience and has shaped my life.

Captain: Joe Horrocks-Taylor

Hockey (Men)

The Hockey tour at Bath constituted a strong pre-season preparation. Another jug had been won (even in the absence of Pete Sweeney) and intra-team bonding led by Charlotte Frost was at an all time high.

Augmented by a strong fresher intake spearheaded by Messrs Watts, Parry, Bird and English, the conquistadors of SCCHC prepared to demolish all-comers in a new season of college hockey. Michaelmas was a stellar term, against a strong Pembroke outfit; a game which would be a shoot-out for both the League title and the first Supercuppers trip for SCCHC in five years. A nervy first half saw the teams go into the break 1–1. However the second half saw a resurgent Catz take the lead with a Sam Cole drag flick off a short corner. The lead was maintained with some stellar defending from Matt Diesel, the old man of the team, who managed to roll back the years to make a couple of crucial interventions. The game was put to bed when George Burrows guided a deflection into the bottom corner of the Pembroke goal in the closing minutes, securing a place at the Supercuppers game to be played immediately before the Blues Varsity.

Undoubtedly the highlight of Lent was the Supercuppers game, interestingly against our Oxford sister college, Worcester. A tightly fought game finished 3–3 after 70 minutes, taking the game into penalty flicks to decide the winner. Some stellar goalkeeping from Robbie Zhao and a couple of powerful flicks from Sam Cole and William Entwisle saw Matt Diesel step up to take the deciding flick, which he decisively slotted into the top right corner. Scenes!

This has also been a strong season for the Gentlemen's XI led by Charlie Briggs. Some stellar outings in Michaelmas saw the Gents vying for promotion to the first division come the final game against Selwyn. Unfortunately, however, a tight game just slipped away in the last quarter and with it the chances of promotion.

For both the Firsts and Seconds this has been a strong season, and I wish the incoming Men's captain Alex Bird and Gent's captain Solomon English the best of luck in the coming season.

Captain: Joe Horrocks-Taylor

Hockey (Women)

The Catz women's hockey team have had another successful season. Catz continue to be strongly represented at the University level with five Blues awarded (Sophia Padt, Molly Buxton, Cat Cox, Rhiannon Osborne and Georgie Burrows) and three women gaining University colours (Alicia Murphy, Harriet Potter and Beth Barker). But Catz women also take College hockey equally seriously. I have really enjoyed captaining this year mainly due to the enthusiasm and dedication from the team. There was a strong fresher injection this year, with a particularly impressive performance from Georgie Jones with her strong attacking style and goal scoring ability. Georgie is planning to trial next year for University hockey.

This year the team found their nemesis in the Trinity and Fitzwilliam combined team. We came up against them twice in the League, both times were hard fought matches ending in draws. The League ended with Catz drawing
with the Trinity-Fitz team for the top spot by matches won. However, they pipped us on goal difference which was frustrating. In Catz’s defence the combined number of undergraduate students at Trinity and Fitz is 1050, almost three times the size of St Catharine’s. Thus, there were occasions where we struggled for numbers, particularly during the notorious week five. Overall, an excellent result and performance from the team.

The team embarked on the Cuppers campaign, with determination to reach the final. Catz has been punching above its weight in Hockey Cuppers for years and I hoped I would captain the team to another Cuppers Victory. The team stormed through the first few rounds with the support of our talented Blues and committed League team. Then came the semi-final against Jesus. There were a few nerves but I did not need to worry as the team put on their best performance yet with some lovely passes between Alicia Murphy (a talented University second team fresher) and Georgie Burrows (Blue). The final as usual was set in the middle of exam term and I was worried the team would be distracted by academic commitments. However, the team rose to the occasion, once again facing our biggest rival, Trinity-Fitz. We were determined to show we were the better team and I think we very much proved ourselves. It was a tense start with both teams clearly desperate to win (the other colleges would love to kick Catz women off the top spot). Just before half time Georgie Burrows snuck a goal past their keeper, 1–0 to Catz. Then Sophia Padt (two hockey Blues under her belt) decided to put Trinity-Fitz out of the game firing three goals in, 4–0. The game was finished by Molly Buxton who had held the team together at the back and decided to score a cracking goal off a short corner. It was a fantastic victory, once again proving Catz is the best hockey college.

Sophia Padt was awarded Woman of the Match for her stellar performance. However, this was not a tale of star play by a few players, the whole team pulled together and played the best we have all year. Every single player on the pitch gave it their all and I was very proud of each and every one of them. It was a pleasure to see committed College players such as Immy Collins find their confidence and put in some brilliant trickles. It has been a fantastic season and I am pleased to announce next year’s Women’s Hockey Captain will be Lucy Purnell who I am sure will lead the team to another excellent season next year.

**Captain: Beth Barker**

**Hockey (mixed)**

College mixed hockey teams only take part in the Cuppers competition and not in a League. Nevertheless, the Catz team has been very successful! In the first round of Cuppers our opposition forfeited, no doubt due to the fear factor of our first class line-up. We finally had the opportunity to demonstrate our hockey prowess in the quarter finals, winning very comfortably in an awesome 12–0 match against Downing. The semi-finals, however, were far more challenging against a strong Jesus team; although we linked up well, we struggled to finish. Immense effort and perseverance until the final minute meant we won the highly fought match 2–1. On the big finals day, our opposition was the joint college team of Trinity-Fitzwilliam. Whilst these two large colleges put out a very competitive side with many University players, they were still no match for the mighty Catz which fielded a team containing seven Blues, a college with a hockey legacy and a well known reputation for flair hockey! Kieran Gilmore scored two goals from two brilliant and well placed flicks putting us 2–1 up. Sam Cole ended the match

*The Cuppers-winning mixed hockey team.*
in true style scoring a spectacular reverse stick goal in the corner in the final five minutes and Catz was once again victorious in a 3–1 win! It has been an honour to captain such a hard-working and impressive team – thank you for the commitment and effort of the class of 2016–7: Matt Diesel, Joe Horrocks-Taylor, Molly Buxton, Harriet Potter, Catriona Cox and Sam Cole.

Captain: Sophia Padt

Lacrosse (mixed)
2016–7 marked another successful year for Catz Mixed Lacrosse. The season began with an influx of new players, attracted by the fun and laidback nature of College lacrosse. Despite a relative lack of experience, the team soon got up to speed and fought it out in a strong second division. In the new year, Catz’s own Ella Benson was chosen to represent the Blues in Varsity, putting in a strong performance, helping Cambridge triumph over the other place.

The highlight of the season, Cuppers, saw Catz play some of their finest lacrosse of the year, thriving in a tough group which also contained both of the teams in the final. Catz played mightily and deserved to progress into the quarter finals but narrowly missed out. It was an enjoyable and successful season for Catz Mixed Lacrosse – and we’re already looking forward to more of the same next year!

Captain: James Stevens

Netball (women)
This has been a year of two halves for St Catharine’s Ladies’ Netball Club. Michaelmas saw the arrival of many new players so, for the first time in a number of years, we decided to have two netball teams. Both the first and second team had a number of really strong performances, with the second team winning all but one of their matches in division 4. The first team also had some impressive displays, coming from behind to win against both Newnham and Christ’s. Despite the challenging opposition faced in division 1, the first team retained their position in the top League.

Lent proved far more difficult and, with a significant drop in numbers, we could only field one team. Throughout the term, it proved a challenge to field a full team for matches and we had to concede a number of our League games. Our end to the season was more positive. Despite going out in the group stages of the Ladies’ Netball Cuppers, all players showed excellent performances to win matches against Downing and Peterhouse. I would also like to recognise the individual achievement of Kate Hammond, who played for the University third team this year. Best of luck to our incoming captain, Jess Forsdyke, for a successful new season!

Captain: Megan Cheyne

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Despite this, the mixed netball club has managed to maintain its position in division 1. As a team, our commitment to overall college sport saw us decide to cancel our Cuppers tournament to help support the College on our annual Worcester Sports Day in Oxford. The continued commitment from all players and camaraderie of the team has made Catz Mixed Netball an incredibly fun and successful team. Mention must be made of the third-year, Fabz Sutton, whose College netball career will unfortunately end as he leaves, and huge thanks must be made to all players for making mixed netball the most important sport in Cambridge.

Captain: Sally Ledger
Pool
This year began with the recently-formed pool team playing in division 2B, following last year’s promotion at the first time of asking. Our first match was against a very strong team representing Jesus, which ended in a 7–2 defeat for Catz, despite many of the games being closely fought. Catz bounced back from this loss with a comfortable 6–3 victory away to Pembroke. An incredible tight 5–4 defeat to Trinity, the eventual division winners, then left the team in danger of relegation as the end of Lent Term approached. With four teams locked in a relegation battle (Catz, Caius, Peterhouse 3 and Queens’ 3), our final game against Peterhouse was a must-win, and win it we did. Catz ran out 8–1 winners, with all team members playing well under pressure. As a result, we finished fifth out of eight teams, despite having played fewer games than two teams below us, and will be playing in division 2B again next year.

In Cuppers, we were drawn against Jesus in the first round and did not progress any further. The match did provide a highlight, however, as Ben Donaldson was victorious against the Jesus captain, a player who remained undefeated in all League matches. Ben was also in great form in the League, winning all four of his singles games as well as two out of his four doubles games.

All in all, a satisfactory season that saw Catz cement its place in the League tables.

Captain: Daniel Garlick

Rugby (men)
SCCRUFC had a hard act to follow after last year’s momentous victory over Downing in the Cupper’s plate final. The season had a promising start, with a strong intake of freshers, carefully poached from the College football team. But, given Cambridge University’s losing streak to Oxford, we had no choice but to loan two of our best: Daniel Dass (Number 8) and Henry King (Fullback) to CURUFC. This sacrifice by SCCRUF led to the outstanding 23–18 Varsity Match win, by the Cambridge team captained by Dass.

Sadly however, a war cannot be won on two fronts and, following two cancellations by opposing teams, the initial momentum in inter-collegiate rugby was lost and the League with it. ‘It is just preparation for Cuppers’ we told ourselves. And so it was. With cross-field kicks from all directions, Trinity were quickly defeated. But this came at a cost, with player numbers too low to field a game against Caius, the injury-stricken SCCRUF were ‘promoted’ into the plate semi-finals. Could this be a repeat of last year? Could SCCRUF retain the silverware? The semi-final against Hughes-St EDMunds was hotly contested – SCCRUF up 7–0 in the first fifteen minutes. Regrettably, they finally worked out how to pass the ball. The line-speed of Horrocks-Taylor and Zhao was no longer enough and by full-time our road to Cuppers was over. It has been an honour Captaining SCCRUF and, although we did not repeat last years success, the Varsity win and club spirit more than made up for it. I’d like to thank everyone who took part throughout the season.

Special thanks goes to Social Secretary Robbie Zhao and Secretary Henry King – both faultless. Also a huge thanks to Jane, for supporting us regardless of the outcome and bringing the team together throughout the season.

Captain: Luke Herries

Rugby (Women)
Women’s rugby hasn’t been very popular at Catz in the past few years, so this year we were looking to raise the profile around College. This did not really go to plan in the first two terms, and we failed to get a team out for any friendly games. Initially, with a strong 18 person sign-up, we actually became concerned that we would have to constantly sub people in and out; but this worry was quickly demolished when we were only able to field a team of three players for the first match; so we failed to field a team for any friendly games. Cuppers was not looking promising at all. But with every tragic fairytale comes a happy ending. The week before Cuppers we recruited a strong team of Catz legends from other sports, who made up for their lack of experience by enthusiasm and speed. We had also hired the most accomplished coaches in Catz history. A last-minute training session saw our confidence bloom so that, when faced with the opposition, they were going straight to ground. With rumours of Blues-heavy competition, there was some fear (for our pride but also safety) and we were certainly unsure of what to expect from the other teams.

The first game was against Jesus, who beat us to the top spot last year. Back with a vengeance, we charged past them to produce our highest-scoring game of the tournament (5–2). With many first-timers making the tries, out hopes lifted. Arch-rivals Emmanuel were next; they fielded a strong and experienced team, but we were faster and played this to our advantage to steal the win. Going into the last game against Caius-Queens who had also won all their games, we knew we were in for a tough match. A glorious try-saving tackle from footballer Fiona Conlon, and some seriously speedy lines from hockey Blue Sophia Padt saw us deny them the glory in the final minutes of play. An immense effort from all the girls, and a special thanks to those who came along to support the girls on the day kitted out in claret and rose: a true commendation of the sporting pride at Catz.

Special mentions to Emma Pierce, Catriona Brickel and Luc Light. I’ve been playing rugby for the University team. Emma started front row in the Varsity match this year with Cat being chosen as reserve, and Lucy faced Oxford in the Tigers match this spring, ending with a light blue victory.

Captain: Olivia Baker
**Sailing**

It has been a successful year for a large contingent of Catz sailors. Tim Gratton, Duncan Hampshire, Fiona Tait, Thomas Maher and Jemima Lawson all represented the University at national level, with great success along the way. For the first two terms, the University squad trains and competes in preparation for the BUCS nationals (BUSA) which are held over Easter. Birmingham’s ‘Brummie Bender’ saw a Cambridge vs Cambridge final, with some inter-Catz rivalry between Jemima and Thomas in team black, and Duncan and Fiona in team purple. In a close match, it was black that clinched the victory, but both teams showed they were stronger than competition from other universities.

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Having qualified in first, second and third from the midlands region, Cambridge made the trek to West Kirby for BUSA with high hopes for a good result. The initial two and a half days of qualifying leagues saw Tim’s team top the leaderboard going into the quarter finals. Jemima and Thomas (black) placed third, while Duncan and Fiona (purple) qualified fifth. Each team dispatched their quarter final opponents without too much bother, setting up purple vs blue and black vs Exeter semi finals. The racing was close, with purple taking a race win from blue, but in the end, the more experienced team prevailed. Black lost to a strong Exeter side, leaving them and purple to race for the bronze medal, while blue faced Exeter in the final. Racing in the petit final was tight, with each team pulling textbook conversions, just as they have practised against each other in training so many times before. In the end, purple prevailed and took bronze. In the final, Exeter had the upper hand off the start line and, despite their best efforts, blue were unable to defend the title for a third time and had to settle for silver.

After some time off for exams, the team arrived at the Varsity match in Itchenor. Tim, Duncan and Thomas would be helming in the mixed team, while Fiona and Jemima competed in the ladies match. The mixed team saw off Oxford with ease, winning the trophy 4–0 in a best of seven. After the first day, the ladies were 2–1 ahead. Great speed by MVP Jemima saw the team secure the required two wins before lunch, allowing for celebrations to commence early.

In the May Week Cuppers fixture, Catz again had a strong showing with two teams entered. Both made it through their respective leagues on top. The seconds were unfortunate to be knocked out in the repêchage by an Emma team which had by this point been strengthened by sailors from other colleges, putting them fifth overall.

Having progressed to the best of three final, the firsts lost the first race after an umpire penalty close to the finish and the second off the start, finishing second overall behind a very strong Robinson team.

**Captain: Tim Gratton**

**Squash**

This season saw a revival of Catz squash. We dominated and won our League division in Michaelmas, hardly losing any sets in matches, let alone games. The players had acquired some flair retro stash from a previous year which undoubtedly helped. Cuppers in Lent brought more matches and the team showed their strengths in defeating a strong Caius team. Unfortunately, in the next round we faced an even stronger Wolfson team and narrowly lost.

All in all a strong year for squash in Catz, let’s bring on next year!

**Captain: Michael Diggin**

**Swimming**

The Catz swimming team excelled this year in Cuppers, far surpassing last year’s result. A full team represented the College showing great enthusiasm and team spirit, with a swimmer competing in every event. The men’s team particularly impressed with an overall second place finish, getting into the finals for all but one event. James Dougal swam fantastically finishing third in the individual breaststroke then immediately after finished joint first in the 100m freestyle, a tremendous effort on his part. The first years, Toby Cowell and Solomon English, both swam strongly in their events and Marcus Fantham achieved a spectacular second place in the butterfly final. These combined to give a relay team that was a force to be reckoned with. The women’s team showed great determination despite the high standard of the competition, going on to complete all events with unwavering commitment. Becky Martin performed impressively in the 100m IM, just missing out on the finals. The women’s relay team performed well, with the less experienced swimmers showing great solidarity to represent Catz. The full team finished fifth overall after a long day of racing amongst 15 competing colleges, a fantastic result for Catz. Special mention must go to all the first year competitors for representing the College, and the team is looking forward to competing next year.

**Captain: Sasha Bailey**

**Water Polo**

Unfortunately, the water polo team did not participate in the League this year as the interest was too low to field teams for the matches. However, the next year captain Bayley Hockham is sure we will have enough players to compete next year.

**Captain: Vytautas Peciukenas**
ALLEYCATZ

The Alleycatz slogan this year has been ‘looking good, feline good’. We have done a lot of looking good, and a lot of feeling not-so-good after some phenomenal and adventurous sporting society socials. Particular social highlights have been demonstrating our sporting prowess on Caesarian Sunday by beating various male drinking societies around Cambridge at rounders and football, and one eventful swap which resulted in two members finding themselves on a bus to Cherry Hinton.

We’ve also had another fantastic year of sporting success. Not only have the Alleycatz contributed a great deal to the success of Catz sports, but also many Alleycatz have played University-level sport and seven of our members achieved a full Blue this year.

This year the Alleycatz have also decided to follow the Kittens in changing the criteria for entry to one based on sport (two College sports, University level sport or sport captaincy). We recently initiated 16 new members, meaning our total current membership is now 51. Most importantly, this year has seen one of the closest knit groups of Alleycatz. We pride ourselves on being an extremely inclusive society as well as being one of the most popular women’s sporting societies in Cambridge. We have loved being Presidents of the Alleycatz this year; and will be handing over to Sally Ledger and Sophia Padt who we’re sure will be excellent. We can’t wait to see what the years ahead hold for the Alleycatz!

Molly Buxton and Anna Faulkner

KITTENS

2016–7 has been a year of consolidation for the Kitten Club. The emphasis has been on refining and improving the positive steps taken last year by the Club to ensure that the Kittens are the most positive force they can be for St Catharine’s College sport.

In the sports arena Kittens have excelled for both the College and the University. Highlights in the Kittens sporting calendar have included the four Kittens involved in the Blues Varsity Hockey match (Kieran Gilmore, Ben Dudgeon, Robin Watts and Hugo Parry) and the two Kittens who received their Blues in the Blues Varsity Golf (Miraj Shah and William Entwisle).

We have continued to run popular Monday Night Quizzes, raising almost £100 for the charity Street Games, and have streamlined the Kittbag, a roundup of College sport, into a Facebook page with over 200 followers. The Kittens have also attempted to maintain the social side of St Catharine’s College sport, organising an alumni day and dinner during the Boat Race along with a Sports Swap attended by 80 Catz sportsmen and sportswomen. The highlight of the year was undoubtedly KAGP (the Kittens and Alleycatz Garden Party), which despite a few last minute stresses was a brilliant occasion and an absolute testament to the effort put in by so many Kittens and Alleycatz.

Captain Pugwash and his Magnificent 8 also managed to negotiate the travails of the Getting-on Race for the first time in several years to make it onto May Bumps. Will Norman and Rory MacMillan put in an admirable stint in teaching the Magnificent 8 how to put their blades in the wet stuff, and Matt Diesel demonstrated some admirable powers of coercion to entice some worse-for-wear guys to pull oars.

Before the Annual Dinner, held in College for the first time in a few years, the prestigious Cambridge Lakes Golf Course played host to the inaugural Cider Cup. Our two Golf Blues Miraj Shah and William Entwisle captained Team Shark and Team Snake respectively through two rounds of foursomes around the notorious Lakes course. Although Team Shark triumphed 6½–1½, golf was the undisputed winner on a cracking day out.
Over the last three years I have seen our club shift into an organisation which has a more positive impact on our College. As an established part of the St Catharine’s community, we have become a club that helps to draw the College tighter together around the twin pillars of sociability and sport that are engrained into our ethos as a College. Under the leadership of Robbie Zhao next year, I can guarantee that the Kittens will continue to be strong.

Joe Horrocks-Taylor

WORCESTER COLLEGE SPORTS DAY

The annual sports day against Worcester College saw the sporting elite of Catz trekking to Oxford to teach the ‘other place’ a lesson or two. As expected with the strengths of the athletes at Catz we managed to field 11 teams to compete in a wide array of sports from football to darts.

The day started well with plentiful amounts of flair and finesse all round; however many of the planned games were truncated or cancelled due to an unseasonal hail shower. The Hockey match did go ahead, and with both Catz and Worcester winning their respective University Leagues, it was always going to be a tight match. Worcester did come out on top but this was put down to a tactical decision to rest vital players for Supercuppers the following weekend.

As usual, there were a few beverages consumed in the evening followed by a swap with the opposition. All in all, it was a great day out with only two Cantabs being left in Oxford facing the joy of the four-hour long X5 bus in the morning.

Special thanks must go to Luke Harries for organising the day.

Ella Benson
Sir Mark Welland, within a Term of his Mastership, inaugurated a College Blues Dinner. The first of these, in January 2017, saw invitations sent to all those earning Blues or half-Blues in 2015–16, as well as to a few distinguished sporting alumni. Here is the Master, flanked by Ethan Ren (Fencing) and Priya Crosby (Athletics and Rowing) at the Dinner.
RIFLE SHOOTING IN CAMBRIDGE

The sport of rifle shooting has been taking place at Cambridge ever since the introduction of firearms in the mid-19th century, with the annual varsity competition against Oxford dating back to 1862. This renders it one of the oldest matches to still take place, along with cricket and rowing. Shooting has undergone many changes since its introduction, not least of which are in the attitude towards it as a sport. The book 50 Years of Sport in Oxford and Cambridge, published in 1912, states that ‘target-practice ought to form part of early training of every Englishman’ and ‘every young Briton should be taught management of a rifle’ – perhaps rather alarming statements. While this view is clearly outdated, the skills required of a marksman are mostly the same, albeit fortunately less relevant in the present day, therefore the nature of the sport of rifle shooting has been maintained over the years.

The Cambridge University Rifle Association (CURA) was established in 1859 and ever since has been successful on shooting’s international scene, with some of the earliest members achieving very highly; for example, Mr AP Humphry won the ‘Queen’s Prize’ in 1871 (this competition is still the most prestigious title to any rifleman). The early success of CURA was most likely due to the fact that Cambridge used to have its very own rifle range, at first on Coldham’s Common and subsequently in west Cambridge towards Coton, beyond what is now Clare Hall. The latter was a full-length range, up to the maximum competition distance at the time, 1,100 yards. Such a range allowed frequent practice of large calibre full-bore shooting. The members were also very keen to enjoy the sport to its fullest in these early years; legend has it that a certain member attempted a 2,000 yard shot from the university press tower (not far from St Catharine’s) towards the range. Unsurprisingly, this attempt only produced some recognisable shot holes moderately near the target. In 1912, CURA was at its largest in terms of members, with students competing for the university from a range of colleges; there were even inter-college competitions held in Cambridge since there were then large enough teams to make this possible.

Despite the removal of the Cambridge long-distance range (site of the M11), to this day members of the club have performed exceptionally well in the Queen’s competition and many others. This is because members are still able to train in the other major rifle discipline that is small-bore shooting, in which rifles that fire much smaller calibre .22” bullets are used at a distance of 25 yards (naturally, the target is much smaller in size than the long-range ones, and this can take place indoors). Varsity matches have also been taking place in this ‘miniature rifle’ discipline of shooting since the early 20th century.

In size, the club is now much smaller than it once was, with membership being about a tenth of the figure in 1912; however, this has not reduced the capabilities of the club, and in recent years it has been hugely successful. Cambridge has regularly overwhelmed its Oxford rivals in the past decade in all three of the major rifle Varsity matches: the Chancellor’s Plate (full-bore target rifle up to 600 yards, dating back to 1862), the Humphry (full-bore match rifle, taking place over longer ranges with telescopic sights, dating back to 1881), and the Heslop (small-bore rifle, 25 yards indoors). Perhaps a more noteworthy achievement was the Cambridge university victory in the annual small-bore BUCS this year, where very accomplished shooting universities such as Glasgow and Edinburgh were defeated in a very close match – BUCS champions is a title that the club has not earned for ten years. This makes CURA, and the small-bore division Cambridge University Small Bore Club (CUSBC), one of the most successful sporting clubs of the university.

Despite this, the club does face some challenges as it moves into the future, with continuously diminishing member numbers (due to fewer students with shooting experience gaining admission), changes in governmental restrictions and insurance policies associated with the use of potentially dangerous equipment. Yet, the club hopes to remain part of the University and to work on increasing its recognition amongst other sports as it has done in its rich history – hopefully this will be done with
continued success on both the national (BUCS) and international (Queen's Prize) scenes, rather than through the infamously high attendance of its Blues at the Hawks' club! The sport of shooting itself, Cambridge aside, continues to gain precedence, particularly of the small-bore discipline. Current members are working to break into international teams, with ambitious goals for the future.

Will Johnson

I BET YOU HAVEN'T HEARD OF FELLRUNNING

Visibility is only a little further than I can reach with an outstretched hand. The temperature is far from teenage and the sleet and rain have long since saturated the last dry reaches of my insubstantial clothing. I have, at least, traded out the traditional shorts and vest for leggings and a waterproof, and I have a small bag of safety kit strapped around my waist. It’s March, and I am lost somewhere between Scawfell and Slightside Edge. Again.

Fellracing – the competitive branch of the obsession that is fellrunning – is the best sport in the world. The basic premise is to set off from a wet field nearly exclusively located in England’s Lake District and race the fastest possible route around a number of checkpoints, usually fell tops, to arrive back at the start. Often this route is well known and the challenge is largely athletic, but it’s not uncommon to find an elusive ‘line’ that can save crucial seconds; many’s the time I’ve been hauling down the final descent only for a grizzled Vet 60 to appear from behind a rock and beat me to the line.

The sport is small, but not exclusive. Local clubs, based in most Cumbrian towns or Yorkshire/Lancashire places of habitation, organise yearly races which are open to entry for a fee of nothing to the princely sum of about £9, depending on whether or not a pie is provided at the finish. The first races set off from the country shows and were traditionally short sprints to the nearest summit and back. However, some way into the last century longer races began to appear; nowadays, races can range from two-mile ‘shorts’ up to marathon-distance ‘super longs’ and beyond. The only racing rule is to visit every checkpoint in order, and the only safety rule is the mantra: ‘hat-gloves-map-compass-whistle-full-body-cover’.

The season nominally corresponds to the Cumbrian summer, when the rain is warmer. However, some races are still held in the harshest depths of winter. Fell races couldn’t happen without the summit marshals, and the folks who brave the worst effects of the fresh air for hours on end are definitely harder than any of the runners. Shortly before my minor navigational hiccup on Eskdale Elevation I had been preparing to give up my search for the summit marshals before I realised that a grey form I had taken for a rock was, in fact, a tarp with two pairs of boots sticking out of the bottom.

Fellrunning is the best sport in the world because of the people, the weather and the fells. I’m incredibly lucky to have been introduced to it and I wouldn’t trade it for tennis in the sunshine for any quantity of strawberries.

Tom Simpson

Fellrunners. Tom is third from the left.
# 2015 Matriculands

The list of 2015 Matriculands in the 2016 Magazine omitted some names and was accompanied by the wrong photograph. The online version has been corrected, but the list and photograph are also printed in this edition.

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Langcaster, Joshua (Wyke Sixth Form College) Natural Sciences
Larsrado, Rhiannon (The Portsmouth Grammar School) Modern and Medieval Languages
Lawson, Jemima (The Portsmouth Grammar School) Medicine
Ledger, Sally (Henrietta Barnett School) Geography
Lee, Riley (Graveney School) English
Lubrano-Lavadera, Maxime (EU) Engineering
Lui, Heidi (Cheltenham Ladies’ College) Law
Mahon, Emily (St Peter's School, York) Modern and Medieval Languages
Manaley, Rebecca (Woodhouse College, Finchley) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Martin, Robert (Colchester Royal Grammar School) History
McArdle, Owen (Ysgol Uwchradd Caereinion High School) Modern and Medieval Languages
McGeachin, Lucy (Brighton Hove and Sussex Sixth Form College) English
McGuigan, Eoghan (St. Colman’s College) Law
McMillan, Rory (Sherborne School) Natural Sciences
Mendes-Jones, Xelia (North London Collegiate School) Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic
Meredith, Morgan (The Sixth Form College Colchester) English
Michaelides, Lydia (Joyce Frankland Academy, Newport) Veterinary Medicine
Misterka, Kuba (EU) Mathematics
Morris, Lauren (Sir William Borlase’s grammar School) Law
Myers, Anna (Bromley High School) Land Economy
Niven, Flora (St George's School, Harpenden) Modern and Medieval Languages
Noble, Isabel (Colchester Royal Grammar School) Modern and Medieval Languages
Orriss, Jennifer (Ashmole Academy (formerly Ashmole School)) Engineering
O’Sullivan, Sophie (Loreto College, St Albans) English
Owens, Daniel (King Edward VI Grammar School, Chelmsford) Natural Sciences
Padt, Sophia (Latymer Upper School) Geography
Page, Henry (Dulwich College) English
Patel, Hanesh (The City of Leicester College) Engineering
Plastow, Grace (Balcarras School) Economics
Popat, Vinay (Haberdashers’ Aske’s Boys’ School) Economics
Potter, Harriet (Hills Road Sixth Form College) Medicine
Raffell, Esther (Haberdashers’ Aske’s Girls’ School) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Rao, Raunak (St Olave’s and St Saviour’s Grammar School) Medicine
Reeves Pigott, Amber (Parkstone Grammar School) English
Ren, Ethan (Cardiff High School) Mathematics
Rendell-Bhatti, Harry (Brighton Hove and Sussex Sixth Form College) Natural Sciences
Rennie, Madison (The Mary Erskine School) History
Roberts, Charlotte (Beckfoot School) History
Robinson, Jemima (Notre Dame High School, Sheffield) Natural Sciences
Rose, Madeline (Sir William Borlase’s Grammar School) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Ross, Joanne (Carmel College) Veterinary Medicine
Ross, Saskia (Chesham Grammar School) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Ruszkowski, Kasia (Charters School) Modern and Medieval Languages
Shah, Dikshali (North London Collegiate School) Modern and Medieval Languages
Shears, Isobel (The Stephen Perse Foundation) Geography
Sia, Clifford (Cardiff Sixth Form College) Medicine
Siemens, Ygraine (Bacup and Rawtenstall Grammar School) English
Sinuula, Lebogang (Cardiff Sixth Form College) Veterinary Medicine
Sketeris, Lauryn (Bacup and Rawtenstall Grammar School) English
Smith, Callum (Finham Park School) History
Soselia, Michael (Dulwich College) Law
Stagni, Elena (South Hampstead High School) History
Stevens, James (Sutton Grammar School) Geography
Taghinejadi, Haleh (Withington Girls’ School) Natural Sciences
Tait, Fiona (Upton by Chester High School) Philosophy
Tomkute, Raminta (EU) Natural Sciences
Tsangalidou, Zoi (EU) Mathematics
Twist, Holly (Canford School) Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
Varawalla, Shariq (Westminster School) Economics
Volford, Andras (EU) Natural Sciences
Wales, Anna (Apply Online UK) Geography
Wang, Jonghyun (Claremont Fan Court School) Economics
Webb, Ezra (Pate’s Grammar School) Natural Sciences
Willey, Edward (Oundle School) Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
Wongsathapornpat, Voraprach (Shrewsbury International School, Thailand) Music
Zanre, Alessandro (Queen Elizabeth’s School, Barnet) Natural Sciences
Zhu, Zihan (St Teresas School, Dorking) Natural Sciences

2016 MATRICULANDS

Acres, Annabelle (Bishop Luffa School, Chichester) Veterinary Medicine
Al Shdefat, Sofyan (Canons High School, Edgware) Medicine
Allington, Lucy (Loreto College, Manchester) Natural Sciences Biological
Amin, Dylan (Queen Elizabeth’s School, Barnet) Land Economy
Backhurst, Holly (The Sixth Form College Farnborough) Geography
Baczuk, Michael (XIV High School of Stanislaw Staszic, Warsaw, Poland) Mathematics
Bell, Charlie (Torquay Boys’ Grammar School) Natural Sciences Physical
Benson, Ella (North London Collegiate School, Edgware) Land Economy
Billingham, Chloe (The Weald School and Sixth Form College, Billingshurst) Natural Sciences Biological
Bird, Alex (Shrewsbury School) Land Economy
Boughton-Shields, Rosie (Rushcliffe School, Nottingham) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Brearley, Henry (Stockport Grammar School) Natural Sciences Physical
Cepitis, Ritums (Riga State Gymnasium No 1, Latvia) Natural Sciences Physical
Chin, Daniel (Harrow School) Natural Sciences Physical
Cinamon Nair, Yamini (The Godolphin and Latymer School) Geography
Clarke, Benedict (Latymer Upper School, Hammersmith) English
Cleere, Thomas (Dubai College) Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic
Collins, Imogen (South Wilts Grammar School for Girls) Geography
Cooper, Amy (Hazelwick School, Crawley, Sussex) Modern and Medieval Languages
Cowell, Tobias (Ilkley Grammar School) Engineering
Crisp, Marina (Steyning Grammar School, Sussex) English
Cullen, Michael (Hailsham Community College) Music
Cullen, Fergus (St Mary Redcliffe and Temple School, Bristol) Philosophy
Dawson, Josh (Fortismere School, Muswell Hill) Natural Sciences Physical
Deora, Gabrielle (Bury St Edmunds County Upper School) Modern and Medieval Languages
Dibb-Fuller, Martin (Royal Grammar School, Guildford) Mathematics
Dluzewski, Grzegorz (ZS UMK Gimnazjum I Liceum Akademickie, Poland) Mathematics
Duffy, Connor (Queen Ethelburga's Collegiate Foundation, York) Law
Dumitriu, Roxana (Vasile Alecsandri High School, Romania) Computer Science
English, Solomon (Abingdon School) Natural Sciences Biological
Epishkina, Maria (North London Collegiate School, Edgware) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Farrukh Raza, Jawwad (King Edward's School, Edgbaston) Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
Francis, Olivia (Steyning Grammar School, Sussex) English
Gibbs, Jack (Royal Grammar School, Guildford) Engineering
Gibbs, Elizabeth (Stantonbury Campus, Milton Keynes) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Godsal, Clove (St Paul's Girls' School, Hammersmith) Asian and Middle Eastern Studies
Gokani, Dylan (Westminster School) Economics
Green, Fran (Queen Elizabeth Sixth Form College, Darlington) English
Green, Matt (Devonport High School for Boys) History
Hafner, Alenka (Druga Gimnazija Maribor, Slovenia) Natural Sciences Biological
Hammond, Kate (King's High School, Warwick) Modern and Medieval Languages
Harris, Matthew (Winchester College) Natural Sciences Biological
Heath, Jordan (City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College) Economics
Herrick, Archie (Ratcliffe College, Leicester) Natural Sciences Biological
Ho, Jonathan (Dulwich College) Economics
Hockham, Bayley (Bedford Modern School) History
Hooton, Polly (Peter Symonds College, Winchester) Veterinary Medicine
Hopkins, Lawrence (Manchester Grammar School) Geography
Hulse, Olivia (City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College) Natural Sciences Biological
Jalali, Saif (Canons High School, Edgware) Law
Jha, Shashwat (Birkdale School, Sheffield) Economics
Jones, Georgina (King Edward VI School, Warwickshire) Psychological and Behavioural Sciences
Kalus, Freya (Durham Johnston Comprehensive School) Modern and Medieval Languages
Keay, Celia (King's High School, Warwick) Law
Khan, Muhammed (King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Boys, Birmingham) Natural Sciences Physical
Kirwan, Hannah (Alleyn’s School, Dulwich) English
Kluonis, Marius (Kaunas University of technology Gymnasium, Lithuania) Natural Sciences Physical
Kumar, Sharan (The Perse School, Cambridge) Medicine
Kovacs, David (Szent Istvan Secondary Grammar School, Hungary) Natural Sciences Physical
Kumar, Sharan (The Perse School, Cambridge) Medicine
Lai, Yan (Henrietta Barnett School, Hampstead Garden Suburb) Law
Lam, Cordelia (Chinese International School, Hong Kong) Law
Laughston, Sarah (The King’s School, Macclesfield) Geography
Lefroy, Naomi (Notting Hill & Ealing High School) Geography
Li, Jimin (d’Overbroeck’s College, Oxford) Natural Sciences Physical
Loxton, Ellie (Oakham School) English
Ma, Alice (Keswick School) Veterinary Medicine
MacCarthy, Toby (Alleyn’s School, Dulwich) Medicine
Mackey, Charlotte (St Mary’s Catholic High School, Manchester) Psychological and Behavioural Sciences
Malcolm, Thomas (St John’s International School, Belgium) Natural Sciences Physical
Mann, Kabir (Haberdashers’ Aske’s Boys’ School, Elstree, Hertfordshire) Economics
Martin, Daniel (Hampton School) Natural Science Biological
McCormack, Emily (Clitheroe Royal Grammar School) Law
McKeown, Rachel (Merthyr Tydfil College) Natural Sciences Biological
Merat, Maisam (Watford Grammar School for Boys) Natural Sciences Physical
Merry, Kate (Esher College) Law
Miller, James (King’s College School, Wimbledon) Classics
Moller, Tobias (Lancaster Royal Grammar School) Engineering
Morkunas, Deividas (Vilnius Lyceum, Lithuania) Mathematics
Morton, Hannah (Aylesbury High School) Geography
Murphy, Alicia (Henrietta Barnett School, Hampstead Garden Suburb) Chemical Engineering (via Engineering)
Neve, Emily (Dauntsey’s School, Devizes, Wiltshire) Veterinary Medicine
Nixon, Tom (Lancaster Royal Grammar School) History
Ong, Amanda (Cardiff Sixth Form College) Economics
Ormsby, Isabelle (Tonbridge Grammar School) Medicine
Osborne, Rhiannon (Kingswood School, Bath) Medicine
O’Sullivan, Sophie (Loreto College, St Albans) English
O’Tuminu, Dominic (Chesham Grammar School) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Pajanok, Nikita (Klipedo Lyceum, Lithuania) Natural Sciences Physical
Parry, Hugo (Merchant Taylors’ School, Northwood) Engineering
Paterson, Gregory (British Section Lyceee International, France) Law

Payne-Gill, Harriet (Bishop Heber High School, Chester) Chemical Engineering (via Natural Sciences)
Peckham, Felix (Wellington College, Crowthorne) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Penfold, George (Ormiston Bushfield Academy, Peterborough) Economics
Philippsohn, Jamie (City of London School) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Pierce, Emma (Bournemouth School for Girls) Theology and Religious Studies
Purnell, Lucy (Oundle School) Psychological and Behavioural Sciences
Reilly, Theo (St Paul’s School, Barnes, London) Modern and Medieval Languages
Reyes, Gaia (International School Hilversum, Netherlands) Human, Social and Political Sciences
Rietkerk, Millie (James Allen’s Girls’ School, Dulwich) Theology and Religious Studies
Robins, Jack (St Peter’s School, York) Medicine
Robinson, Lydia (Wolfeaton School and Sixth Form College, Hull) Law
Rong, Zhiwan (High School Affiliated to Nanking Normal University) Land Economy
Rowe, Matthew (Parmiter’s School, Watford) Mathematics with Physics
Santon, Claudia (Bournemouth School for Girls) Medicine
Schofield, Holly (Colyvers VI Form College, Horsham, Sussex) History
Shahabi, Sameeullah (Cardinal Newman College, Preston, Lancashire) Medicine
Sharman, Daniel (Thurston Community College, Bury St Edmunds) Philosophy
Short, Isobel (Shrewsbury High School) Natural Sciences Biological
Shukla, Isha (Parmiter’s School, Watford) Engineering
Smith, Henry (Harrow School) Classics
Smith, Matt (Reed’s School, Cobham, Surrey) Economics
Stinton, Emilia (Guildford High School) Theology and Religious Studies
Sundaram, Srinand (Hampton School) Medicine
Swaminathan, Manisha (The Stephen Perse Foundation, Cambridge) Engineering
Tan, Ines (Dover Grammar School for Girls) History
Trojanskis, Nick (Riga State Gymnasium No 1, Latvia) Natural Sciences Biological
Vaughan, Alice (Bromsgrove School) Modern and Medieval Languages
Wade, Tom (Gravesend Grammar School) Natural Sciences Physical
Wallace, Alex (Peter Symonds College, Winchester) Natural Sciences Biological
Watts, Robin (Sullivan Upper School, Belfast) History
Wheeler, Megan (Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School, Cheshire) Music
Wilken, Timo (The German School, Richmond, London) Natural Sciences Physical
Wilkinson, Freddy (Berkhamsted School) Medicine
Winder, Samuel (Monmouth Comprehensive School) Engineering
Woodvine, Ashley (The Hewett Academy, Norwich) Philosophy
Wright, Will (St Mary’s High School, Chesterfield) Mathematics
Wylie, Anna (Victoria College, Belfast) Modern and Medieval Languages
Yang, Emily (City of London Freemen’s School) Natural Sciences Physical
Young, Phoebe (Queen Elizabeth’s Grammar School, Alford, Lincolnshire) Mathematics
Zator, Kate (Leweston School Trust, Sherborne, Dorset) Natural Sciences Biological
Zhang, Chen (Henrietta Barnett School, Hampstead Garden Suburb) Medicine
Zhuang, Charlotte (Oxford International College of Changzhou, China) Engineering

NEW GRADUATE STUDENTS 2016

Abbott, Alexander (St Catharine’s) Applied Maths and Theoretical Physics
Allen, Finian (St Catharine’s) Chemistry
Ashour, Dina (University of Hamburg) Biological Science
Atkinson, Evangeline (University of Bristol) Political Thought & Intellectual History
Babic, Igor (University of Warwick) Industrial Systems, Man & Man
Bell, Elizabeth (St Catharine’s) Biological Sciences
Bicer, Aila (University of York) World History
Boucher, Emma (University of Keele) Medieval History
Brug, Eleanor (St Catharine’s) Materials Science
Cabassi, Alessandra (Politecnico di Milano) Medical Science
Campion, Pamela (University of Leeds) Planning Growth & Regeneration
Ceplak, Nejc (University of Ljubljana) Applied Mathematics
Cervettini, Daniele (Universita Degli Studi Pisa) Biological Science
Chae, Yung In (Princeton University) Classics
Charytonowicz, Daniel (University of Delaware) Bioscience Enterprise
Chen, Hao (McGill University) History
Chen, Jimmy (London School of Economics & Political Science) Modern European History
Chiang, Ho Ching (King’s College London) Master of Law
Cocanougher, Benjamin (Centre College, Kentucky) Zoology
Copley, Emma (St Catharine’s) Science with Chemistry
Curtis, Flora (Edinburgh University) Early Modern History
Cusack, Anna (Birkbeck College) Early Modern History
Darling, Nathaniel (St Catharine’s) Geography
Davidson, Jonathan (University of Cambridge) Chemistry
Doreth, Christian (Technische Universitat Dresden) Cardiovascular Research
Ducray, Stephen (University of Dublin Trinity College) Pathology
Emge, Steffen (Philipps-Universitaet Marburg) Chemistry
Gamble, Alexander (University College London) Eur, Lat Am & Comp Lit & Cult
Gimson, Lucy (St Catharine’s) Veterinary Medicine
Harrison, Miranda (Christ Church College, Oxford) Modern European History
Heaton, James (VIA University College, Denmark) Engineering
Heer, Arandeeep (Imperial College London) Real Estate Finance
Heiskanen, Jaakko (King’s College London) Politics & International Stud
Henriksen, Anni (University of Copenhagen) Medieval and Renaissance Lit
Hou, Meizhu (Shanghai International Studies University) Master of Law
Huskinson, Aithghen (St Catharine’s) Veterinary Medicine
Hwa, Yue-Yi (Exeter College, Oxford) Education
Iacucci, Giovanni (University of Calabria) Chemistry
Induruwa, Isuru (Imperial College London) Clinical Neurosciences
Khan, Amy (St Catharine’s) Veterinary Medicine
Kim, Samuel (Harvard University) Education
Kovacsics, Robert (St Catharine’s) Computer Science
Kratt, Frederick (St Catharine’s) Geographical Research
Krause, Fynn (University of Munster) Biochemistry
Lam Ka Hei, Deborah (The University of York) English Studies
Laurence, Rowan (University of Auckland) MBA
Lazurenko, Artem (London School of Economics & Political Science) MBA
Le, Elizabeth (St Catharine’s) Clinical Medicine
Lee, Kan (Peking University) Asian & Middle Eastern Studies
Leone, Paolo Vincenzo (Università Roma Tre) Innovation, Strategy and Organisation
Lewandowska, Michelle (University of South Florida) Criminological Research
Lipman, Joshua (University of Utah) Diploma in Theol & Rel Stud
Liu, Bin (Central South University, China) Medicine
Liu, Jennifer (London School of Economics & Political Science) Education
Liu, Pinzhang (University of Birmingham) Economics
Loizide, Stephanie (University of Manchester) Energy Technologies
Lunz, Sebastian (St Catharine’s) Pure Mathematics
Mahin, Julien (Université Catholique de Louvain) Chemical Engineering
Mao, Huijing (Lancaster University) Planning Growth & Regeneration
Martin, Rebecca (St Catharine’s) Biological Sciences
McNamara, Rebecca (King’s College London) Classics
Mookerjee, Souradip (St Catharine’s) Clinical Medicine
Mugerwa, Florence (BPP Law School) Master of Law
Mulder-Brussen, Josephine (University of Exeter) Economics
Pinnington, Natasha (St Catharine’s) English Studies
Potten, Stephanie (St Catharine’s) Clinical Medicine
Preston, Percy (St Hugh’s College, Oxford) Political Thought & Intellectual History
Ralph, James (Cardiff University) Psychiatry
Robertson, Helena (University of Nottingham) Economics
Roodheuvel, Joaquim (University of Amsterdam) Master of Law
Russo, Iacopo (Imperial College London) Engineering
Sandal, Hakki (Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University, Turkey) Multi-disciplinary Gender Studies
Selman, Robert (St Catharine’s) Veterinary Medicine
Shen, Jiazhen (King’s College London) CRUKCI PhD Programme
Shiraz, Mohamed (St Catharine’s) Pathology
Skoularidou, Maria (Athens University of Economics & Business) Medical Science
St George-Hyslop, Frances (St Catharine’s) Biological Anthropology
Stoyanova, Elena (University of York) Biological Science
Subramanian, Sathyawageeswar (St Catharine’s) Applied Maths and Theoretical Physics
Sulentic, Petra (Sveucliste u Zagrebu, Croatia) Medicine
Tang, Shi (Tsinghua University, China) Management Studies
Thacker, Daniel (University of Bristol) Latin American Studies
Thurtle, David (Royal College of Surgeons) Doctor of Medicine
Trenins, Georgijs (St Catharine’s) Chemistry
Troy-Donovan, Alice (Magdalen College, Oxford) English Studies
Tumin, Siti (University of Warwick) Economic Research
Vimalanathan, Kavimeela (St Catharine’s) Clinical Medicine
Von Boetticher, Alexander (Swiss Federal Institute of Technology) Physics
Wang, Haina (University of Southern California) MBA
Wang, Wenyu (Tsinghua University, China) Engineering
Watt, Conrad (Imperial College London) Computer Science
Watts, Christopher (University of Southampton) Advanced Computer Science
Weir, Hayley (St Catharine’s) Clinical Medicine
Wilkes, Helen (St Catharine’s) Zoology
Winstead, John (Hebrew University of Jerusalem) Theology & Religious Studies
Xu, Zhihan (Imperial College London) Theology & Religious Studies
Yelverton, Ben (St Catharine’s) Astronomy
Yildiz, Guney (London School of Economics & Political Science) Sociology
Zhu, Wenjie (Karlsruhe Institute of Technology) MBA
UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPs AND PRIZES

Bolgar, P: The Raphael Prize for Distinction in Organic Chemistry
Bolgar, P: The Gordon Wigan Prize for Best Project in Organic Chemistry
Briggs, C: The William Vaughan Lewis Prize for Geography
Clayton, BAJ: The Archibald Denny Prize in Theory of Structures
De Grande, D: The Arthur Bliss Prize for Outstanding Composition Portfolio 2016

Draksas, D: BP Prize for an Outstanding Performance in Pt IB Chemistry B
Leung, DSM: The Whalley Prize for Modern & Medieval Languages
Mariner, ST: The DH Green Prize for Modern & Medieval Languages
Wales, AG: The Philip Lake Prize for Geography

COLLEGE PRIZES

All those obtaining First Class Honours are awarded a Scholarship to the value of £100 and a Book Prize to the value of £100. The College Prizes are given as a further honour.

Parish HG: The Higham Prize in Archaeology
Faulkner A: The Bruno Laurent Memorial Prize in Chemical Engineering
Kleeman J A C: The Sayers Prize in Economics
Heath J: The Arthur Andersen Prize
Moller T: The Alexandria Prize in Engineering
Dunlop A, Clayton BAJ, Yeung YK, Pawson JD: The Birfield Memorial Scholarships in Engineering
Dudgeon BP: The Engineering Members' Prize in Engineering
Keen S: The TR Henn Prize in English
Wales AG: The William Balchin Prize in Geography
Collins I, Wales AG, Porter A: The Gus Caesar Prizes in Geography
Briggs C: The Stephen Hinchliffe Dissertation Prize in Geography
Dilucia N: The Figgis Memorial Prize in History
Henshall TSW: The Ivo Forde Prizes in History
Goh G: The Adderley Prize in Law
Roodheuvel JY, Chiang HC, Lai YN, Addison GW: The Kemp-Gooderson Prizes in Law
Minter PDTW, Ceplak N: The TW Armour Prizes in Mathematics
Dluzewski GB: The Drury-Johns Prize in Mathematics
Morley BS: The Jeremy Haworth Prize in Mathematics or in Engineering
Cox CL, Ashley-Fenn W, Potter HE: The John Addenbrooke Medical Prizes
Grace L: The Sean Mulherin Prizes in Modern & Medieval Languages
Leung DSM: The Posener Memorial Prize in Modern & Medieval Languages
Lasrado R: The Tasker Prize in Modern & Medieval Languages

Bolgar P: The John Spencer Wilson Prize in Natural Sciences
Khan M, Zanre AC: The John Shakeshaft Prize for Natural Sciences
Garlick DJ: The Belfield Clarke Prize in Biological Sciences
Khan M: The James Brimlow Prize in Chemistry
Draksas D: The Ray Driver Prize in Chemistry
Bolgar P, Garlick D: The Alan Battersby Prizes in Chemistry or in Biochemistry
Knowles SF: The VLM Lairmore Prize in Physics
Stinton EJ: The Cuthbert Casson Prizes in Theology
Rietkerk A: The Corrie Prize in Theology
Stinton EJ: The Jarrett Prize in Theology or in Asian & Middle Eastern Studies
Shaw GC: The Stephane Francis Prize in Veterinary Medicine
Michaelides LML: The Daniel Owen Morgan Prize in Veterinary Medicine
Wales AG: The RS Briggs Prize for Outstanding Tripos Performance
Stinton EJ: The Hutcherson Prize for Outstanding Tripos Performance
Page HGN: The DW Morgan Prize for Academic Excellence
Trace J R (History), Foley S (Psychology), Sampaziotis F (Surgery): The St Catharine's Prizes for Distinction in Research in the Arts and Humanities, in the Physical & Biological Sciences, and in the Social Sciences

Other awards

The following include academic awards not directly relating to Tripos performance, awards with academic and non-academic components, and awards recognising a significant non-academic contribution to College life.

Troy-Donovan A: The Christopher Macgregor Memorial Award(s) or Prize(s) for English Literature
Addison G W, Goh G, Hassard C J: The Gooderson Memorial Grant(s) for Legal Practice
Merry K E: The Mooting Prize(s)
Kalus F: The Wilshaw Bursary
Neve EC: The Karen Kerslake Memorial Prize for College Music
Ruszkowski K: The Weaver Prize for Choral Music
Dougal JP: The HH Hull Award for Outstanding Contribution to College Instrumental or Vocal Music
Sketeris L: The Richard Hardy Award for Biological Science
Knights S: The Martin Steele Memorial Award(s) for Theatre


Senior Scholars
Bolgar, P: Natural Sciences Tripos Pt III: Chemistry (Skerne (1745))
Butterworth, A: Natural Sciences Tripos Pt III: Chemistry (Skerne (1745))
Clayton, BA: Engineering Tripos Pt IIA (Dr John Gostlin (1626))
Cox, CL: Final MB Exam Pt III: Clinical Examination (Moses Holway (1695))
Dunlop, A: Engineering Tripos Pt IIA (Dr John Gostlin (1626))
Faulkner, A: Chemical Engineering Tripos Pt IIA (Dr John Gostlin (1626))
Goh, G: Law Tripos Pt II (Mrs Payne (1610))
Knowles, SF: Natural Sciences Tripos Pt II: Physics (Skerne (1745))
Minter, PDTW: Mathematical Tripos Pt II (John Cartwright (1674))
Morley, BS: Mathematical Tripos Pt III (John Cartwright (1674))
Parish, HG: HSPS Tripos Pt IIB: Archaeology (Lady Cocket (c.1635))
Pawson, JD: Engineering Tripos Pt IIA (Dr John Gostlin (1626))
Sharma, N: Natural Sciences Tripos Pt II: Chemistry (Skerne (1745))
Simmons, WV: Computer Science Tripos Pt II (Mr Spurstow (1646))
Simpson, T: Engineering Tripos Pt IIA (Dr John Gostlin (1626))
Stakes, TD: Engineering Tripos Pt IIA (Dr John Gostlin (1626))
Tarrant, E: Final Veterinary Exam Pt II (Moses Holway (1695))
Wells Dion, BRM: Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic Tripos Pt II (Samuel Frankland (1691))
Yeung, YK: Engineering Tripos Pt IIA (Dr John Gostlin (1626))

Scholars
Addison, GW: Law Tripos Pt II (Mrs Payne (1610))
Ager, WJ: Engineering Tripos Pt IB (Dr John Gostlin (1626))
Al Shdefat, S: Medical & Veterinary Sciences Tripos Pt IA (Moses Holway (1695))
Ashley-Fenn, W: Medical & Veterinary Sciences Tripos Pt IB (Moses Holway (1695))
Backhurst, HJ: Geographical Tripos Pt IA (Sir John Cleypoole (1613))
Baczyk, M: Mathematical Tripos Pt IA (John Cartwright (1674))
Badenach-Nicolson, BA: Modern & Medieval Languages Tripos Pt II (Henry Chaytor (1954))
Bakker, M: MPhil in Advanced Computer Science (Mr Spurstow (1646))
Bates, A: Final Veterinary Exam Pt II (Moses Holway (1695))
Burrow, J: English Tripos Pt II (Sir John Cleypoole (1613))
Burrows, G: Natural Sciences Tripos Pt IB (Thomas Hobbes (1631))
Calliafas, L: Modern & Medieval Languages Tripos Pt II (Henry Chaytor (1954))
Ceplak, N: MAST in Applied Mathematics (John Cartwright (1674))
Charlton, I: Final Veterinary Exam Pt II (Moses Holway (1695))
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Dudgeon, BP: Engineering Tripos Pt IB (Dr John Gostlin (1626))
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| Entwisle, W: Economics Tripos Pt IIA (Robert Skerne (1661)) |
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| Galbraith, MT: MPhil in Public Health (Moses Holway (1695)) |
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| Michaelides, LML: Medical & Veterinary Sciences Tripos Pt IB (Moses Holway (1695)) |
| Mikutis, S: Natural Sciences Tripos Pt III: Chemistry (Skerne (1745)) |
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| Osborne, RE: Medical & Veterinary Sciences Tripos Pt IA (Moses Holway (1695)) |
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| Plastow, G: Economics Tripos Pt IIA (Robert Skerne (1661)) |
| Porter, A: Geographical Tripos Pt II (Sir John Cleypoole (1613)) |
| Potter, HE: Medical & Veterinary Sciences Tripos Pt IB (Moses Holway (1695)) |
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| Radzevicius, A: Natural Sciences Tripos Pt III: Chemistry (Skerne (1745)) |
| Rietkerk, A: Theological & Religious Studies Tripos Pt I (Mrs Julian Stafford (1627)) |
| Rong, Z: Land Economy Tripos Pt IA (Robert Skerne (1661)) |
| Rootheuvel, JV: Master of Law (Mrs Payne (1610)) |
| Santoni, CM: Medical & Veterinary Sciences Tripos Pt IA (Moses Holway (1695)) |
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| Taylor, C: HSPS Tripos Pt IIB: Social Anthropology (Lady Cocket (c.1635)) |
| Temple, MJ: Natural Sciences Tripos Pt III: Astrophysics (Skerne (1745)) |
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| Troy-Donovan, A: MPhil in English (Sir John Cleypoole (1613)) |
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Bertero, Alessandro: Activin/nodal signalling controls the epigenome and epitranscriptome of human pluripotent stem cells
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Carpenter, Asha: The effects of maternal and postnatal diet-induced obesity on the offspring liver
Chan, Eleanor: Mathematics and the craft of thought in England and the Low Countries, c. 1570–1630
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Dundas, Kirsten: Identification and characterisation of novel extracellular protein interactions involved in the sporozoite stage of Plasmodium falciparum malaria
Evans, Sarah: Communication and information storage in the upper palaeolithic: an analysis of geometrically engraved bone and antler objects from South-West Europe
Gorman, Timothy: The development of a Palladium-catalysed C-H functionalisation of amino alcohols enabled by a steric tethering effect
Greenfield, Jerome: Public finance and the making of the modern French state, 1799–1853
Hengel, Erin: Two essays on bankruptcy and one essay on gender differences in academic publishing
Jano Ito, Marco Aurelio: Socio-technical modelling of the electricity sector in Mexico: an analysis of the complex behaviour and interactions of its main actors and their influence on low-carbon energy investment
Kennedy, Amanda: The pharmacology, distribution and function of chemerin receptors, CMKLR1 and GPR1, in the human vasculature
Kerr, Christopher: NMR and neutron total scattering studies of silicon-based anode materials for lithium-ion batteries
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Loche, Elena: Molecular mechanisms underlying the developmental programming of cardiovascular disease in offspring of obese mothers
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Patel, Vruti: Targeting GADD34 in metabolic disease
Pel, Victoria: An investigation into the production of mitochondrial reactive oxygen species during myocardial ischaemia/reperfusion injury
Riddell, Amy: The muscle-bone unit in children and adolescents with and without cystic fibrosis
Sampaziotis, Fotios: Biliary organoids for disease modelling and regenerative medicine applications
Sims, Peter: Foregrounds to the Epoch of Reionization
Skeffington, Katie: Mitochondrial-derived oxidative stress and developmental programming of cardiovascular disease
Syrijanen, Johanna: Structural studies on the lateral element of the meiosis-specific synaptonemal complex
Toth, Mano Gabor: Dealing with conflicting visions of the past The case of European Memory
Tyrakis, Petros: Studies on oncometabolites and their roles in both cancer and normal cells
Williams, Rebecca: Spatially resolved spectroscopy of high-redshift galaxies: constraints on galaxy formation and evolution
Wisnivesky Rocca Rivarola, Florencia: Structural, compositional and optical studies of novel semiconductor nanocrystals – application of advanced STEM characterisation
It has been a privilege to serve the St Catharine’s Society as its President over the last year. One of the diminishing pleasures of being an ageing don is the friendship of so many people encountered over the years, especially (but by no means only) colleagues and former students. I believe members of the Society enjoy its gatherings and activities for the same reason, and it is always cheering to meet them in Cambridge or elsewhere.

Much of the life of the Society is necessarily devolved to the regions. Our diverse regional events across the country are all described in the various Branch Reports later in the Magazine. We are very much beholden to our branch chairmen for the hard work they put in to organise them. Apart from dinners, there have been visits to the opera and to interesting houses – especially the private tours in London – country rambles, wine tastings, and talks on a wide variety of topics. I only participated in a few of these, but I would like to thank Mark Horner and Stephen Mennell for entertaining me in Belfast last October, to Michael Hawkes for inviting me to Compton Verney house in March, and to Clive Brunswick, and Tony and Judy Norman, for their many kindnesses to me in Hampshire in June. One observation I would make about these events is that they tend to be dominated by older members – men (unavoidably so) of my age and above, and their partners. This is doubtless inevitable. We have more time in retirement, and a growing nostalgia for our well-spent youth. But the Committee are reflecting on whether there is anything more we can do for younger alumni, thereby to ensure our continuity across the generations. The College itself arranges reunion dinners every year for particular cohorts, and, although ‘40 years on’ exerts a particular emotional pull (and soon it will do so for women), more recent generations are also keen to see their contemporaries. Maybe these events in College are all that the younger alumni require, given their family and career commitments, but the Committee would welcome suggestions for extending the Society’s reach.

The Society devotes most of its income to the support of current student members, both by making grants (totalling over £10,000) and by helping them with careers advice. The larger grants (commonly £500) are for internship bursaries, ranging this year from materials research to internment (if that is the word) in a monkey sanctuary, and for musical tuition; numerous smaller grants are paid for sports expenses, including equipment, travel and membership fees. The College has been equally (if not more) generous to us in return. It pays for the publication of this Magazine, which under our present Editor is considered to be the best of its kind in Cambridge; and it lends us the services of the Development Office, without which we would find it very difficult to keep in touch with our many thousands of members. I should also express thanks to Howard Cole, the College IT Manager, for revamping our Society website. It is attractive, and so easy to navigate that even I can find my way round it easily. It is a helpful way of keeping members in touch with what is going on.

It is sad to have to record the deaths this year of two former Presidents who served on the Committee for many years: Roy Chapman (President 1994–5) and Professor Reavley Gair (President 2011–2).

As the non-executive President, I readily acknowledge that most of the hard work at the Society’s centre falls on the chairman and secretary of the Committee, to whom I express the Society’s gratitude. David Sanders is retiring as chairman after four years in office, and we are particularly grateful to him for his wisdom and skilful chairmanship. Dr John Wells now takes over. Thanks are also due to Guy Beringer, my predecessor as President, who was particularly active in that role, and whose term on the Committee ends this year, and Richard Whitwell, who leaves the Committee after eight years. My own successor is Keith Cocker, and I am sure he will enjoy the position as much as I have.

John Baker
SOCIETY COMMITTEE 2017–8

**President:** Keith Cocker (1972)

**Vice-President and President-Elect:**
Professor John Moverley (1968)

**Immediate Past President:** Professor Sir John Baker (Fellow 1971, Honorary Fellow 2012)

**Chairman:** Dr John Wells (1976)

**Hon Secretary:** David Peace (1966, Fellow Commoner 2014)

**Hon Treasurer:** Dr John Little (1972, Fellow 1980)

**Editor, Society Magazine:** Roger Stratford (1960, Fellow Commoner 1992)

**Society Webmaster:** Howard Cole, College IT Manager

**Elected (Ordinary) Members**

**Elected 2017:** Carrie Whitwell (1983), Revd Dr David Neaum (Fellow 2013)

**Elected 2016:** David Hughes (1978), Karen Cass (1981)

**Re-elected 2015:** Dr Anthony Davenport (Fellow 1995)

**Elected 2014:** Dr Ivan Scales (Fellow 2008)

**Elected 2013:** Dr Abigail Brundin (Fellow 2000), Hugh McNeill (1996)


**Tenure:** President-Elect, President, Immediate Past President – 1 year in each position; Chairman – (8 years maximum), Secretary, Treasurer – each eligible for re-election annually. Elected (Ordinary) Members – 4 years with the option to stand for one further 4-year term; Branch Chairs, Magazine Editor, Society Webmaster – ex-officio. All elections at the AGM other than Branch Chairs (chosen locally).

THE SOCIETY PRESIDENT 2017–8

Keith Cocker came up to St Catharine’s from Manchester with a scholarship to read History. He thoroughly enjoyed reading the History that interested him and not reading the History that didn’t, being forever grateful to Chris Bayly, John Thompson and Eric Stokes for inspiring the former and tolerating the latter. He was Secretary and then President of the College History Society and he also sat at the back end of a boat and shouted at the eight hard-working men in front of him. He returned to Manchester to do a PhD researching in 17th century English social history, his interest-driven work ethic gaining him an MPhil. After a couple of years in academia he joined ICI, then held a senior management role at Newcastle University followed by six years as a partner with Grant Thornton and for the past 21 years a partner in Development Alternatives, a specialist consultancy practice. He was chair of the Society’s north west branch for several years and has been a Society committee general member for eight years, also closely involved with developing the Society’s relationship with the students and personally running several workshops for the College’s undergraduate Careers Society.
THE SOCIETY REUNION 2017

Report of the 89th Annual General Meeting
The Society President, Professor Sir John Baker (Fellow 1971), took the Chair on 23 September 2017 with about 40 members in attendance and welcomed them to the 89th Annual General Meeting of the Society.

The Minutes of the 88th meeting were approved nem con: Proposer Lester Hillman (1970), seconder Professor Stephen Mennell (1963).

Elections
In the elections each of the following members was proposed and seconded; and then either confirmed in, or elected to, or re-elected to Committee membership nem con: Keith Cocker (1972) as President, having been elected the previous year; Professor John Moverley (1968) as President-Elect; Dr John Wells (1976) as Chair; David Peace (1966, Fellow Commoner 2014) as Secretary; Dr John Little (1972, Fellow 1980) as Treasurer; Carrie Whitwell (1983) and the Revd Dr David Neaum (Fellow 2013) as ordinary members.

Officers’ Reports
President’s Annual Report: Professor Sir John Baker reminded members of the pleasure that we all have in gathering together in Cambridge and elsewhere to meet old friends from the College and he noted the Society’s contribution to that, highlighting especially the work of the Branches a number of which he had visited during his year in office. We all recognised, he said, the need to attract younger members to attend our events and to volunteer to help to manage the Society itself; and active thought was being given to that. Sir John then summarised our major expenditure – grants to students – and he drew members’ attention to our refreshed website and to the Magazine produced by the Society, the best in Cambridge, while thanking the College for funding the printing and distribution. He reported with sadness the deaths during the year of two former Presidents; he thanked the Society’s Officers for their hard work; he thanked those departing from the Committee; and finally he welcomed Keith Cocker as the new President.

Treasurer’s Report: Dr Little, Society Treasurer, reported that the year had been transitional. Following a request for guidance, HMRC had said that on balance we should be liable for tax because a small part of our expenditure was dedicated to funding alumni activities rather than supporting the College, a charity. No retrospective action was needed; HMRC recognised the Society had followed good advice in the past. Stanhope Capital, fund managers used by the College, had been approached and had offered to manage our funds and to keep their charges to a low level. They were made aware of our need for a 3% return so that we could meet our expected level of grants to students, and so we had transferred £300,000 to Stanhope, which then lodged it with the Royal Bank of Canada (Channel Islands) Limited (RBC) who now hold our assets. The outstanding £20,000 was retained by the Society to be able to meet its cash demands when awarding grants to our students. The wealth management arm of the RBC now reports to the Society through the Society Treasurer almost on a weekly basis, as Stanhope slowly builds up our portfolio. We would be subject to corporation tax, which would appear in next year’s accounts, but we had made an appropriate deduction to allow for that. Some payments for 2015–6 events (internship grants and a sports day) had occurred during this financial year, explaining apparent increases; but they would naturally even out in next year’s accounts. The final balance carried forward was similar to that of 2016 and the overall picture was that, despite the change in investment, the General Funds had remained stable. As the portfolio became fully established we hoped to generate sufficient income in future years to maintain our support for students. There were no questions and the accounts were approved nem con: Proposer Professor Stephen Mennell (1963), seconder Bill Schardt (1968).
**Editor’s Report:** The Magazine Editor reported the sad news that his predecessor Revd John Mullett (1943, Fellow Commoner) had passed away. He said that there had been some positive feedback to the full set of Magazines from 1927 being available online – one alumnus said that it was a ‘wonderful resource’. The Editor regretted that an incorrect matriculation list and photograph had been printed in the 2016 edition; the online version had been corrected and the 2017 edition would contain matriculation lists and photographs for Michaelmas 2015 and 2016. It had been thought that the unsolicited communications section of the General Data Protection Regulation Act (which comes into force in 2018) would necessitate every alumnus taking positive action (ticking a box online or returning a form) in order to continue receiving the Magazine. However, lawyers for the University have opined that the ‘positive action’ of joining a college is sufficient; members would expect to receive regular communications as a result. Finally the Editor thanked Chris Thorne for liaison with students, and the Librarian for organising the book reviews.

**Alumni Relations and Development:** The Development Director, Deborah Loveluck, summarised the alumni events organised by the College during the year, mentioning also that the Master had had a busy first year, attending events in College, London, Singapore, Hong Kong and New York; and next year he was scheduled to speak at Society branches including Wessex, London and Scotland. The Master and Fellows were working on the outline of a new Fundraising Campaign, with priorities including building the endowment and restoring, refurbishing and adding to our estate. The year’s total donations had been £3million made up from gifts and legacies. Finally she was pleased to announce that Catriona Wilson would be moving from the ADO office to become the Master’s Executive Secretary. A full account is available in the College Report section of this Magazine.

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### Accounts for the year to 30 June 2017

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The Reunion Seminar
Dr John Thompson’s talk The Appeal of ‘America First’ attracted an audience of some 60 members and guests and very much fulfilled our expectations, being both erudite and stimulating in content, and lively in debate. Speaking as a historian Dr Thompson recalled that America First had been the name of an organisation formed in 1940 to oppose US aid to the Allies fighting Nazi Germany. Its spokesmen argued that the traditional policy of non-intervention, hallowed by the Founding Fathers, was still justified by the nation’s geographical security and self-sufficiency. Nonetheless, the United States did become involved in the Second World War, as it had been in the First. After Pearl Harbor, a consensus was created that the United States should take the lead in establishing an international order that would forestall major wars. Because this policy reflected a broad view of American interests rather than a narrow one and involved extensive and expensive commitments, it has always been vulnerable to more nationalist attacks, like Donald Trump’s. Dr Thompson suggested that these had particular appeal at a time when the margin of American economic pre-eminence was declining. In the discussion that followed, members raised questions ranging from a comparison between Theodore Roosevelt and Trump to the economic and perceived political power of huge US corporations such as Google and Apple. The presence in the audience of a vociferous Trump supporter (wearing a Trump tee-shirt!) added to the liveliness of the debate.

Exhibition
During the Reunion Weekend the College Librarian, Colin Higgins, provided members with an exhibition in the OCR from the College’s Library and Archives. Entitled Cambridge in America, America in Cambridge the items portrayed the rich, deep, and lasting connections between Cambridge and what is now the United States since at least the seventeenth century as reflected in the antiquarian collections in the College’s possession, containing many publications, maps, and manuscript documents describing the history, geography, politics and literature of America over the past 400 years, and where members of St Catharine’s have made valuable contributions.
Evensong
The College Chapel, unchanged, glowing in candlelight, and with pews filled by members and guests of all vintages, welcomed us to another splendid Society Reunion Evensong, this year with an extra ingredient: Dr Wickham, the Music Director, had invited members themselves to volunteer to join the ensemble of students and girls, had rehearsed them earlier in the day, and had produced a first-class choir. The Revd Dr David Neaum, College Chaplain, led us through the centuries-old order of service with its prayers, responses, psalms, lessons, canticles, anthems and hymns; and all present participated fully, and often lustily, ending with the final joyous hymn *Holy, holy, holy!* following which we sat and enjoyed the organist’s rousing voluntary. Thus inspired we moved out into Main Court on a fine September evening and proceeded to the McGrath Centre for further enrichment.

Annual Dinner 2017
Assembling for our pre-Dinner Reception in the McGrath Centre, some 130 of us enjoyed liquids, canapés and great conviviality until we were called to order and dutifully filed through to find our places in Hall. The Society President, Professor Sir John Baker, then said the College Grace and we were launched into an evening of excellent food, high quality wines and an ever-increasing volume of amicable and humorous conversation until after dessert the gong was sounded and the President proposed the Loyal Toast. Sir John then addressed the gathering as our outgoing President.

Welcoming all members and guests, and particularly the Master and Lady Welland who were attending their first Society Reunion, he referred to his AGM Report given earlier in the day where he had summarised the Society’s record during the year, together with his own experiences and other observations – for a full account see the President’s Report earlier in this section of the Magazine. He had also, he said, been looking into the early history of the Society the first meeting of which, in a London restaurant in 1923, had been attended by 51 people of whom over a quarter were in Holy Orders. The Society had developed steadily over the years, redefining the Presidency, compiling a register of members, publishing a Magazine, funding grants to students, establishing regional branches, and undertaking the College’s major Quincentenary Appeal, a highly successful fund-raising project. With that perspective, Sir John noted that we were only six years away from our own Society centenary, which perhaps should be marked in a special way. Continuing the historical theme he mentioned his own early – and elderly – acquaintances in College some of whose even older colleagues had been Fellows in the 1870s. Further, recent maintenance work had uncovered old College foundations under Main Court which might indicate that some of Woodlark’s original college is still buried there. Summarising, the President reminded us that our ancient College binds everyone together across the generations and that membership is a privilege of immense value. And with that in mind he asked us to rise to toast The College.

The Master, Professor Sir Mark Welland, then addressed members and summarised significant events of the past year. Academic results had been mixed but, significantly, undergraduate applications were up by 15% for the 2017 entry, an increase to which no other College came close and which bode well for academic results in a few years’ time. There had been singular sporting successes with the victorious rugby Blues Captain, Daniel Dass, a Catz member. At the Oxford-Cambridge Athletics he had been delighted to watch Rebecca Moore win by a country mile in the 5000m. Perhaps unknown compared to other Cambridge tables, there is a table that compares college sporting success based on the number of Blues (2 points) and half-Blues (1 point) normalised to student numbers – and St Catharine’s was the very clear winner. On the strength of our sporting success he had established an annual Blues dinner to celebrate all that our students do; the second would take place in Lent Term 2018.

Moving to other topics Sir Mark described one of the most notable happenings during the year:
Dr Jenni Sidey, a Lecturer in Engineering and St Catharine’s fellow, was chosen as one of two Canadian astronauts for the space station. She was now in training in Houston but would remain a fellow of the College; and he suggested, to laughter, that we might open a Galactic Branch. The Master then advised that the College was starting a new strategic phase in its development, with emphasis on the students, the estate and of course excellence; and this met with great approval by those present. He stated that he and his family had been delighted to move into the Lodge in April and were much enjoying being part of College life and entertaining undergraduates, postgraduates, fellows and members as well as distinguished guests in the renovated Lodge. He was especially looking forward to working with the Society during his tenure as 39th Master of St Catharine’s, and to that end he then asked members and guests to stand and raise their glasses as he proposed a toast to The Society.

Professor Sir John Baker, outgoing Society President, then handed the emblem of office to Keith Cocker, wishing him much pleasure as Society President in the year ahead.

Shortly afterwards members were invited to adjourn for further refreshments in the College Bar, where the South Side Jazz Band was to play until curfew at 12.00.

Notes

- **The full texts** of Dr Thompson’s talk The Appeal of ‘America First’ and of Professor Sir John Baker’s dinner speech can be found in the 2017 Reunion section of the Society website:
  www.society.caths.cam.ac.uk
- **The Society Charity**: We are pleased to announce that during the Reunion members contributed £379 to Addenbrooke’s Paediatric Oncology Unit.
- This report and others in the Society Section are by David Peace (1966, Fellow Commoner 2014), Society Secretary, unless otherwise indicated.

**SOCIETY AWARDS**

Each year the Society does what it can from its accumulated funds to help students with special financial needs. We make sure that we do not duplicate funding available from other sources – from the College or from the University for example – and so we currently offer grants in the following areas, with each annual sum shared between eligible students or groups:

- **The Music Tuition Fund**, for those not reading Music as a degree subject: up to £1,000 per year available.
- **The Performing Arts Fund**, for students wanting to improve their personal skills in theatre, dance etc. (but not for funding specific productions): up to £1,000 per year available.
- **The Travel Grants Fund**, for College Clubs and Societies to support UK and overseas tours; priority given to applicants who will link up with alumni in the areas visited: up to £2,000 per year available.
- **The Old Members’ Sports Fund**, for extra or unusual expenditure for students chosen to represent the College or University at any competitive sport: up to £4,000 per year available.
- **The Internship Bursaries Fund**, for students already in receipt of Cambridge bursaries and who have acquired a Long Vacation work experience project, unpaid, with an approved not-for-profit organisation (charity, media, arts, heritage, etc.): each bursary limited to £500; approval only after the results of other funding applications are known; 50% of grant paid in advance and 50% after a report at the end of the project. This year the College again generously offered to match Society Internship awards, and so students could in effect receive a maximum of £1,000 each if approved.
During 2016–7 the Society, through its award panels consisting of Society and College Officers, was pleased to make:

- five awards totalling £1,635 for tuition in clarinet, piano, organ and trumpet, theatrical skills and music conducting.
- eleven awards totalling £4,275 for work experience/internships in: business development, materials research, nerve regeneration, atomic physics, monkey sanctuary service, organic chemistry, a charity in Nepal, biometric catalysis, sustainable development, a protected areas programme, and rotary engine design.
- 70 awards totalling £4,925 to individuals to help with sports activities – American football, athletics, badminton, boxing, cheerleading, cricket, cross country, cycling, diving, fell running, fencing, golf, hockey, horse racing, pole vault, rowing, rugby, running, sailing, shooting, squash, taekwondo, tennis, triathlon, volleyball and water polo.

ACHESON-GRAY DAY

The 2017 Acheson-Gray Day in June was a huge success. The sun was shining during the nine competitive, but good-natured, matches played between the alumni and current students. Women’s Rugby made its appearance for the first time, and contributed its part in restricting the alumni’s overall victory to six wins out of the nine.

Alumni victories were in Cricket (by 36 runs), Men’s Hockey (3–0), Women’s Hockey (3–2), Lawn Tennis (6 matches to 3), Mixed Netball (13–7) and Men’s Rugby. The students won Men’s Soccer (just) and drew the Women’s Rugby. The Women’s Soccer result remains a mystery.

Although the overall result was a bit one-sided, both teams cooperated in devouring the large buffet lunch provided by the College’s catering department. Hundreds of sandwiches, cold meat platters and potato salads were distributed to hungry players. There was also a cake sale and, new this year, a face painting stall run by the Student Minds Society. Thanks go to Kate Merry in assisting to provide this lunch and Mel Craig for running the face painting stall. Lunch was provided out of a generous benefaction, but customers were able to make a donation which resulted in raising £441 for the Senior Tutor’s Counselling Fund, to continue to provide support for students. This was in line with the ethos of the day, which was founded in memory of Charles Acheson-Gray, a popular sportsman as an undergraduate of St Catharine’s, but who suffered from depression.

All participants were welcomed in the evening for a dinner in the Hall, with speeches from John Oakes, Ella Benson (Sports & Societies Officer), Kate Merry (Charities Officer), Anna Faulkner and Molly Buxton (Alleycatz co-Presidents), and the Dean. The dinner culminated in the singing of Dudley Robinson’s favourite Jerusalem in the SCR, accompanied by the Senior Organ Scholar operating at full blast in the Chapel next door. The evening came to a close after a visit to the College bar and then ‘Spoons by both undergraduates and alumni. This was another successful Acheson-Gray Day, and we look forward to next year.

Thanks must go to the College groundsman, Chris Tovey, for producing pitches of a perfect standard. Further thanks go to the Dean, Dr John Xeureb, for helping to ensure that Acheson-Gray retains a permanent spot in the College calendar. Finally, thanks go to the Alumni and Development Office who assisted in coordinating and inviting alumni.

Ella Benson (2016)
THE SOCIETY BOX AT LORD’S, 23 JUNE

With this very popular day again embarrassingly over-subscribed, the lucky 36 of us congregated in our private Society Suite in the Tavern Stand for the one-day 50-over Varsity Matches. With perfect weather and the stimulation of Society chums and guests from a wide range of backgrounds and vintages, plus a pretty good selection of drinks of various strengths served by staff in our own box, all looked set for a thoroughly enjoyable day. And so it proved, with the Oxford men batting first and attaining a challenging score of 264 in its 50 overs. After lunch our own lads wielded the willow and crept to nigh on the winning score until, in the final over, our last man left the pitch with a shortfall of just 9 to draw, 10 to win. Our women were all out for 229 and then Oxford made it to 230 for 3. Though both matches were, in different ways, nail-biting and ultimately disappointing for us, this was one of the most exciting and dramatic of our Society’s events at Lord’s over the years, and we all left with memories of a great day and a determination to put the record straight next year.

SOCIETY PRESIDENTS’ DINNER

Our sixth Society Presidents’ Dinner, sadly aborted last year due to diary clashes, was enthusiastically resumed this year on 16 June in the Edward VII Room of the Oxford and Cambridge Club, London. Those attending included our current President Professor Sir John Baker (1971, Fellow), Guy Beringer (1973, President 2015), Lord (John) Horam (1957, President 2014), Professor Dame Jean Thomas (Master 2007–16, President 2013), Tony Watts (1960, President 2012), David Peace (1966, President 2010), John Oakes (1961, President 2007), Donald Broom (1961, President 2005), Brian Woodham (1961, President 2006), Brian Sweeney (1963, President 1997), and Keith Cocker 1972, President-Elect. Standing in silence before dinner we honoured the memory of our two friends and former Presidents who had passed away since our last meal: Professor Reavley Gair (1959, President 2011) and Roy Chapman (1955, President 1994). The Dinner proved to be its normal convivial experience, providing everyone with the opportunity to reflect and expand on College and Society matters with different perspectives that benefitted from the wide range of years and experiences of College, of the Society and of Life; and almost inevitably it included a hearty debate on the merits or otherwise of Brexit, to which Lord Horam gave particular insights. We were very grateful to Keith Cocker for arranging such a successful evening – the Secretary having failed the previous year! – and we hope that he will take up the reins on our behalf for the next few years also.

BRANCH REPORTS

East Anglia Branch

The Greek Play at the Arts Theatre in Cambridge takes place every three years and a party of 20 attended in October, having had a light lunch in College beforehand. The play is in Greek but with subtitles in English. A lot of school parties attend this event as well. The production was very lively, almost slapstick in parts for the second play, probably in the spirit of the original productions.

In November the branch organised a visit to Glyndebourne on tour in Norwich for the past few years and this year a party of 34 went to the superb production of Madame Butterfly, meeting for a meal in a restaurant before the show.
In January Professor Martin led another memorable wine tasting, the subject being *The wines of Spain: beyond Sherry and Rioja*. 22 were able to attend this event in the Ramsden room.

Our AGM was held in College in April and this year we had an excellent talk from Colin Higgins, College Librarian, on the John Addenbrooke collection of books and also his ‘chest of interesting objects’ which he left to the College when he died in 1719. It was 50 years before the College was able to carry out his wish to spend his legacy on founding a hospital in the town in 1766. [See article later in this Magazine. Ed.]

The branch visited RAF Cranwell in May – a splendid opportunity to see this iconic building and hear about its history. It was not a target during WWII as Goering wanted his air force to be based there! Goering’s bust is still in Cranwell library, donated to the college during a goodwill visit in 1936. There are also two museums associated with this site. Our party was 21 persons.

Also in May Dr Abigail Brundin (Fellow 2000) kindly offered to show a party around the Fitzwilliam Museum exhibition *Madonnas and Miracles* which she had helped to create.

Finally, a visit to Stamford took place in August – a guided tour of the town and then attendance at *Much Ado about Nothing* at Tolethorpe in the afternoon.

Jonathan Dossetor (1962) (society.eastanglia.chair@caths.cam.ac.uk)

**Ireland Branch**

The second Annual Dinner for Catzpeople living in Ireland north or south, and their guests, was held in October 2016 at Deanes Restaurant, Belfast. The guest of honour was Sir John Baker, Downing Professor Emeritus of the Laws of England, Fellow Emeritus of the College and President of the St Catharine’s College Society, 2016–7. In the afternoon, at the invitation of Sir Mark Horner (1975), Sir John also gave a lecture to Northern Ireland judges.

Stephen Mennell (1963) (society.ireland.chair@caths.cam.ac.uk)

**London Branch**

Our 2016 Annual Dinner was held in November in a private room at the Amba Hotel Charing Cross, where members and guests enjoyed an engrossing talk by Sir John Grant (1973), former UK ambassador to the European Union, on the aftermath of the referendum on EU membership held earlier that year. Sir John’s talk was followed by a lively exchange of questions and answers. It was a pleasure to welcome as guest of honour Professor Dame Jean Thomas (2007), the evening concluding with a presentation to her of a framed print of the College to mark her retirement as Master and in appreciation of her support of the Society.

In December we had a private tour of Spencer House, London’s finest surviving eighteenth-century town house (see photo, right, taken from Green Park). On display was Benjamin West’s intriguing painting *Milkmaids in St James’s Park, Westminster Abbey Beyond* (c. 1801), then on loan from the Yale Center for British Art.

In January we joined a group tour of Lambeth Palace, London residence of the Archbishop of Canterbury. In February we had a private tour of the premises of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) in Portland Place, including an opportunity to inspect highlights from the library’s collections.
In May we were fortunate to secure a private tour of Lancaster House. Donated to the nation in 1913 by soap magnate Sir William Lever (later Viscount Leverhulme) and now a government-run conference centre, this building’s opulent interiors feature not only the finest staircase but also one of the largest rooms in London.

Our weekday evening visits to Shakespeare’s Globe are perennially popular with members and guests. This year we saw *Romeo and Juliet* in June and *King Lear* in August. Lester Hillman (1970) kindly agreed to take us on one of his legendary guided walking tours in August, escorting us from Angel to Smithfield. So oversubscribed was this walk that he led it again a week later. More group photos taken at a number of these events can be viewed on the London Branch page of the Society’s website.

Midlands Branch
About 30 members attended the 2017 event at Compton Verney in Warwickshire in March. It proved to be an excellent venue and we were fortunate that the sun shone that day. Compton Verney is a splendidly restored Georgian mansion house that comprises five remarkable art galleries. After a welcoming cup of coffee and an introduction to the house and the grounds, we had plenty of time to look around before gathering for an excellent lunch in the fine Adam Room. Our after-dinner speaker was Sir John Baker, our Society’s President, who gave us an interesting and amusing account of College life and likely future developments. A good day was had by all. A card was signed by everyone to be sent to our past Chairman, John Moverley, thanking him for his work in running the branch over many years.

Northern Branch
This year has been overshadowed by the sudden and completely unexpected death of Professor Reavley Gair, who had served as our branch chairman for many years and was a former President of the Society. Most of our active members attended the funeral, which was on 26 May at St Augustin’s, North Shields. Reavley was a lovely man with a considerable range of interests and talents. He was an Anglican lay reader, and a former magistrate. He was also active in amateur theatricals and lectured to local groups on historical topics. He was skilled in woodwork and once constructed a house for himself in Canada.

In July, Ian Evans (1961) led a small group of us on a walk from Marsden (near South Shields) to Whitburn for a pub lunch, and then back to Marsden. Ian is a geomorphologist and was able to point out several interesting features of this heavily eroded section of coast.

North West Branch
The Branch has had a fallow year but events are planned for 2017–8 so members should check our webpage for updates. Members are always welcome at events organised by other branches.
Scotland Branch
The Scottish Branch held an event in March (2017) at which Michael Romer (1966), a fellow alumnus, spoke to us about *Fifty Years of Change in the Wine Trade*. Michael had recently retired as a longstanding wine merchant in Marchmont in Edinburgh where he had been renowned for his extensive selection of wine and unusual options, as well as friendly and discerning service to customers. He gave an interesting and entertaining account of how the wine trade has evolved over the years. The evening started with a drinks reception and, following the Lecture, the majority of members enjoyed a convivial dinner at the Royal Overseas League.

David Wood (1980) (society.scotland.chair@caths.cam.ac.uk)

South West Branch
The Branch has had a fallow year but events are planned for 2017–8 so members should check our webpage for updates. Members are always welcome at events organised by other branches.

David Sanders (1969) (society.southwest.chair@caths.cam.ac.uk)

Wales Branch
We currently seek a Chair! Anyone who lives in Wales and would be interested in organising one or more events a year, with membership of and full help from the central Committee should contact the Society Secretary David Peace (society.secretary@caths.cam.ac.uk).

Wessex Branch
In June the branch held a lunch at Esseborne Manor, near Andover, the speaker being the Society’s President, Professor Sir John Baker, Honorary Fellow and Downing Professor Emeritus of the Laws of England. The title of his talk was *Magna Carta, Brexit and the Supreme Court* and was legal rather than political. Sir John spoke of the legal background to decisions already made and about some which would have to be made in the future. He clarified a number of complex issues and left the meeting much better informed on the legal background to Brexit.

A visit to a recovery centre of Help for Heroes took place in March, when members and friends visited Tedworth House in Tidworth. It is one of four recovery centres run by Help for Heroes, which supports those with injuries and illnesses sustained while serving in the British Armed Forces.

After light refreshments there was a talk about the charity and the Centre, where a large number of one or two weekly courses are run covering sports and an amazing range of other interests including gardening and bee keeping. Accommodation is provided in en suite single rooms and there are four family suites. Support continues after people have left the centre. After the talk we visited parts of the original Tedworth House, the large gardens and one of the family rooms. We also saw the gym, ski slope and the only basketball court designed for playing at floor level.

In October Esseborne Manor provided its usual colourful autumnal setting and a splendid Sunday lunch where our speaker was James Wright (Fellow 1978). Initially Bursar and Director of Studies in Classics until 1986, from 1987 to 1991 he was a Professorial Fellow while Secretary-General of the Faculties in the University of Cambridge, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Newcastle upon Tyne from 1992 to 2000, and currently an Honorary Fellow of the College. Who could be better qualified to give a talk on *Management of Academics*? The talk was of great interest to everyone and the academics of the Branch were even seen to be taking notes!

Clive Brunswick (1953) (society.wessex.chair@caths.cam.ac.uk)
Yorkshire-Humberside Branch
We currently seek a Chair! Anyone who lives in the Yorkshire-Humberside area and would be interested in organising one or more events a year, with membership of and full help from the central Committee should contact the Society Secretary David Peace (society.secretary@caths.cam.ac.uk).

Our men in Tokyo
Five alumni enjoyed a meal in Toranomon in February in honour of Professor Stefan Marciniak’s visit to Tokyo In addition to meeting Stefan, we were also presented with a College pin badge each which was a generous treat.


As you might expect there was a wide range of topics discussed, from Japanese football to physiological effects of the change in pressure as you ascend SkyTree, from first-hand accounts about recent College activities to stories of princesses climbing over the College wall from a different decade.

It was great to connect with other alumni and I am sure I am not the only one looking forward to meeting more alumni at the next event.

Andrew McLeod (1988)

HONOURS AND AWARDS

Professor Haro Bedelian (1961, Honorary Fellow 2010) was promoted from OBE to CBE in the 2017 Queen’s Birthday Honours for services to Engineering and International Trade.

Peter Bolgar (2013) from Hungary, a PhD student in Chemistry, has received a Vice-Chancellor’s award from the Cambridge Trust* and an even more prestigious Herchell-Smith Scholarship.

Professor Sir Cyril Chantler (1957), Emeritus Professor at Guy’s, King’s and St Thomas’s Medical School, was awarded a GBE (Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the British Empire) in the 2017 New Year Honours for services to Leadership in Healthcare.

Rona Fairhead (née Haig 1980, Honorary Fellow 2012) has been appointed an international trade minister with an associated life peerage.

Dr Jonathan Gair (1995, Fellow 2004–15) has been awarded a President’s Medal by the Royal Society of Edinburgh for his significant contributions to the development of data analysis techniques for the detection of gravitational waves. He was presented with the award by RSE President Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell. The citation reads ‘For contributions to the development of the methods used to estimate the rates of black hole binary coalescences based on the observed events’.
**James Gosling (1974)**, Solicitor and Partner, Holman Fenwick Willan LLP, was awarded an OBE in the 2017 New Year Honours for services to the Legal Profession and Maritime Hostages. This particularly recognises the work he has done to secure the release of Somalian pirate hostages.

**Roger Harrabin (1973)**, the BBC’s Environment Correspondent, has been awarded an Honorary PhD by Cranfield University’s School of Energy, Water and Environment.

**Edmund Hosker (1976)**, lately Director (International Energy, EU and Resilience) at the Department of Energy and Climate Change, was awarded a CBE in the 2017 New Year Honours for services to Energy Policy.

**Professor Emily Jackson (Fellow 1991–3)**, Professor of Law at the London School of Economics, was awarded an OBE in the 2017 Queen’s Birthday Honours for services to Higher Education.

**Ben Jaffey (1995)** of Blackstone Chambers was appointed Queen’s Counsel in January 2017.

**Erika Lu (2017)** from the USA, who will join the College next year as a PhD student in Engineering, has been awarded an International Scholarship by the Cambridge Trust*.

**Tom Mayberry (1975)**, Chief Executive Officer of the South West Heritage Trust, was awarded an MBE in the 2017 Queen’s Birthday Honours for services to Heritage.

**Professor Nick Morrell (Fellow 2013)** has received a Vice-Chancellor’s Impact Award for his work investigating genetics and pulmonary arterial hypertension. His research has identified new ways to treat the disease, the most promising of which is being commercialised through a Cambridge University spin-out biotech company.

**George Nash (2008)** was awarded an MBE in the 2017 New Year Honours for services to Rowing. See also News of Members in this Magazine.

**Professor John Pyle (Fellow 1986)**, Professor of Chemistry and Head of the Department of Chemistry at Cambridge, was awarded a CBE in the 2017 New Year Honours for services to Atmospheric Chemistry and Environmental Science.

**Antanas Radzevicius (2013)** from Lithuania, a PhD student in Chemistry, has received a Vice-Chancellor’s Award from the Cambridge Trust*.

**Fotios Sampaziotis (2014)**, a PhD student in Medicine, was awarded the 2017 Scientific Medawar Medal by the Transplantation Society for his work growing tissue on bioengineered scaffolds for transplantation.

**Dr Jenni Sidey (Fellow 2016)** won the 2016 Young Woman Engineer of the Year award from the Institution of Engineering and Technology. Then, in 2017, she was a winner in the even more prestigious Royal Academy of Engineering Young Engineer of the Year competition – five prizes are presented to early career engineers whose achievements are recognised as outstanding. See also the front cover and item in the College Report.

* The aim of the Vice-Chancellor’s Awards and Cambridge International Scholarships is to ensure that the 250 highest ranked students, irrespective of nationality, receive full financial support to undertake research leading to a PhD.
Cambridge University promotions

Dr Amira [Katherine] Bennison (1985), fellow of Magdalene College Cambridge and Reader in the History & Culture of the Maghrib, has been promoted to a Professorship. She is the first woman professor in the Faculty of Asian & Middle-Eastern Studies. Professor Hans van de Ven (Fellow 1988) notes that she was the first student for which he directed studies when he arrived in Cambridge.

Dr Lucy Delap (Fellow 2007–13), fellow of Murray Edwards College, has been appointed to a Readership in History.

Dr Richard Harrison (Fellow 2007) has been promoted to a Professorship in the Department of Earth Sciences.

Dr Hazem Kandil (Fellow 2012) has been appointed to a Readership in the Department of Sociology.

Dr Michael Sutcliffe (Fellow 1993) has been promoted to a Professorship in the Department of Engineering.

PUBLICATIONS

Recent publications by or about College Members, donated to the College Library

- **Boyd, Charles** [i.e. **Chandra Senratne**] (1954). *The Joy of Sharing: Where Did We Come from? Why Are We Here? Where Do We Go from Here?* [Place of publication not identified]: Charles Boyd, 2014 (129.4)
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**SELECTED REVIEWS**

**A Companion to Vittoria Colonna**
Abigail Brundin, Tatiana Crivelli and Maria Serena Sapegno, eds. Brill, 2016

Engaged at the age of seven in order to cement an alliance with Naples, Vittoria Colonna (1409–1547) had her life cut out for her at an early age. And yet, there is nothing usual about the life that Colonna decided to live. A poet in her own right, she rethought Petrarchism, accommodating his poetry to female subjectivity, and created a new model for spiritual verse. Intruding further into male-dominated areas, Colonna braved open confrontation with Papal Rome, and engaged herself deeply in the discussion of religious reform within the Catholic Church.

With its fan of interdisciplinary approaches to Colonna’s life, work, representation, and reception in word and paint, *A Companion to Vittoria Colonna* is an impressive comprehensive handbook for students and scholars alike. Throughout the Companion’s rereadings and reappraisals of Colonna, the need for a new edition of her poetry and prose is repeated. Hopefully, this task will be taken up soon, and when it is, this volume will indeed be an indispensable companion.

**The Flash of Weathercocks: New and Collected Poems**
Glen Cavaliero
Matador, 2016

*The Flash of Weathercocks* collates fifty years of Glen Cavaliero’s poetic work, as it also makes evident the influences of other aspects of his career on his poetry: his training at Lincoln Theological College and his critical work on supernatural fiction. This collection often scrutinises...
numinous moments fragiley poised between belief and doubt; poems are by turns optimistic and unsettled. ‘Bexhill-Sur-Mer,’ for example, interrogates the ‘balm of mystery,’ the dual impetus to ‘grieve and wonder,’ and sticks at the impasse that something might have ‘meant nothing and yet everything.’ Cavaliero has an eye for the arcane, and these poems are nostalgic for an England past – ‘old empty cloisters’ (‘Dismissal’) and ‘the slumberous haze of afternoon’ (‘By Command’). The final poem ends hoping ‘the particular clear syllables of love / might kindle, through your accurate deciphering, / a steady flame upon my wintering hearth.’

We might mistake ‘hearth’ for ‘heart,’ and appropriately so: these two competing sites of love and domesticity, both entangled with the trope of fire, seem an appropriate point at which The Flash of Weathercocks self-extinguishes; its poems small footholds of refuge against the vicissitudes of modernity.

Who Needs the Old Testament?: Its Enduring appeal and Why the New Atheists Don’t Get It

Katharine Dell
SPCK, 2017

Dr Dell decided to write this book after picking up a copy of one of Richard Dawkins’ diatribes from her local supermarket. Perhaps the fact that it had reached this level of popularity was the final straw. Sitting down to read it, the thing that she found most objectionable was misrepresentation and misunderstanding of the Old Testament, and the mischaracterisation of God that ensued. She picked up her pen in protest. The book has two parts. The first aims to break the spell cast by the high priests of New Atheism by putting their claims about the Old Testament in context. The second provides a counterbalance, not merely looking at the difficult parts of the Old Testament, but at its richness and multifaceted nature, particularly those passages that aren’t engaged with by the unremittingly negative focus of the New Atheists. Dell weaves contemporary Biblical scholarship, historical and archaeological research, and theology together in a rich yet accessible book that provides a good introduction to the Old Testament with an eye to meeting the criticism of its detractors.

Energy and Resource Efficiency Without the Tears

Niall Enright
Manchester, 2017

Energy and Resource Efficiency Without the Tears is a comprehensive guide to improving energy efficiency within organizations. It is a practical manual, focusing on solutions and opportunities. Drawing on over twenty years experience of working as a consultant with hundreds of organizations, both large and small, the author brings a clear, business-like focus to his subject. His knowledge is extensive, and his solutions
expedient. At over 800 pages, the book offers a mammoth printed guide, but is also available as a free, downloadable PDF (http://www.sustainsuccess.co.uk/iwik). Both versions are accompanied by an extensive set of companion files, which include sample spreadsheets, business case models and a set of tools to help profile energy saving across a range of organizations.

The Power Triangle: Military, Security, and Politics in Regime Change
Hazem Kandil
Oxford, 2016
Hazem Kandil’s new book is a comparative study of revolution and regime in Turkey, Egypt, and Iran during the twentieth century. Following a ‘realist’ paradigm, Kandil’s understanding of revolution is not based on the violent social upheaval of the masses but on the ‘power triangle,’ the interaction and competition of three institutional pillars – the military, security apparatus, and political elites – that participate in the exercise of rule. Dedicating five richly sourced chapters to each country, regime change is not conceived as one historical event, but rather as an ongoing competition for opportunities, resources, and influence within the contextually different power triangles. This ambitious book draws on different traditions of interpretive analysis, including the structural analysis of the causes of revolution, theories of domination, and historical sociology. It provides an important contribution to understanding the volatile nature of regime change in these Middle Eastern nations who might not yet have seen the final chapter in the revolutionary cycle.

Large Animals and Wide Horizons: The Autobiography of Richard Laws
Richard M. Laws, edited by Arnoldus Schytte Blix
Janus, 2017
Richard Maitland Laws was a prolific diarist, using pen then word processor. His friend, Professor Blix, has gathered together these works of a lifetime, to produce this edited autobiography of fifty-five chapters. Laws excelled at school, becoming an accomplished artist, and gaining a scholarship to St Catharine’s College, where he achieved a first in Zoology. He met large animals in the Falklands, Antarctica and Uganda, his work eventually leading him to the directorship of the British Antarctic Survey. It was Laws who phoned No. 10 in April 1982 to tell of the invasion of South Georgia. As Master of St Edmund’s between 1985 and 1996, he steered the College toward full collegiate status, increased its student intake fourfold, and attracted money with which to build. His legacy is as wide as it is multifaceted.

Radioactivity and Radiation: What They Are, What They Do, and How to Harness Them
Claus Grupen and Mark Rodgers
Cham, 2016
Nuclear power is one of those discussion topics (like Brexit!) that tends to generate much more heat than light. This book aims to illuminate these discussions by educating readers about radioactivity and radiation. Although organised like a textbook, it has been written in an accessible and engaging manner, with plenty of amusing illustrations providing light relief. After first introducing the key concepts of radioactivity and radiation, the authors consider and compare different sources of radiation, both natural and man-made, allowing the
reader to put these sources into their correct context. The inclusion of historical anecdotes adds interest, and helps us to see the extent to which attitudes have changed; in the 1930s radioactive toothpaste was advertised as ‘massaging the gums and refreshing the whole mouth,’ and radioactive blankets were sold as alternatives to electric blankets! This helpful book is a great resource for anyone who wants to think about the dangers and benefits associated with radioactivity in an informed way.

Shakespeare in Gesture and Performance
Darren Tunstall
Palgrave, 2016

‘Poets like Shakespeare have always understood that metaphors emerging from sensory experience are sticky: that is, they are memorable,’ Darren Tunstall observes in the introduction to his fascinating account of Shakespeare and gesture. Gesture, he argues, ‘as a tool for sharing thought and feeling… aspires to that same social stickiness by appealing to shared physical experience.’ Tunstall explores the historical contexts for gesture; he theorizes the gesture and sets out different ways in which it has been conceived, for example in relation to classical rhetoric, and recent work on cognition. But one of the book’s great strengths is its grounding in Tunstall’s experience as a theatre practitioner and educator, and its use of specific case-studies, focused on actors (Garrick, Siddons, McKellen), auteurs (Stanislavski, Lepage) and productions (by dreamthinkspeak, The Wooster Group/RSC – in which context he particularly discusses the performance of alumnus Scott Handy); he is also interested in the impact of video and digital technologies on performance and its reception. Lively, readable, and accessible, this is a fascinating and valuable addition to the burgeoning literature on performance, which will be of use to actors and audiences as much as critics.

Oxford, 2017

In its fifth edition, and with four new authors alongside Len Sealy and Richard Hooley, Commercial Law: Text, Cases, and Materials confirms its reputation as an all-inclusive account of the law in the field. The book consists of an analytical commentary on key areas of commercial law and of selected extracts from cases and from research contributions. This structure guarantees comprehensiveness and authoritativeness that have deservedly earned the book the double accolade of a leading textbook and casebook. Students and anyone interested in an in-depth overview of commercial law will benefit from the authors’ analysis of the law and of its role in the broader context of commercial activity. This new edition also covers developments made in the last eight years. Peter Turner has authored the chapters on assignment and receivables financing with a clarity and elegance that are familiar to St Catharine’s College members and friends.
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Slack:Taplin  
On 1 April 2017, Ellen Slack (Robinson, 2009) married Michael Taplin (2009) at All Saints Church, Bedworth in Warwickshire. Amongst the bridesmaids was Jenna Pearce (2009). See picture (above).

Winstanley:Brown  

Deaths  
Adshead (1948) On 31 March 2017, John Draper Adshead of Sleaford, Lincolnshire. John came to St Catharine’s from Stockport Grammar School and read Geography followed by PGCE. He played cricket, soccer and hockey for the College. His widow Barbara writes ‘John taught at Southwell Grammar School, but soon applied to the Colonial Overseas Service for a more exciting life. In 1953 he took the Royal Engineers Survey Course and then spent 13 wonderful years in Nigeria, leaving in 1966 as Assistant Surveyor General in charge of Cadastral Surveys and Town Planning. He was awarded an MBE for his service. He then took a Masters in Urban and Regional Planning at Nottingham University and joined HM Planning Inspectorate, eventually becoming the Deputy Chief Inspector. Finally he was appointed Chairman of the London City Airport Consultative Committee and served for 27 years. He loved his time at Cats, particularly surveying the Norfolk Coast with Professor Steers. John’s son David (1979) is an alumnus as was his nephew Matthew Barlow (1988) who died in 1992.


Blakeway Smith (1955) On 23 December 2016, David Gordon Blakeway Smith of Stockton on Tees. David came to St Catharine’s from Chesterfield Grammar School and read Mathematics and Archaeology & Anthropology. After taking a degree in Theology from Manchester University, he worked as a Methodist missionary in Burma jointly with Buddhist monks. In 1964 he and his wife returned to the UK and he became a teacher first in London’s East End, then at Haileybury for 23 years, 16 as Housemaster. In 1990 he moved to Cyprus to help set up an International College bringing together 16/17 year olds from both sides of the island together with others from surrounding Mediterranean countries. He received the Royal Maundy in 2016 (along with 89 others).

Brooks (1952) On 25 March 2017, Edgar Peter Brooks of Wonthaggi, Australia. Peter came to St Catharine’s from the Lewis School, Pengam, Monmouthshire and read Natural Sciences and Medicine. College records indicate that he moved to Australia some years ago where he founded the Bass Coast Community Foundation and was a governor of the local hospital in Wonthaggi.


Challis (1953) On 21 December 2016, Robert James Challis of Benfleet, Essex. Robert came to St Catharine’s from Maldon Grammar School and read Geography, winning a Travel Scholarship in 1954 and a College Scholarship in 1956. The College has no information about his subsequent career.

Child (1957) On 3 January 2017, Christopher Bonus Child of Diss, Norfolk. His daughter Frances Henderson writes ‘Christopher came to St Catharine’s for the Colonial Probationer Course after National Service in the Royal Marines and the King’s African Rifles in Kenya and Uganda. After Cambridge he served as a District Officer.
in Tanganyika before joining the BBC’s African Service in London in 1963. He spent the remainder of his career with the BBC’s African and Arabic Services (being seconded to Beirut and Abu Dhabi offices). In the 1980s he was head of the East African section of the BBC Monitoring Service in Nairobi. He retired from the BBC in 1991 and ran tours for Bales Tours and Bonus Tours:’

Childs (1943) On 16 August 2016, Robert Esson Childs of Richmond, London. Robert came to St Catharine’s from the Leys School, Cambridge, as an RAF cadet on the war-time short course in Science and then returned in 1947 after his war service to read Natural Sciences. The College has no information about his subsequent career.

Chutter (1952) On 5 August 2017, (Francis) Mark Chutter of Richmond, London. Mark came to St Catharine’s with a Masters Chutter (1952) On 5 August 2017, (Francis) Mark Chutter of Richmond, London. Mark came to St Catharine’s with a Masters Sizarship from Michaelhouse, Natal, and read Natural Sciences (Biological). After graduating he took an MSc at Pretoria University and a PhD at Rhodes University, Grahamstown. Mark was one of South Africa’s best known limnologists. He held numerous high offices in scientific bodies such as the South African Society of Aquatic Scientists (SASA), of which he was a Founder Member and President. Mark was awarded a Gold Medal from SASA for his work into the limnology of South African rivers and reservoirs and for the development of a Standard Scoring System (SASS) – an index of water quality based on the invertebrate biodiversity of riverine ecosystems. A blackfly, *Simulium chutteri* was named after him in recognition of his work. Mark’s father Jim Chutter (1924), uncle FW Henderson (1924) and cousin Colin Henderson (1956) were also alumni. Mark was one of South Africa’s best known limnologists. He held numerous high offices in scientific bodies such as the South African Society of Aquatic Scientists (SASA), of which he was a Founder Member and President. Mark was awarded a Gold Medal from SASA for his work into the limnology of South African rivers and reservoirs and for the development of a Standard Scoring System (SASS) – an index of water quality based on the invertebrate biodiversity of riverine ecosystems. A blackfly, *Simulium chutteri* was named after him in recognition of his work. Mark’s father Jim Chutter (1924), uncle FW Henderson (1924) and cousin Colin Henderson (1956) were also alumni.

Collis-Smith (1958) On 28 June 2017, the Revd Charles Philip Collis-Smith of Wem, Shrewsbury. Philip came to St Catharine’s from Newcastle High School and read Theology. He then went to Lichfield Theological College and was ordained in 1964. Following a Curacy at St Thomas, Wednesfield (where he met wife, Janet) he became Priest-in-Charge at St Saviours, Wednesford, then Vicar of High Offley in 1971. Finally he was Rector of Myddle from 1980 until his early retirement in 1992 owing to ill-health, when the family moved to Wem. Philip’s brother John (1952) is also an alumnus.

Coombes (1964) The College has learned of the death of Roger Victor Coombes of Dorking, Surrey. Roger came to St Catharine’s from Glyn Grammar School, Epsom, Surrey, and read Engineering. We have no information about his subsequent career.

Covell (1942) On 7 May 2917, George Anthony Beverley Covell of Sherborne, Dorset. George’s widow Elly says that he was known as Gabby. She writes ‘After leaving Harrow School in 1943 he joined the Navy and spent the war as a torpedo bomber pilot in the Fleet Air Arm; he continued to fly in the Naval Reserve after the war. He gained a place at St Catharine’s to read Mechanical Engineering in 1946 and played rugby throughout his degree; he was awarded a Blue in 1949 playing as a wing forward in a team that contained several international players. He spent the majority of his career as a sales director and ultimately CEO of a publicly-quoted electronic vibration testing equipment company in Sussex called Derritron.’

Croft (1960) On 20 November 2016, William Thomas David Croft of Cirencester. David came to St Catharine’s from Headlands Grammar School, Swindon, and read Mechanical Sciences. His son, alumnus Mark (1989), writes ‘While he was at College my father’s main activity was rowing and he continued that after leaving. He was a member of the second boat which got into the first division – an achievement that I don’t believe has been repeated. He earned four oars during the various bumps he rowed in, and even a prow when coaching a boat. He qualified as a Civil Engineer and moved into the construction industry. He ran his own business successfully up until he retired – which he never really did. He was a prominent member of the Federation of Master Builders (FMB), for 50 years, being Regional President and then National President from 2004–6, and finally President of the European Builders Confederation (EBC) from 2007–8.’

Cross (1949) On 9 May 2017, Eric Cross of New Milton, Hampshire, and Coventry. Eric came to St Catharine’s from Wellingborough School and read English. He was a cox for the Boat Club and was awarded the Bishop Browne Prize for reading in Chapel. As well as being a member of the ADC, he was also President of the Marlowe Society. His daughter Philippa Cross says that Eric went on to be a well-respected teacher of English and Drama whose school productions were highly regarded – as were his ongoing performances in amateur dramatics.

de Candole (1995) On 28 January 2017, Squadron Leader Nicholas James de Candole of Bristol. Nick came to St Catharine’s from Weymouth College and read Natural Sciences. He enlisted in the RAF after graduating and became one of the RAF’s top Typhoon jet pilots. He sadly took his own life following the death of a test pilot who had been a close friend. His widow Gillian has called on the RAF to provide more support under such circumstances; Nick apparently feared that discussing mental problems would affect his career.

to St Catharine’s from Castleford Grammar School and read Geography, winning College Prizes every year and taking a double First. He developed an interest in cartography as a result of studying German maps during his National Service after graduating. In 1953 he became a Lecturer in Geography at Leeds University and researched urban development, collaborating with Alan Godfrey of Durham. He retired in 1989, but continued his research, particularly into 17th century cartographer John Ogilby.

**Dickinson (1944)** The College has learned that Michael Walter Dickinson of Canada has died. Michael came to St Catharine’s from Eastbourne College as a Royal Navy Cadet and took the associated wartime Naval Course. We have no information about his subsequent career.

**Dixon (1967)** On 28 May 2016, Keith Dixon of Brentwood, Essex. Keith came to St Catharine’s from Gateshead Grammar School and read Modern & Medieval Languages. His widow Judith writes ‘Keith was very proud of his College and always spoke fondly of the time spent studying there. After graduating he joined National Westminster Bank before moving to an American Bank. There he pursued a career for many years in international banking, where his language skills were very useful. Following his retirement, Keith was able to devote more time to one of his favourite subjects – family history research. His other interests included music, mediaeval architecture, gardening and sport.’

**Doyle (1963) On 25 April 2017, Terence Anthony Doyle of Barnet. Terry came to St Catharine’s from Alleyne’s Grammar School and read Modern & Medieval Languages. He won a Half-Blue for table tennis. After two postgraduate years (teacher training at Sussex University; Research Centre for Russian Language Methodology, Moscow University), in 1968 he became a Research Assistant at the Centre for Educational Technology at Sussex and then, in 1970, he was appointed a Trainee Director in the BBC’s Foreign Language Department. In 1980 he became Senior Producer responsible for the policy and direction of BBC television foreign languages in primetime. He created many innovative television series, introducing languages, peoples and cultures (French, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish) to British TV audiences. Terry retired to Gardone Riviera, Italy, but returned to North London when he developed Parkinson’s Disease.**

**Edge (1942)** The College has learned of the death in October 2015 of Walter Francis Edge of Hayle, Cornwall. Walter (Wally) came to St Catharine’s from Warwick School and read History followed by PGCE. His studies were interrupted for war service in the Royal Navy, but he returned in 1946 to complete his degree. After Cambridge he taught at the Liverpool Institute (the ‘Inny’) and then for 23 years at Edge Hill, Ormskirk. At Liverpool, his pupils included Paul McCartney and George Harrison. Sir Paul was once asked whom he would otherwise like to have been and he replied ‘Cliff Edge, my history teacher’. Wally (or Cliff!) came originally from Cornwall and moved back there when he retired. The Diamond Wedding of Wally and Rosemary was announced in the 2009 Magazine.

**El Darwish (1952) On 18 January 2017, (Ahmed) Sani El Darwish of Geneva, Switzerland. Sani came to St Catharine’s from Leighton Park School, Reading, and read Mechanical Sciences. Paul Everard (1959) writes ‘St Catharine’s had a firm place in his affections. He had a distinguished career in the World Bank and subsequently as CEO of the Islamic Bank in Geneva.’ His daughter May writes ‘I remember boundless joy and a fountain of laughter; mountain treks with Leki sticks among the pines; a rich, deep baritone between honey and molasses; many, many admonitions to “Stop fiddleassing!”; a warm handshake and a smile to the maître d’ – and then the best table in the restaurant. But most of all I remember a sage, his right hand raised, index finger up, and wisdom delivered with a twinkle of his eye, which I will carry with me the rest of my days. A life well-lived and one he shared with all of us’.**

**Foskett (1959) On 6 July 2017, the Revd Canon John Herbert Foskett of Dorchester. John came to St Catharine’s from Tonbridge School and read Theology. He played rugby and cricket for the College. After graduating he joined Chichester Theological College and was ordained in 1964. He was a curate at St John’s, Old Malden, Surrey, and then Priest-in-Charge at St John’s, Kingston, before becoming Chaplain to the Maudsley and Bethlem Royal Hospitals for war service in the Royal Navy, but he returned in 1946 to complete his degree. After Cambridge he taught at the Liverpool Institute (the ‘Inny’) and then for 23 years at Edge Hill, Ormskirk. At Liverpool, his pupils included Paul McCartney and George Harrison. Sir Paul was once asked whom he would otherwise like to have been and he replied ‘Cliff Edge, my history teacher’. Wally (or Cliff!) came originally from Cornwall and moved back there when he retired. The Diamond Wedding of Wally and Rosemary was announced in the 2009 Magazine.**
in 1976. He retired in 1994. John was made a Canon of Southwark Cathedral in 1988 and in 2004 he received an MA Lambeth degree from the Archbishop of Canterbury for his contributions to mental health, pastoral care and psychiatry. See also News of Members in this Magazine and the Guardian 29 September 2017.

Francke (1950) On 7 March 2017, Donald Max Francke of London. Donald came to St Catharine’s from Harrow School and read Music. Donald was a professional singer (baritone) and an adjudicator at major, world-wide music festivals from 1969. He was the Editor of the Royal College of Music Magazine (1969–74) and sang with Welsh National Opera, Scottish National Opera, Opera North and the Royal Opera, Covent Garden. He had a lead as Old Deuteronomy in the West End Musical Cats 1986–94, went on national tour with Joseph and His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat in 1998 and then took the lead in the West End Musical Phantom of the Opera.

French (1952) On 19 March 2017, David Henry French of Hertford. David came to St Catharine’s from Pocklington School and read Music. Donald was a professional singer (baritone) and an adjudicator at major, world-wide music festivals from 1969. He was the Editor of the Royal College of Music Magazine (1969–74) and sang with Welsh National Opera, Scottish National Opera, Opera North and the Royal Opera, Covent Garden. He had a lead as Old Deuteronomy in the West End Musical Cats 1986–94, went on national tour with Joseph and His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat in 1998 and then took the lead in the West End Musical Phantom of the Opera.

Gair (1959) On 9 May 2017, Professor (William) Reavley Gair of Whitley Bay, Tyneside. Reavley won an Exhibition to St Catharine’s from King’s School, Tynemouth, and read English followed by a PhD. He made his career in Canada and eventually became Professor of English and Director of the Teaching Centre at the University of New Brunswick. Reavley returned to the UK when he retired and was active in the St Catharine’s Society – President 2011–12 and latterly as Chair of the Northern branch. His son Jonathan (1995) is also an alumnus and was a fellow 2003–15.

Gillard (1997) On 23 June 2017, very unexpectedly, (Emma) Susan Gillard of Cambridge. Susan joined St Catharine’s for a year for the Diploma in Public Health. She was a General Practitioner at Over surgery. According to the Cambridge News, local residents, colleagues and patients shared heartfelt messages that described Susan as a ‘lovely doctor’ and an ‘amazing lady’.

Greenway (1955) On 16 November 2008, Clive Victor Greenway of Canada. Clive won an Exhibition to St Catharine’s from Crypt School, Gloucester, and read Natural Sciences. He was awarded the Bellfield-Clark prize for Biology and upgraded to Scholar, staying on for his PhD. After leaving Cambridge he took a post-doctoral position at Aberdeen University. In 1969 he and his wife emigrated to Canada and Clive joined the Department of Pharmacology Therapeutics at the University of Manitoba. He was appointed Department Head from 1982 to 1989 and again in 1994 until 1996 when he took early retirement.

Hampton (1943) The College has learned that Kenneth Brian Hampton of Chichester died in 2016. Kenneth won a Crabtree Exhibition to St Catharine’s from St Christopher School, Letchworth, and read Geography. His studies were interrupted for war service (as a Captain in the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry) but the war ended before he saw active service, so he returned to Cambridge for a six-month intensive Russian course and was seconded as Russian Interpreter to the Allied Control Commission in Berlin. He returned to College in 1948. He was recruited by PA Consultants in 1958 and remained there for 27 happy and successful years, ending as Chief Executive. ‘Retiring’ in 1985, he became Chairman (SE Region) of Girobank. Kenneth and his wife Ann were accomplished racing sailors – he led the Tamesis Club’s Firefly fleet and the Hampton Trophy is named in his honour. A letter to his widow remarks how civilised he was – a perfect modest exemplar for younger colleagues.

Harvey (1938) On 3 July 2017, Laurence Marshall Harvey of Cambridge. Laurence won an Entrance Scholarship to St Catharine’s from City of London School and read Mathematics, graduating with a First. He rowed for the College and went on to coach the College boat for many years. He served as a Radar Officer in the Navy during the war and then, after a year as a lecturer at the Royal Naval College, Greenwich, he came back to Cambridge as Assistant Registrary from 1947 until his retirement in 1982. He left a legacy to the College to be used to support students in need of assistance reading Mathematics or Music. His brother Dick (1948) who died in 2014 was also an alumnus as are his sons Anthony (1977) and Peter (1979).

Hobson (1944) On 9 April 2017, Barry Sinton Hobson of Wells, Somerset. Barry came to St Catharine’s from Taunton School and read English and History. His son James writes ‘Barry was very proud to be a member of the College; he played rugby, hockey and cricket, for which he gained
his Blue in 1946 – he would boast that he had bowled out
Len Hutton when Cambridge University played Yorkshire
at Fenner’s that year. His brother Lawrence John (1939),
who died in 1993, was also an alumnus. Although he
never proved it, my father was convinced that the family
is related to Thomas Hobson, the Cambridge carrier after
whom Hobson’s Choice is named, as well as the eponymous
building at the College. Whilst at Cambridge my father
studied History, at some point under GM Trevelyan; after
building at the College.Whilst at Cambridge my father
studied History, at some point under GM Trevelyan; after
leaving the University, his career path took him to Millfield
School in Somerset, where he was a member of staff
1956–2001, and subsequently Archivist.’

Hodson (1960) On 24 July 2016, Francis Samuel Monaise
Hodson of Falls Church, Virginia, USA. Frank came to
St Catharine’s from Yale and read Law. He went on to
Stanford for his LLB JD. After running a trading company
in the Philippines and practising law in New York, he took
a Foreign Service Economics Course and became the US
representative on a NATO commerce committee. Moving
to the White House, he served as Chairman of the National
Endowment to the Arts and persuaded President Reagan
to establish the President’s Committee on the Arts and
Humanities and the Congress to enact the National Medal
of Arts. His last assignment was as Deputy US Special
Representative for Non-Proliferation.

Horlick (1948) The College has learned of the death on
Robert came to St Catharine’s from Bedford Modern School
and read Engineering. We have no information about his
subsequent career.

Howell (1944) On 26 June 2017, Denis Robert Howell (1944)
of Bad Nauheim, Germany. Denis came to St Catharine’s
from Tottenham Grammar School, where he had been
head boy, following war service in 1942–3. He read Modern
& Medieval Languages, played tennis for the College and
won Blues for boxing 1945/7. His son Nick writes ‘My father
continued his love of languages and spent a year in France
teaching and playing rugby in St Etienne where he met my
mother. My sister (Katherine) was born in Toulon before
they settled back in London. Denis also continued his love
of sport, playing rugby for the Old Grammarians, Haringey
RFC and the London New Zealanders. He took up squash
and became captain of Hornsey Squash club and was
involved in Middlesex County Squash administration. As
Head of modern languages, Denis taught at St Olave’s by
Tower Bridge and then Quintin Kynaston on Maida Vale,
London.’

Hulton (1989) On 15 February 2017, Louise Anne Hulton
of Brighton. Louise came to St Catharine’s from St Mary’s
School, Ascot, after serving as a volunteer with Mother
Theresa and another clinic in Kolkata. She read Geography
followed by an MSc in demography from LSE and a
Scholarship to research the management of reproductive
health at Harvard. She then combined a lectureship at LSE
with a voluntary post as Secretary of the Association for
Improvements in Maternity Services. The Hulton Framework
was significant in reducing deaths of mothers and babies
in childbirth around the world. In 2005 she joined Options,
an international health consultancy, as Technical Director
charged with helping to improve the delivery of sexual and
reproductive health services not only in the UK but also in
Nepal, Cambodia, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Malawi, Ethiopia
and Tanzania. She remained at Options until her death. See
also the Guardian 3 March 2017.

Humbles (1948) The College has learned of the
death of William Murray Humbles of Denham Green,
Buckinghamshire. William came to St Catharine’s from
Stockport Grammar School and read History. He had a
career in the Inland Revenue service from 1951 to 1988,
retiring as Regional Controller for Greater Manchester.

Insole (1946) On 5 August 2017, Douglas John Insole of
London, Doug came to St Catharine’s from Sir George
Monoux Grammar School, Walthamstow, and read History,
staying on for a fourth year to read Modern & Medieval
Languages. He won soccer Blues 1946–8, later Amateur Cup
Final with Corinthian Casuals, and cricket Blues 1947–9. He
was made captain of the University’s cricket team in 1949
and then went on to captain Essex in 1950, before being
succeeded by Trevor Bailey in 1961. Despite representing
England on nine occasions, scoring a century against South
Africa in Durban in 1957, Doug was arguably better known
for his cricket career off the field. He spent 20 years on the
MCC Committee and 19 years as an England selector, as
well as serving as Chairman and President of Essex County
Cricket Club. He was also team manager on England’s Ashes
tours of 1978–9 and 1982–3. He was awarded a CBE in 1979.
See also the Guardian and Telegraph 6 August 2017 and the
Times 8 August 2017.

Johnson-Davies (1938) On 22 May 2017, Denys (or Dennis)
Johnson-Davies of Cairo. Denys came to St Catharine’s

England captain Joe Root presenting an England
cap to Doug Insole.
aged 16 from Merchant Taylors’ School and read Oriental Studies. Because of his young age and war service, he received an accelerated wartime degree. He joined the Arabic team at the BBC and moved to Cairo after the war, teaching translation at the British Institute. He spent his life translating Arabic literature, though he took the Bar Examination and practiced equity law in London for a time. In 1969 he became Director of the Trucial States radio station. He also wrote children's books based on Arab folk tales and heroes. See also the New York Times 5 July 2017. His father Kenneth (1917) was President of the St Catharine's Society in 1948.

Keppie (1966) On 28 March 2017, Malcolm Roy Keppie of Stroud, Gloucestershire. Malcolm came to St Catharine’s from Bishop Wordsworth’s School, Salisbury, where he had been head boy, and read Classics. He played rugby and squash, and rowed for the College. After graduating, he and David Peace (1966) spent two years in Sudan which, David says, left lifelong impressions. Returning to the UK in 1971 Malcolm worked for British Rail for four years before retraining as a teacher and becoming Head of Classics at a Gloucestershire grammar school, also teaching Greek in his spare time to prepare two gifted boys for St Catharine’s. Following senior posts at schools in Bristol and Surrey, including Master of Cranleigh Preparatory School, he was appointed Deputy Head of Downs School in North Somerset before retiring to Bristol and then the Cotswolds. Malcolm was a great friend to those who could laugh at life with him, and a dedicated supporter of the College, attending many Society Branch events and annual reunions.

Kettlewood (1960) The College has learned of the death in 2016 of Kaye Kettlewood of Dunblane, Scotland. Kaye came to St Catharine’s from Bancroft’s School, Woodford Green, and read Classics. After graduating he obtained an MSc from UMIST and joined British Railways. According to College records, he was manager at the Thames Haven Oil Terminal when he retired. His father John (1934) and uncle William Balchin (1934) were also alumni.

Lacey (1946) On 14 July 2016, Alan Robert Lacey of Birmingham. Alan won an Exhibition to St Catharine’s from St Edward’s School, Oxford, and read Classics. After firsts in Prelims and Part I, he changed to English for Part II and then stayed on to research for a PhD in Moral Sciences. He joined Bedford College, London in 1954 as a Lecturer and was promoted in 1973 to Senior Lecturer. From 1984 to 1991 he taught in King’s College, London. After his retirement in 1991, he taught part-time until 1998. His main interest was early Greek philosophy.

Lamb (1934) The College has learned of the death in 2011 of the Revd Peter Francis Charles Lamb of Somerset. Peter came to St Catharine’s from Marlborough School and read History. After graduating, he attended Wells Theological College and was a curate at Wellingborough until 1942 when he moved to Somersham. In 1948 he became a Chaplain to the RNVR. He served in the Gambia 1951–7 and then returned to the UK as Vicar of Winkleigh, Devon. In 1970 he was appointed Rector of Mells, Somerset. He retired in 1977.


Latham (1943) On 4 December 2016, Air Vice-Marshall Peter Anthony Latham of Birmingham. Peter came to St Catharine’s from St Philip’s Grammar School, Birmingham, for the wartime RAF Engineering Course. He served in several air squadrons during the war, eventually commanding 111 squadron. After the war he became leader of the Black Arrows formation team (forerunner of the Red Arrows). He served on the Ministry of Defence Central Staff and became Head of Air Defence. In the 1980s he was Senior Air Advisor to Short Brothers. As recreation he was Commander of the RAF Sailing Association and President of the Association of Service Yacht Clubs. He retired in 1981 and took up horology becoming President of the British Horological Institute and Master of the Worshipful Company of Clockmakers. See also the Times 18 March 2017.

Lever (1945) On 23 January 2017, Allan Martin Lever of Basingstoke. Allan won a State Scholarship to St Catharine’s from Marlton School, Stroud, and read Natural Sciences (Physics). His son Martin writes ‘Allan rowed for the College and took his degree just before his twentieth birthday. He did industrial research in Derby for two years and then entered technical journalism. In this field, he enjoyed great success as – in his own words – he enjoyed writing about technical things in simple terms suitable for idiots, chairmen’s speeches, annual reports etc. Allan worked at the Atomic Weapons Research Establishment, Aldermaston, followed by five years at the Institution of Electrical Engineers and lastly the Central Electricity Generating Board for 25 years. In his leisure time, Allan played bowls and bridge, enjoyed fine music, collected silver and was a lifelong devotee of the works of Jane Austen. He was a devoted family man, a very good friend and an excellent husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather.’
Long (1952) On 21 January 2017, Roger Herbert George Long of Cheltenham. Roger won a State Scholarship to St Catharine's from Jones' West Monmouth School and read Mechanical Sciences. The College has no information about his subsequent career.

Lynch (1955) On 14 May 2017, Granville Brook Lynch of Guisborough, Cleveland. Granville won a Choral Exhibition to St Catharine's from West Leeds High School and read Modern & Medieval Languages. He joined the Lady Margaret Singers madrigal group which toured Sweden in 1956 and sang at the home of Zsa Zsa Gabor. After graduating he spent two years teaching in Germany and France before joining St Olave's School, London, as their German teacher. His widow Hilary writes 'All he ever wanted to do was teach and in 1971 he began teaching languages at the Boys' Grammar School in Guisborough, rising to Head of Faculty when it became Prior Purglove Sixth Form College a few years later.' He received an award from the Royal Humane Society in 1963 after he dived in and rescued a two year old child whose pushchair rolled into the Medway and stuck in the mud 15 feet underwater.

Mayes (1949) On 10 January 2017, Ronald Frederick Mayes of Barnet. Ronald came to St Catharine's from the Grammar School, Welllingtonborough, and read Geography. He was Editor of the Oxford Economic Atlases in the 1950s and Chief Information Officer at the Department of Trade in the 1990s. His sons Tim (1979) and Stephen (1981) are also alumni.

McIntyre (1951) On 29 March 2017, Stuart John McIntyre of Stock, Essex. Stuart came to St Catharine's from Felsted School and read Law and Economics. Dick Glyne-Jones (1950) writes 'Stuart came up to Cats having spent most of his National Service in Gibraltar. He played hockey regularly and was in the Chapel choir, where his musical talent and mellifluous bass voice were invaluable; also in the annual College revue alongside his good timing and hilarious facial contortions. His humour and jollity were legendary. After Cambridge he became a sales executive with Bush Boake Allen. He and his wife Wendy moved to Stock, where he made a huge and much appreciated contribution to village life, as demonstrated by the enormous company of local people who attended the funeral in Stock church. Choral music was his passion: he was a member of the Bach Choir for over thirty years, and also the Vespers Singers, whose raison d'être was to visit obscure East Anglian churches to sing Evensong where otherwise none would ever be sung.'

Meekums (1955) On 9 July 2017, Commander Geoffrey George Meekums of Edenbridge, Kent. Geoffrey came to St Catharine's as a Royal Navy cadet from Roan Grammar School, Greenwich, and read Engineering. He joined the Navy as an Artificer Apprentice and Officer Cadet in the Electrical Branch. Then as Aircraft Engineer Officer he served in four fixed wing fast jet squadrons and on aircraft carriers. He served two tours at RAE Farnborough and one at RSRE Malvern. He retired in 1987 with the rank of Commander and was awarded an OBE. He then joined British Aerospace Dynamics as Principal Consultant, later working as a full-time consultant with the Ministry of Defence in London. In later life, he helped at the ReMap charity and became a preserved railway enthusiast (fitter for the Mid Hants Railway and crossing keeper on the Wensleydale Railway).

Michell (1961) On 4 April 2017, the Revd Canon Francis Richard Noel Michell of Penzance. Noel came to St Catharine's from Kelly College, Devon, and read Geography; he went on to study theology at Tyndale Hall, Bristol, before serving at churches in Northampton and various parishes in Merseyside. He was a Canon of Liverpool Cathedral and retired to Cornwall in 2007 where he and his wife Lesley looked after the church at St Hilary for six years before moving to Penzance. Lesley writes that Gus and Chum Caesar were at their wedding.

Morrison (1973) On 19 December 2016, very unexpectedly, Paul John David Morrison of Cambridge. Paul came to St Catharine's from Epsom College to read Natural Sciences, but stayed only for one year. His name then was Trump, but he changed it to Morrison (his wife's name) later. He was a relative of fellow Gus Caesar whose daughter Pat writes 'Much of Paul's early life was spent with his uncle and aunt Gus and Margaret Caesar, and cousins James and Pat. As children we all enjoyed coming into Cats and then Paul had a good year as an undergrad before going to Guildford Law School. He came to live in Cambridge when he inherited his mother's house.' He was noted in the Newnham community for his practical skills – he could fix almost anything – and his knowledge of legal matters apparently proved very helpful to the local WI for which he was treasurer. Pat says that she was glad of his company and enthusiasm at College functions.


Newton (1941) On 26 September 2016, Professor John Oswald Newton of Canberra, Australia. John won a State Scholarship to St Catharine's from Bishop Vesey's Grammar School, Sutton Coldfield, and read Natural Sciences. He played chess for both College and University. He spent his war service at the Royal Radar Establishment at Malvern. John returned to complete his degree in 1946 and stayed on for his PhD at the Cavendish Laboratory. From 1951–9 he worked for the Atomic Energy Research Establishment before being appointed senior lecturer and, later, Reader at Manchester University whence he received a DSc.
He emigrated to Australia in 1970 and was appointed Professor of Nuclear Physics and Head of Department at the Australian National University, Canberra. He was elected a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Sciences in 1975.

**Osborne (1959)** On 25 April 2017, Giles Osborne of Birmingham. Giles came to St Catharine’s from Rossall School, Lancashire, and read Theology and English. His son Rob (1995) writes ‘One thing of particular interest my father did whilst at Catz is recorded in the 1959 Magazine: “As part of the College contribution to this year’s Poppy Day appeal, GM Laurie and G Osborne played bridge with two gentlemen from Trinity and added unusual lustre to the College name by doing so for 73 hours 45 minutes non-stop, beating the world record’ of 73 hours 10 minutes held by Bristol University. They would have added even more, of course, had they beaten Trinity as well.” Giles went on to teach English in Birmingham’s inner city schools (the main one being Sir Wilfred Martineau). He retired through ill health in the 1990s and when he wasn’t looking after his family he spent his spare time writing poetry, playing chess, attending church and touring with the church choir. George Laurie (1958) died in 2003. As well as his son Rob (1995), Giles’s father Paul (1929) and brother Ben (1967) were also alumni

**Percy (1943)** The College has learned of the death of George Graham Percy of Rockingham, Western Australia. George came to St Catharine’s from Windsor County School as a Colonial Probationer, but was in residence for only one term before being called up for war service. He returned in 1947 and completed the one-year Colonial Administrator Course. The College has no information about his subsequent career.

**Peto (1940)** On 7 May 2017 Morton Frederick Peto of Bridport, Dorset. Morton won a Choral Exhibition to St Catharine’s from Weymouth College and read History and Modern & Medieval Languages. His studies were interrupted by war service and he returned in 1946 to complete his degree. He was President of the College Music Society and took a leading role in the College performance of Gilbert & Sullivan’s Trial by Jury in 1948. He joined the staff of Christ’s Hospital School, Horsham, in 1949 and remained there until his retirement in 1981.

**Phipps (1945)** On 9 September 2016, John Thomas Phipps of Durham. John won a Scholarship to St Catharine’s from Alderman Newton’s School, Leicester, aged 17 and read Modern & Medieval Languages. His son Andrew writes ‘Whilst at St Catharine’s he was called up, aged 18, for National Service, training as a tank driver/wireless operator and serving in the Middle East. He returned to College in 1948 to resume his studies, playing in the College Rugby second team (Kittens) and singing with the University Choral Society. After graduating, he stayed on for the Post-graduate Teaching Certificate. He pursued a career in teaching at Wallasey and Preston Grammar Schools and finally as Head of Modern Languages at Henry Hartland Grammar School in Worksop, North Nottinghamshire. After retirement he devoted his energies to his allotment, local conservation and holidays in France with wife Eileen.’

**Plummer (1965)** On 13 September, 2016 Alistair John Plummer of Solihull, Warwickshire. Alistair came to St Catharine’s from Ampleforth College to read History. His friend Anthony Partridge writes After his degree at Cambridge, he gained a Diploma in Social Administration at Bristol University before obtaining his first job as organiser of Manchester Youth and Community Services. He continued to be dedicated to community work and held a variety of posts in the voluntary sector, new towns and local government, in particular Redditch New Town where he met his wife Anne who also held a number of posts in local government. Dedicated to his family, he found time to be chair of governors of a special school, a member of the governing bodies of both schools attended by his daughter, as well as being a board member of a national housing association. After retirement, he chaired Redditch Nightstop, a Charity providing support and accommodation to homeless young people. He became a volunteer for both Oxfam Bookshops and St Chad’s Bookshop reflecting his lifetime love of books.’

**Reeves (1958)** On 17 October 2016, Geoffrey John Reeves of Chorley Wood, Hertfordshire. Geoffrey came to St Catharine’s from Dulwich College and read English. After graduating he obtained a Certificate in Drama from Bristol. According to College records he directed plays for the Royal Shakespeare Company, the National Theatre, the Royal Court Theatre and in many different countries. From 1991 he taught Film at the National Film and Television School.

**Rich (1951)** On 14 November 2016, Frank Elliot Rich of Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire. Frank won a Scholarship to St Catharine’s from Brentwood School to read Natural Sciences (Physics). He rowed for the College. After three years at Southern United Telephone Cables, Frank worked for the radar research group at the General Electric Company then for Laings and the Clinical Research Centre. His widow Pam writes ‘Working in IT for most of his life, his last position was with the Medical Research Council’s Statistics Department. We were married for 57 years and he was the proud father of four children, eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. His main hobbies were chess, bridge, music and cinema. He was a quiet, kind and generous person, described as a “real gentleman” by most people, and we all miss him hugely.’
Robert (1946) On 19 December 2016, Professor Derek Frank Bruce Roberts of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Derek came to St Catharine’s from the County School, Isleworth, after serving in the Lincolnshire Regiment during the war. He read Geography and, after graduating, took the Diploma in Anthropology and was awarded a distinction. He then researched for his DPhil at Oxford and was appointed a demonstrator in the Department of Human Anatomy there. In 1963, after a year at the University of Washington, Seattle, he returned to Oxford briefly before taking up the position of Professor of Human Genetics at the University of Newcastle and Honorary Consultant to the Royal Victoria Infirmary. He was President of the Clinical Genetics Society and Editor of the Journal of Biological Science for many years until his retirement in 1990. He published extensively both before and after his retirement, and received many international awards in his field. He left a generous legacy to the College.

Robert (1955) On 7 October 2016, Edward Ian Roberts of Basingstoke. Ian came to St Catharine’s from St Bees School, Cumbria, and read Law. He was a Senior Partner at Lamb Basingstoke. In 1963, after a year at the University of Washington, Seattle, he returned to Oxford briefly before taking up the position of Professor of Human Genetics at the University of Newcastle and Honorary Consultant to the Royal Victoria Infirmary. He was President of the Clinical Genetics Society and Editor of the Journal of Biological Science for many years until his retirement in 1990. He published extensively both before and after his retirement, and received many international awards in his field. He left a generous legacy to the College.

Scarth (1955) On 25 April 2017, Alwyn Scarth of Dundee. Alwyn came to St Catharine’s from Batley Grammar School, Yorkshire, and read Geography staying on after graduation for his PhD. While at Catz he was Business Manager for the Midnight Howlers. After his PhD he took a post as lecturer at Queen’s College, Dundee, University of St Andrews, which became the University of Dundee in 1967. His research focused mainly on volcanology. He retired in 1993, but continued publishing and several of his books have been reviewed in these pages over the years, in particular Volcanoes (1994), Savage Earth (1997) and Vulcan’s Fury (1999). Alwyn was an extensive traveller, but always returned to his home in Broughty Ferry, Dundee, to maintain contact with friends and colleagues.

Schoenenberger (Fellow 1975) On 13 November 2016, Professor Kurt Schoenenberger of Stow-on-the-Wold. Kurt was a junior research fellow at St Catharine’s before becoming a fellow of Oriel College, Oxford.

Shelley (1944) The College has learned of the death of Bryan Leslie Shelley of Bath. Bryan came to St Catharine’s from Framlingham School, Suffolk, for the wartime Royal Navy Arts Course and specialised in French. We have no information about his subsequent career.

Smith (1955) For David Gordon Smith see Blakeway Smith (1955).

Smith (1974) On 13 March 2017, Martin Reeve Smith of London. Martin won a Scholarship to St Catharine’s from King’s School, Chester, and read Law. His supervision partner was Tom Ivory (1974, Fellow 1983–90) who died in 2008. They spurred each other on and both obtained starred firsts. After graduating, Martin received an LLM from Pennsylvania University (together with Anthony Haller (1974) who stayed in Philadelphia). Returning to England, he completed his articled clerkship with Simmons & Simmons in 1981 and remained with them almost continuously until his retirement in 2013. He specialised in EU and Competition Law – his substantial book Competition Law: Enforcement and Procedure (2001) was highly regarded by City lawyers – and he headed the Competition Law Group at Simmons & Simmons for ten years from 2003. He was much appreciated for his meticulous and objective approach to work; a voice of quiet reason, amiable, courteous, and ever ready to help his colleagues.

Soulsby (1956) On 8 May 2017, Ernest Jackson Lawson Soulsby (Lord Soulsby of Swaffham Prior). Lord Soulsby was elected a member of St Catharine’s in 1956. After graduating from the Royal Veterinary College in Edinburgh and a year as a vet in Penrith, he returned to Edinburgh for his PhD and then became a lecturer at Bristol before coming to Cambridge and St Catharine’s. In 1964 he was appointed Professor of Parasitology at Pennsylvania University, but returned to Cambridge in 1979 as Head of Clinical Veterinary Medicine. The President of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons commented that he had a truly exceptional career dedicated to bringing together medical and veterinary science. In 2015 he was awarded the RCVS Queen’s Medal, their highest award. See also obituary in the Times 2 June 2017 and a tribute from RCVS President.

Spearing (1953) On 8 January 2017, Nigel John Spearing of London. Nigel came to St Catharine’s from Latymer Upper School, Hammersmith, after National Service in the Royal Signals, and read Geography. He took part in several sports at College level including cross-country, athletics and rowing. He stayed on after graduating for a Certificate in Engineering. He taught at Wandsworth School and became their senior geography master before transferring to Elliott School, Putney, as housemaster. He was active in the Labour Party and was elected MP for Acton in 1970 and then for Newham South 1974–97. He served on many Parliamentary Committees including Education, Overseas Development, Procedure, European Legislation etc. He introduced a Private Member’s Bill which became the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Act. His widow Wendy writes ‘Nigel was strongly influenced by Gus Caesar and remained in frequent contact until Gus’s death. He was instrumental in getting
the Industrial Diseases (Notification) Act passed. His interest arose because a constituent was dying of asbestosis leaving an impoverished family with no compensation.

**Stanley** (1944) On 29 April 2017, Robert William Stanley of Maidenhead. Bob came to St Catharine’s from Quintin School for the RAF Arts Course. He left after a year for war service, but returned in 1948 to read English and row for the College. After graduating he went on to a career in education and was Head of English at Maidenhead Grammar School (latterly Desborough College) for nearly 25 years. It is clear from tributes received that he touched many lives and is fondly remembered. He was very successful in helping a good number of his students apply to Oxbridge, specifically a number to St Catharine’s. Until ill health prevented him, Bob attended Society reunions as often as he was able, and was very proud of his association with St Catharine’s. He left a substantial legacy to the College.

**Sweetman** (1951) On 25 March 2017, John Francis Sweetman of London. John won an Exhibition to St Catharine’s from Cardinal Vaughan School to read Classics, but changed to Law when he came up after his National Service with the Royal Artillery in Gibraltar. He rowed for the College. After graduating he joined the House of Commons staff and spent his career there as a respected clerk trusted by MPs. He contributed to the ‘rule books’ including Erskine May’s *Parliamentary Practice* and *Halsbury’s Laws of England*. Towards the end of his career he joined the Overseas Office and helped train staff of the Legislative Council in Hong Kong before the handover to China. He was appointed a Companion of the Order of the Bath in 1991 and retired in 1996.

**Taylor** (1944) On 7 April 2015, Harold Taylor of Sheffield. Harold came to St Catharine’s from Holgate Grammar School and read Geography followed by the Post-graduate Certificate in Education. He was the College organist 1945–8. After two years teaching at Wade Deacon Grammar School, Widnes, he moved to High Storrs Grammar School and remained there until his retirement in 1984, by which time he had been Head of Geography for 15 years. He was organist and choirmaster of St Andrew’s Church, Psalter Lane, Sheffield, and also researched the origins of South Yorkshire surnames.

**Taylor** (2001) On 23 February 2017, Marie Taylor of London. Marie came to St Catharine’s from Birkbeck College to study for her MBA. Marie held senior positions in the NHS and national charities before coming to Cambridge where she developed new skills and made many lifelong friends. Her time at Cambridge proved pivotal in the direction she chose to take her career. After leaving Cambridge Marie specialised in leadership training and development, and in business coaching, working with senior leaders throughout the UK and internationally. She also wrote several books and courses on coaching, personal development and career development. Marie tutored on the Master of Studies Community Enterprise Course at Cambridge and became a Fellow of the Judge Business School. Marie’s sister Kathy writes ‘Marie was a fantastic daughter, sister, aunty and friend. She was clever, witty, infectiousley funny and exceptionally kind. She was the person others always turned to for help and advice. Marie was beautiful inside and out, was very generous, giving freely of herself and time. She loved life and lived life to the full.’

**Thompson** (1932) On 21 December 2016, Fred Thompson of Cambridge. Fred came to St Catharine’s from De Aston Grammar School, Market Rasen, and read History followed by the Post-graduate Certificate in Education; he rowed in the 1st VIII 1934–6. His whole career was spent teaching at Newport Essex Grammar School where he was Head of History and later Deputy Headmaster. He retired in 1975 and wrote a detailed register and history of the school from 1588. Fred was erroneously reported as having died in the 1950 Magazine; see the apology the following year [The Secretary] was ... so delighted to see F Thompson at the [reunion] that he could not forbear to congratulate him on his resurrection. See also News of Members in this Magazine.

**Toy** (1957) On 17 December 2016, David Brice Toy of Eureka, California. David came to St Catharine’s as an affiliated student from Stanford University and read Law under Dick Gooderson. He and his wife, Pat, travelled in Britain and the Continent during the vacations. David returned to Stanford Law School and finished his LLB after which he practiced anti-trust and international law in Los Angeles, California. Pat and David moved to Eureka, California upon his retirement, and both were active in Christ Church Episcopal where David served on the Discernment Committee. His daughter Jennifer writes that David loved Cambridge and loved St Catharine’s even more.
Trump (1973) For Paul John David Trump see Morrison (1973).

Vickerman (1944) In January 2016, Colin Vickerman of Manchester. Colin came to St Catharine’s from Huddersfield College and read History. He served in the RAF during the war, returned to complete his degree in 1948, and then joined the Colonial Service in Uganda in 1952. In 1962 he returned to the UK and worked for the Joint Matriculation Board in Manchester until his retirement in 1990; from 1981 he was its Chief Executive. He was Director of the Parrs Wood Rural Trust from 1990 and a Member of the Manchester University Court from 1993. He wrote many articles on education with particular reference to Public Examinations. He was awarded an OBE in 1985.

Wallace (1944) On 4 May 2017, Alan Galbraith Wallace of Tasmania. Alan won a Scholarship to St Catharine’s from Solihull School and read Natural Sciences and Medicine. His widow Hilary writes ‘Alan achieved a Double First at Cambridge and later obtained his Membership of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of London and Edinburgh. He emigrated to Tasmania in 1957 with his wife Hilary. After establishing a medical practice there, he returned to Cambridge in 1970 to pursue studies in Human Evolution and Physical Anthropology. Back in Tasmania he became Senior Lecturer in Anatomy and Human Evolution in the Medical School and was appointed Honorary Anthropologist at the Tasmanian Museum working on their extensive collection of Aboriginal skeletal remains. His specialist physician work continued with research into, and trials of, treatment for Obesity.’

Webb-Bourne (1943) The College has learned of the death in August 2015 of Derek Raymond Webb-Bourne of London. Derek came to St Catharine’s from Dudley Grammar School on the Royal Navy short wartime course in Engineering. We have no information about his subsequent career.

Wickenden (1947) On 20 August 2016, Brigadier Peter Douglas Willison Wickenden of Fishguard. Peter came to St Catharine’s from Bishop Cotton School, Simla, and St Francis de Sales School, Nagpur, both in India. He read Natural Sciences and Medicine, and played hockey for the College. His daughter Fiona Bailey writes ‘After leaving Cambridge Peter went to University College Hospital in London, where he was a medical student. His career as a doctor and later a psychiatrist with the British Army took him all over the world. He served the Army faithfully and with great dedication as Consultant Psychiatrist then Professor of Psychiatry and later Director of Psychiatry, finally retiring in 2004. He also contributed to a number of papers relating to army legislation both in the UK and Kuwait, and was responsible for completely reorganising the Introductory Medical Officers Course at the Royal Army Medical College. He was so proud of his time at St Catharine’s:’ His father TD Wickenden (1921) was also an alumnus.

Williams (1963) The College has learned of the death of Christopher John Williams of Townsville, Australia. Christopher came to St Catharine’s from St John’s School, Leatherhead, and read English. We have no information about his subsequent career.

Willis (1953) In February 2017, Michael George Temple Willis of Farnham, Surrey. Michael came to St Catharine’s from Charterhouse and read Mechanical Engineering. According to College records he was in the Royal Engineers stationed in Germany for some years before returning to the UK to set up a construction company with a friend which he then ran for 20 years.

Yates (1961) On 7 February 2016, David John Cabena Yates of Poway, California. David came to St Catharine’s from Birmingham University. Recently he wrote ‘I was a married research student from 1961–8 and, at that time, the College had little or no interest in us. However, I had to be a member of a college to be admitted to the course for the PhD. I am glad for this, but I note that I was awarded an ScD in 1968, so I like to think that the College made a good choice! What fraction of PhDs get ScDs? ‘ David worked on carbon fibre and has patents from the 1980s.
NEWs OF MEMBERS

The following Members are mentioned in the News pages. As has become customary by the request of Members, the news items themselves are printed in date order of Society Membership rather than alphabetical order.

David Adams (1966); Robin Andrew (1967); Patrick Atkinson (1990); John Baker (Fellow 1971, Honorary Fellow 2012); Mark Baldwin (1962); Mike Barford (1968); Edmund Barker (1948); Ian Beer (1951); Bill Bellenger (1966); Charles Boase (1962); Sandy Burnett (1983); Allison Burns (1985); John Chapman (1969); Tejindra Chawla (1949); Sebastian Chitty (1977); Frank Cocks (1932); Mike Cocks (1960); Deborah Cox (née Brown, 1980); Nicholas Cox (1977); Peter Cresswell (1965); Sarah Crown (1996); David Cruttenden (1967); Clifford Darby (1925, Honorary Fellow 1960); Hal Drakesmith (1990); John Bacchus Dykes (1843); Gunter Ertl (Visitor 1960); Allie Esiri (1985); John Foskett (1960); Lilian Greenwood (1984); Hardeep Grewal (2008); Patrick Harpur (1968); Robert Harrison (1959; Charlotte Heiss (1997); John Herbert (1953); Cyril Hett (1928); Lester Hillman (1970); Chris Hobbs (1957); Sriya Iyer (Fellow 2000); Rupert Jeffcoat (1989); Alun Jones (1967); Andy Jones (1990); ‘Malaria’ Jones (Fellow 1908); John Keeble (1950); Malcolm Keppie (1966); Philip Le Brocq (1959); Peter le Huray (1948, Fellow 1957); Jon Lewis (1962); Nick Line (1990); John Little (1972, Fellow 1980); Charles Lutyens (1969); Alfie Maddock (1948, Fellow 1959); Theresa Maier (2014); Phil Matthews (1966); David Mellor (1973); Dean Montgomery (2007); Alastair Morley-Brown (1953); Sean Mulherin (1990); John Mullett (1943, Fellow Commoner 1989); George Nash (2008); Sean O’Harro (Development Director 2002–7); Suk Pannu (1986); David Parry-Jones (1950); Humphrey Peake (1950); Frank Penson (1974); John Pickard (1964, Fellow 1990); John Ray (1644); Guy Rodwell (1990); Derek Rogers (1955); Michael Romer (1966); Bernard Rose (1936); Chandra Senaratne (1954); Ham Shields (1967); Robert Shillinglaw (1990); Jenni Sidey (Fellow 2016); Geoffrey Smith (1959); Richard Stedman (1948); Bill Sutherland (Fellow 2008); John Sutherland (1950); Peter Sutherland (1947); Hamish Symington (1999); Claire Taylor (1986, née Soulsby); Wei Kang Tchou (2010); Fred Thompson (1932); Chris Thorne (Fellow 1963, Emeritus Fellow 2002); Steve Tinton (1967); Harvie Walford (1949); Peter Waller (1965); Peter Williams (1953); Peter Wilson (1990); Colin Wright (1964); John Yellowlees (1969).


John Bacchus Dykes (1843) See John Mullett (1943) and article later in this Magazine.

WHS (Malaria) Jones (Fellow 1908–43) acquired his nickname as a result of two publications which were somewhat ridiculed at the time – Malaria, a neglected factor in the history of Greece and Rome (1907) and Malaria and Greek History (1909). Sadly Jones’s earlier development of this theory of the collapse of Greek and Roman civilisations was not acknowledged in a Daily Mail article in December 2016 under the headline Malaria caused ‘widespread death’ in ancient Rome: DNA evidence from skeletons reveals a deadly form of the disease hit the empire 2,000 years ago.

John Baker purchased a photograph (below) of Clifford Darby (1925, Honorary Fellow 1960), later Professor Sir Clifford Darby, on eBay. The caption reads ‘Dr Darby on the roof of Ely Cathedral addressing the multitude on the Part I expedition to the Fenland, March 1937.’ Darby died in 1992.

Cyril Hett (1928) died in 1993 and was rumoured never to have missed a reunion dinner throughout his life. His daughter Julia has received a Grant of Arms upon becoming Master of the Worshipful Company of Scriveners. The Catharine Wheels on the arms refer to Julia’s father’s College and Julia’s middle name – Catharine, of course.
Fred Thompson (1932) – pictured above, seated – with Mike Cocks (1960). Fred’s father and Mike’s grandfather were brothers. In addition, Mike’s father, the Revd Frank Cocks (1932) – later Bishop of Shrewsbury – was a contemporary of Fred’s at St Catharine’s. Frank’s wife (Mike’s mother) was an actress, and Frank – a fine public speaker and story-teller – had a rich collection of ‘actress and bishop’ stories; indeed he wrote a private autobiography entitled As the Actress Said to the Bishop! Sadly, see also Death Notices in this Magazine.

Molly Rose, the widow of Bernard Rose (1936), died on 16 October 2016. Bernard was an organ scholar and became a fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford. He died in 1996 (obituary in the 1997 Magazine). Molly flew spitfires for delivery during the Second World War. She was the daughter of David Marshall, the owner of Cambridge Airport. A memorial to Molly featured prominently in the 2016 Festival of Remembrance broadcast on Remembrance Sunday from the Royal Albert Hall.

John Mullett (1943, Fellow Commoner 1989), the previous editor of the College Magazine, lived near Ely, but had been unwell for some years. A quartet of singers from College visited him in July and sang some JB Dykes hymns, amongst other things. See also the article on Dykes (1843) later in this Magazine; Dykes matriculated exactly 100 years before Mullett. Sadly John passed away later in the month; see the College Report in this Magazine for an obituary.

Peter Sutherland (1947), who died in 2012, was a strong supporter of SCCBC and Captain of Boats in the late 1940s. He was also one of the most influential rowing men of the last century, captains Leander and founding the Upper Thames Rowing Club. The first Peter Sutherland Memorial Race was held as part of the Cambridge-Oxford Henley Boat Races in March 2017 and an associated memorial fund has been set up to help disadvantaged children. The Memorial Race will be an annual fixture between Upper Thames and Leander.

Edmund Barker (1948) who died in 2001 was heavily involved in the formation of Singapore and was their first law minister. Susan Sims has written a book about him EW Barker: the People’s Minister. See donations to the College Library in this Magazine.

Peter le Huray (1948, Fellow 1957) See Sandy Burnett (1983)

Margaret Maddock, the widow of Alfie Maddock (1948, Fellow 1959, Emeritus Fellow 1984), died in December 2016. She will be remembered with affection by many of those alumni who were Alfie’s pupils. Alfie himself died in 2009 and his obituary appears in the Magazine of that same year.

The death of Richard Stedman (1948) was reported in the 2016 Magazine. Honorary Fellow Professor Sir John Baker writes ‘I was interested to read that my old Geography Master (and Form Master) Richard Stedman has died, albeit at some uncertain date. I met him once at a College reunion, and told him of our prior acquaintance, to which his response was “I bet I was a real b---d”’. I was unable to deny this very convincingly, but we had a good chat. He was more often seen in football togs than in the gown favoured by the other masters – typical Catsman, I suppose.’

Associate member Santosh Chawla, the widow of Tejinda Chawla (1949) who died in 2006, has resigned from the Society. She writes ‘I have enjoyed reading the Magazine all these years, but now reaching 90 years of age I am trying to cut down on my mail.’

David Parry-Jones (1950) writes that he has taken a Masters in Professional Practice from the University of Wales Trinity St David, and is now Chairman of New Conventions Ltd.
paralysed left arm. In 2012 I made the acquaintance of Derek Rogers (1955) who writes 'In the 1980’s I was a club motorcycle racer, but in 2001 a careless driver knocked me off my machine on the highway leaving me with a paralysed left arm. In 2012 I made the acquaintance of a professional motivational speaker called Talan Skeels Piggins who in 2003 had fallen from his motorcycle under a truck and been left paralysed from the chest down. He was previously an all-round sportsman and PE teacher, and he spent the next few years learning how to get back on two wheels, eventually succeeding. In 2011 he set up a charity called the Bike Experience which affords disabled former motorcyclists the opportunity to ride again on adapted machines, though not on the highway. He and several others have learnt to race on regular circuits against able bodied competition by being launched from the back of the grid by helpers. The riders include both paraplegics and amputees. In 2016 the team won second and third prizes at Silverstone and Brands Hatch. I have had a few one-handed rides with the Bike Experience at a sedate pace but don’t wish to add to my tally of broken bones at my age.‘

John Herbert (1953) writes that he retired in 1998 and is now living on the edge of the Victorian Alps in Australia with wife Ann and five daughters with their families all nearby. Frequent visits to the UK usually involve meeting Old Lodge roommates Peter Williams (1953) and Alastair Morley-Brown (1953). He keeps in touch with Ian Beer (1951) and surviving members of the 1956 Cambridge XV who gathered for reunions in 2006 and 2016.

Chandra Senaratne (1954), who publishes under the pen name Charles Boyd, writes ‘I am involved in several social activities: I am a founder member of the Ceylon Society of Australia which is a historical Society; a Charter member of the Probus Club of Carlingford/North Rocks (Professional Business Persons Club); a Past President of the North Rocks/Carlingford Senior Citizens Club; a committee member of the Cambridge Society of NSW; and a member of the Hills Friendship Society – just a mention of my main activity areas.’

John Keeble (1950), Humfrey Peake (1950) and myself had long discussions with David Wallace (St Edmund’s I think, but with a particular connection with Cats) who had his office at the Agriculture building in Downing Street. David was responsible in WWII for advising the War Department that, within a field gun crew, the member whose job had been to hold the horses in WWII, was no longer needed. I was also as a member of the clinker IV which beat Caius, Corpus and King’s to win in 1952.’

John Sutherland (1950) writes ‘Very pleased to get the Magazine each year as it brings back all kinds of happy memories – my interview with Tom Henn in 1949, my digs in Pemberton Terrace with Mr & Mrs Middleton and my last year in College (grinding the coffee on many visits to Christopher Waddams). John Keeble (1950), Humfrey Peake (1950) and myself had long discussions with David Wallace (St Edmund’s I think, but with a particular connection with Cats) who had his office at the Agriculture building in Downing Street. David was responsible in WWII for advising the War Department that, within a field gun crew, the member whose job had been to hold the horses in WWII, was no longer needed. I was also as a member of the clinker IV which beat Caius, Corpus and King’s to win in 1952.’

Harvie Walford (1949) and Mrs Dorice Walford met the Master at an alumni event in Vancouver; see the Alumni and Development Report.

Chris Hobbs (1957) writes to say that he enjoyed the article on Recollections of the early 1960s in the 2016 Magazine. ‘When reminiscing about my time at Cambridge I always tell people that the one thing I did learn was how to eat quickly.’

Robert Harrison (1959) writes to say that he is editor of Ars Ceramica, the annual journal of the Wedgwood Society of New York and so he was very interested in the article on The Studio Pottery Collection of John Shakeshaft in the 2016 Magazine. The Editor was able to put Robert in touch with the authors of that article, and they are going to write an item for Ars Ceramica on the John Shakeshaft collection. Robert says, ‘It is most reassuring that the St Catharine’s Magazine was instrumental in all of this! Until I read your last issue, I had no idea that my College was connected with a major collection of studio pottery.’

Philip Le Brocq (1959) writes concerning John Foskett (1959) who sadly died this year (see Notices in this Magazine). ‘John was my Best Man and it was a reciprocated honour! We shared rooms on A-Staircase. John captained the winning Rugby Cuppers side in 1962, the celebrations of which led to bonfires in the Main Court and the old Bull gates being lifted off their hinges and floated down the Cam to the first lock. It was agreed by the Governing Body that, if these were returned intact by noon next day, no more would be said. This was done by a rather worse-for-wear team of rugby-oarsmen towing, lifting and painfully re-hanging them in time.’

Geoffrey Smith (1959) writes that he returned to the College to speak to the University Israel Society about the Gaza conflict in 2009. In the intervening 50 years he taught African history in Tanzania, trained teachers in the University of Papua New Guinea (where he became head of the national education planning unit) and moved to Jerusalem with his wife Margaret to administer the Israel Trust of the Anglican Church. Visiting Cambridge again he
missed Walnut Tree Court where, to keep warm in the old E-staircase, he used to stuff newspapers into the widening cavity in the wall fronting Queens Lane.

Mike Cocks (1960) See Fred Thompson (1932).

Gunter Ertl (Visitor 1960) writes to say that, browsing the Internet, he came across the item on Gostlin House on the College website. ‘In July and August 1960 I lived in Gostlin House – as an Austrian student at the University of Vienna I attended a legal summer school organised by Cambridge University. I liked the house very much and found that it looked like a hybrid between a miniature villa and a cottage. I was surprised to find such a building within the walls of a Cambridge college.’ Gunter is now a presiding judge at the Vienna Court of Appeal and a Professor of Civil Law. He says that he enjoyed his summer in Cambridge. ‘I think even that it was one of the most pleasant times of my life, and Cambridge comes pretty close to my ideal of a university. In the course of its long history Cambridge must have produced many strokes of luck, but only intelligent people (and institutions) know how to make proper use of them.’

Mark Baldwin (1962) writes that he is still speaking widely and running courses on The Secret War, especially the Enigma Machine and Bletchley Park.

Charles Boase (1962) writes that he intends to retire as Town Councillor for Calne in Wiltshire in 2017, having served for ten years.

Jon Lewis (1962) sent two pictures of St Catharine (below) for the College collection. He writes ‘They both come from the Palazzo Barberini collection in Rome. The first is a particular of St Catharine attending the Martydom of St Sebastian, rather an anachronistic concept. It is by Francesco Pagano, active in Napoli around 1475. The second is one of my favourites, by Callisto Piazza from around 1550. He came from Lodi in Lombardia, and has a school named after him there today.’

Chris Thorne (Fellow 1963, Emeritus Fellow 2002) writes ‘A mounted pair of Asian Elephant tusks, labelled Chantong, Dec 19th 1914, which might once have supported a College gong and more recently graced the windowsill of my room Old Lodge 2, attracted a certain amount of opprobrium from those who believed that their visible existence indicated encouragement for the ivory trade. The tusks were therefore gifted by the College in December 2016 to the University’s Zoological Museum (blame the Bursar and myself!).’

John Pickard (1964, Fellow 1990), Emeritus Professor of Neurosurgery at Cambridge, has been honoured at Addenbrooke’s Hospital. A new suite of laboratories there has been named the John Pickard Neurosurgical Laboratories. At a ceremony in November, John cut the ribbon and declared the suite open. John was also the first Chairman and Clinical Director of the Wolfson Brain Imaging Centre before he retired in 2013.

Colin Wright (1964) writes to say that, following his recent retirement from the staff of the University of Hull, he completed a PhD in 2015. His research has now been published by Cambridge Scholars Publishing as Aural and the University Music Undergraduate. At St Catharine’s Colin
was an organ scholar and, as part of his subsequent career in music, became an examiner with Trinity College, London, and Assistant Organist at Beverley Minster. He is currently Musical Director of the East Riding County Choir.

Peter Cresswell (1965) writes to say that his book *The Lost Narrative of Jesus: deciphering the transfiguration* has been published.

David Adams (1966) wrote with news of the Catz Alumni Golf Society and the Hobson Trophy in 2015. He wrote this year to tell us that Alun Jones (1967) retained the Hobson Trophy with an impressive 38 points at the RAC Golf Club. Alun is the only winner to defend the trophy successfully, narrowly beating Peter Waller (1965) and Mike Barford (1968). The winning team was the 4-ball of Steve Tinton (1967), Bill Bellenger (1966), Robin Andrew (1967) and Phil Matthews (1966). Ham Shields (1967) walked off with the newly endowed Framed Bird trophy. On a more sombre note, Bill Bellenger proposed a toast to the memory of Malcolm Keppie (1966), a fellow classicist at Cats who recently died of cancer – see Notices in this Magazine.

Michael Romer (1966) has decided to close the ‘Peter Green’ wine merchants in Marchmont, Edinburgh, which his family has run since his father purchased it from Peter Green himself in 1947. The shop was established over 100 years ago. Customers remarked that they would certainly miss Michael’s weekly wine tastings as well as the store itself. John Yellowlees (1969) visited the shop in November 2016 and took this picture of Michael. See also the Scotland Branch Report.

David Cruttenden (1967) writes from Zimbabwe to say that the country stumbles on. ‘The government is broke and survives on an overdraft from the Reserve Bank which is itself bankrupt. Count yourself fortunate in the UK to have a Parliament which can make the Chancellor look silly.’ He wrote in March shortly after the Chancellor’s U-turn over raising National Insurance. David says that he was sorry to read of the death of Richard Fawcett in the 2016 Magazine. ‘Those who rowed with him will also remember him as the stroke of the winning Fairbairn Cup VIII in 1967 and as a member of a fast coxless IV which some thought unfortunate not to win the Visitors’ at Henley in 1968.’

John Chapman (1969) was part of the team awarded BAFTAs for the mini-series National Treasure which starred Robbie Coltrane. John was the producer of the series and was given the award at a ceremony at the Royal Festival Hall in May 2017. This coincidentally required him briefly to return to London during the annual reunion of a group of seven Catz graduates and friends – and their spouses – at the Cornish home of Charles Lutyens (1969). It is John’s fourth BAFTA.

John Yellowlees (1969) (see Romer (1966) above) also wrote to let us know that he has retired as the External Relations Manager for ScotRail (though he agreed to take up the position of ScotRail’s first Honorary Rail Ambassador following his retirement). During his career John spent seventeen years working for the Department of Environment and Transport as well as his nearly two decades with ScotRail.

Lester Hillman (1970) delivered the 2017 annual Edinburgh Philosophical Institution lecture. He chose as his subject *Richard Hannay one hundred years on*. Three things drew Lester to the character of Richard Hannay as created by John Buchan: exploring Buchan’s military insights, the large part played by aviation in *The Thirty-Nine Steps* and a familiarity with London locations such as that featured in *The Three Hostages* with its focus on the Gospel Oak district and a mythical tree. From these there has grown an interest that spans such activities as lectures, articles, themed walks and research. Buchan offered the Mastership of St Catharine’s in the 1930s, but turned us down.

Professor Sir John Baker (Fellow 1971, Honorary Fellow) points out that the well-known 1690 picture by David Loggan of the proposed closed court at St Catharine’s (reproduced on page 125 of the 2016 Magazine) is not in fact an etching, but a line engraving. See also Clifford Darby (1925) and Richard Stedman (1948).

John Little (1972, Fellow 1980) has been appointed a Vice-President of the Football Association.

David Mellor (1973) writes that he has been made an Honorary Senior Visiting Fellow at the Cass Business School and elected a fellow of the Guild of Entrepreneurs. In 2015 he published *Inspirational Gamechangers* and the third of his *Crew to Captain* trilogy – *Commander of the Fleet*.

Frank Penson (1974) and his wife, Sarah (Girton 1973), closed their consultancy business, Strategies for Training, at the end of October 2016. The business gave them great enjoyment over 22 years and the privilege to work in many different sectors and geographies, but for 2017 and beyond they decided to focus their time and energies on other things.
Sebastian Chitty (1977) who read veterinary medicine at Catz, writes to say that he is now a self-employed tutor. ‘After some years specialising in maths tuition, I am now also tutoring pupils in all the sciences at GCSE and A-level.’

Nicholas Cox (1977), formerly Principal Clarinet for the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra, is now Senior Tutor (Clarinet) at the Royal Northern College of Music and also happily freelancing for orchestras throughout the UK.

Deborah Cox (née Brown, 1980) moved to Germany in January 2016, to take up a post as Senior Application Engineer with specialist software company DlgSILENT GmbH, based about 30 miles south of Stuttgart. She writes ‘I am very much enjoying my new life here, surrounded by the hills of the Swabian Alb. Time outside work is spent learning German, tending my garden and singing with a local chamber choir.’

Sandy Burnett (1983) occasionally collaborates in musical events with the Master’s son James Welland. Sandy writes that he did not at first realise the Catz connection. Sandy read music in the early eighties, when his director of studies was Peter le Huray. Sandy says ‘Sadly Peter died much too young just a few years later, but his widow Bridget is still going strong. Indeed when I took a Bach lecture tour to the Bachfest in Leipzig in June for ACE Cultural Tours I was honoured and thrilled that she wanted to join us as part of the group.’

Lilian Greenwood (1984), MP for Nottingham South, has been elected Chair of the Transport Select Committee. She has previously served as Shadow Minister and Shadow Secretary of State for Transport.

Allison Burns (1985) writes that she now works under her married name Allie Esiri. She has created two poetry apps and had three poetry anthologies published. The apps have audio by several well-known actors and actresses including Helen Bonham-Carter, Emma Watson, Bill Nighy etc. For more information see www.iLiterature.net.

Suk Pannu (1986) writes to say that his radio comedy drama series Mrs Sidhu Investigates will be broadcast on Radio 4 in the autumn of 2017. Meera Syal stars as Slough’s answer to Miss Marple, a nosey Indian aunty obsessed with murder. Alongside her, Justin Edwards plays her long-suffering police contact Inspector Burton.

Claire Taylor (1986, née Soulsby), formerly Pro Vice-Chancellor at St Mary’s, London, has been appointed Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Wrexham Glyndŵr University.

Rupert Jeffcoat (1989) writes ‘At Catz I read music under the illuminating gaze of Peter le Huray and Dean Sutcliffe. Parts of the Music course were inspirational, and I am sure something of the rigour and vigour of Cambridge contributed to my being appointed Music Director of Coventry Cathedral when only 26. Some years later, I also trained to be a priest and some of the characters of Cambridge life doubtless played a part in this discovery too. I was awarded my PhD last year (University of Salford) on my thesis Composition as Recreation; it explores several dozen ways of re-composing Bach, and highlights how writing music exposes a composer’s background and heritage. I hope to go on and explore how vital music is to philosophy (five hundred years ago, this would be the other way round!) and how a better appreciation of music’s role would help.’

Andy Jones (1990) has been training to swim the English Channel for the last two and a half years. He writes ‘Despite some rather severe setbacks in the last twelve months (knee surgery, hip failure, hip replacement and then emergency revision of said hip replacement) I’m pleased to say that on 8 August 2017 I successfully swam the English Channel in 10 hours 28 mins – a rather swift time if I may say so myself!’

The untimely death of Sean Mulherin (1990) in 2004 due to cancer is commemorated with a bench named for him in the main court. A number of Sean’s contemporaries visited College in November 2016 and made use of the bench as illustrated. From the left: Hal Drakesmith, Peter Wilson, Nick Line, Robert Shillinglaw, Guy Rodwell, Patrick Atkinson – all 1990.
Sarah Crown (1996), having been Literary Editor for the *Guardian* and the Editor of *Mumsnet*, has been appointed Director for Literature at the Arts Council and also its Regional Director for the South West.

Charlotte Heiss (1997) is now Group Chief Legal Officer and Company Secretary for the RSA Insurance Group, making her the youngest Executive in the FTSE 100.

Hamish Symington (1999) writes that he has sold his share of Light Blue Software, a company he set up with Tom Catchesides (Selwyn, 1999), and is to start a PhD in Plant Sciences at Cambridge in October 2017, looking at how to improve the pollination of the field bean. He has chosen to move to Jesus as a postgraduate student but assures us that he remains fond of the College.

Dr Sriya Iyer (Fellow 2000) convened an International Economic Association Roundtable on The Economics of Religion in St Catharine’s in July 2017. The Roundtable brought together some of the world’s most distinguished economists and other scholars to debate the role of religion. The topics discussed included the kind of religion we need, religious freedoms, institutions and economic growth. The Roundtable also reflected on how economic research must adapt to aid policy-making, given the increasing incidence of religion-related conflict worldwide. A contributed volume entitled *Advances in the Economics of Religion* will be published under the IEA Series that will consolidate the Roundtable’s lively discussions.

Sean O’Harrow (Development Director 2002–7) has left his post as Director of the Iowa University Museum of Art and returned to Honolulu, where he graduated from the University Laboratory School and where he is now the new Director of the Honolulu Museum of Art.

Dean Montgomery (2007) has received a doctorate in Medical Imaging from the University of Edinburgh. His PhD thesis was entitled *Improving Radiotherapy Using Image Analysis and Machine Learning*. See also Notices.

Hardeep Grewal (2008) obtained a mark in the top ten highest in the world in the Strategic Case Study Examination of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants. The notification letter says ‘To be among the top ten in the world is regarded by CIMA as a considerable achievement.’

George Nash (2008), Olympic gold medal winner and World Champion oarsman, announced his retirement from rowing in November 2016 in order to take up a career as a research and development engineer. The Cambridge News featured a full-page article about Nash’s rowing career the following month. George writes that he has really enjoyed the life, but admits it was very stressful. See also Honours and Awards in this Magazine.

Bill Sutherland (Fellow 2008), the Miriam Rothschild Professor of Conservation Biology at Cambridge, has been selected as a Highly Cited Researcher, his work being identified as among the more valuable and significant in his field. This is a distinction earned by very few researchers.

Wei Kang Tchou (2010) has made a donation to the College Library in honour of Emeritus Fellow Dr Philip Oliver.

Theresa Maier (2014). Following her News in the 2016 Magazine about the JustMilk project for feeding life-saving drugs to third world infants, Theresa writes that she subsequently won two international competitions. Together with her team she won the International Merck Innovation Cup for pitching a novel approach to fighting a global health burden, selected from nearly 1000 competitors worldwide, and she also won the individual competition at the 2017 Novartis International Biotechnology Leadership Camp.

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP**

Each year the Society Secretary writes to the known partners or next-of-kin of those members whose deaths were announced in the previous Magazine, unless they have requested that no more contact be made. The Society offers them Associate Member status. Associate Members of the Society do not have voting rights but they continue to receive the Magazine and are included in the Society records so that they can be invited to the annual Reunion in College and to any events organised by Society branches. They may also receive invitations to other appropriate events that are arranged from time to time. In this way we hope to encourage them to keep in touch with the Society and the College, and we are always pleased when they agree to do so.
ST CATHARINE’S GUILD

Celebrating St Catharine’s Day wherever you are.

The Guild was formed in 1969 on the initiative of the then master, Professor Rich, and was originally based entirely upon alumni taking Christian communion. In 2007 the Governing Body agreed that, in order to embrace other faiths and beliefs, the original purpose of the Guild be redefined ‘to encourage members of the College, wherever they may be, to remember the College according to the tradition and spirituality of their faith, on or around 25 November (St Catharine’s Day) and to inform the Chaplain that they have done so’.

This year we pray by name for the following who remembered the College in 2016 at the places listed:

- Ian Beer (1951), St Michael and All Angels, Ledbury, Herefordshire
- Mark Bonney (1975), Ely Cathedral, Cambridgeshire
- David Bradley (1958), All Saints East Sheen, Richmond upon Thames, London
- Douglas Calder (1957), St Alban’s, Cayman Islands
- David Cruttenden (1967), Christchurch Borrowdale, Harare, Zimbabwe
- Bevis Cubey (1956), St Cuthbert’s Lorton, Cockermouth, Cumbria
- Larry Culliford (1968), St Andrew and St Cuthman in Steyning, West Sussex
- Ian Fletcher (1962), St Michael’s, Tilehurst, Reading, Berkshire
- Ian Goodfellow (1958), St Andrew’s Whitchurch, Tavistock, Devon
- Colin Kolbert (1956) St Peter’s, Coton, Cambridgeshire
- Anthony Minchin (1956), St Cyr’s, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire
- Robert Morgan (1960), St Andrew’s, Sanford-on-Thames, Oxfordshire
- Charles B Palmer (1963), St Paul’s Howell Hill, Ewell, Surrey
- Christopher Powell (1985), St Francis House, Guildford
- Alan Stokes (1964), St Devenick’s Church in Aberdeen, Scotland
- Peter G Stevens (1972), St. Michael and All Angels, Tennenhall, Wolverhampton
- Geoffrey Stokell (1950), Wantage Methodist Church, Oxfordshire
- Geoffrey Willett (1946), St Mary the Virgin, Goldington, Bedfordshire
- Alan Wilkinson (1951), Chichester Cathedral, Chichester

Please let the Chaplain know if you keep St Catharine’s Day. Drop a note to the Chaplain at College (address inside the back cover) or email chaplain@caths.cam.ac.uk and include your matriculation year and details of the church or other institution at which you celebrated if appropriate. The Chaplain will then be able to pray for you by name on St Catharine’s Day the subsequent year. Any other news is also welcome and will be passed to the Editor of the Magazine for inclusion in News of Members.

In addition to those listed above, Lieutenant J James Lawrence Rojek, The Old Guard, United States Army, wrote to the Chaplain ‘I am writing to inform you that I observed St Catharine’s Day today at Holy Eucharist at Christ Church (Episcopal), Georgetown, Washington, DC, USA. I am not a proper alumnus, but I did study and reside at St Catharine’s during long vacation in 2006 whilst completing my master’s degree in organ at Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia. I had the pleasure to practice on the Chapel organ many times, and the College still holds a special place personally. Best wishes to you and your ministry at the College.’
EARLY MAPS

The evolution of the buildings of St Catharine’s as shown on historic plans of Cambridge

Brian Robson (1958) writes

The interesting article in the 2016 Magazine by Karen Lim on the late 17th-century rebuilding of the College prompted me to look again at some of the historic maps and plans of Cambridge to see how faithfully they depict the changing shape of St Catharine’s over time. There is a large number of historic town plans of Cambridge, especially from the 19th century, but unsurprisingly the sequence of plans illustrates two of the common failings of cartographers and map publishers: their understandable practice of blithely copying the work of fellow map-makers; and the temptation to show proposed developments that subsequently may not have materialised. These can be seen in the maps both of the pre-17th-century College and the buildings of the new College.

There are two very early printed plans of Cambridge, one by Richard Lyne in 1574, and a second by John Hammond in 1592. Lyne’s plan was produced to illustrate John Caius’s history of the University, Historia Cantabrigiensis Academiae. The plan is essentially a pictorial representation of the town with north to the top (Figure 1). It was subsequently copied by a host of later map-makers. For example, it was the basis of John Speed’s 1610 plan on his map of Cambridgeshire oriented with north-west to the top; and this in turn was copied by Rutger Hermannides in his 1661 Magna Britannia, and by JC Beer in c1690 (in a curious copy which transposed east and west). It was also the model for the plan of the town by Georg Braun and Franz Hogenberg in the second volume of their six-volume Civitates Orbis Terrarum which was oriented with east at the top (Figure 2), which required some imaginative reconfiguration of the views of buildings (including mistakenly rendering King’s Chapel with an interior courtyard or cloister). The Braun plan was republished with minimal changes by the Dutch cartographer Jan Jansson in 1657, and in turn was copied at a smaller scale by Thomas Jefferys and published in 1776 in The Gentleman’s Magazine. It was also the basis for a rather sketchy plan by Coronelli in c1706. The Lyne plan was therefore copied in various guises, although never acknowledging Lyne’s authorship, for well over a century and with some examples continuing to use the unchanged image long after the 17th-century rebuilding of the College.

Figure 1. Detail from Lyne’s 1574 plan. Trumpington Street is on the right. ‘St Catherine [sic] hall’ is on the right of Mill Street (now Queens’ Lane).

Figure 2. Detail from Braun and Hogenberg’s 1575 plan. Trumpington Street is at the top.
However the early shape of St Catharine’s was best depicted by Hammond in his masterly plan of 1592, about which Clark and Gray wrote so enthusiastically in their *Old Plans of Cambridge* of 1921 (and in which they reproduced six early Cambridge plans). The only known complete copy of Hammond’s nine-sheet plan is in the Bodleian and is in a very damaged state. There is a single copy of the central sheet which is in much better condition, but that central plate just misses the St Catharine’s site. Hammond’s plan is partly pictorial, depicting individual buildings, and partly a true vertical plan (Figures 3a and 3b); for example, unlike Lyne who shows Silver Street as a simple straight line, Hammond captures the curve and narrowing of the street as it approaches the Cam. On the plot of land bounded by Trumpington Street, Silver Street, Queens’ Lane and King’s Lane – which the College gradually acquired from Queens’ and a variety of private owners – Hammond shows that the early College consisted simply of two very small courts fronting onto what now is called Queens’ Lane. The tiny closed-in court on the north had a chapel extending beyond it to the east, and the court on the south had an open side facing the large garden that was then owned by Queens’.

There is a rather crude pictorial plan of the town in Fuller’s *History* in 1636 (Figure 4), but this shows no changes to the College since it does not depict the new College building on Walnut Tree Court which was completed in 1634. St Catharine’s is shown simply as a schematic court, Silver Street and Queens’ Lane are crudely shown as straight lines, and most buildings are shown by identical conventional images. Apart from this unhelpful plan, there appear to have been no new on-the-ground surveys of the town until the plan by the draughtsman and engraver, David Loggan, who published his *Cantabrigia Illustrata* in 1690.

Figure 3a. Detail from Hammond’s plan of 1592. Trumpington Street cuts diagonally across bottom right.

Figure 3b. Clark and Gray’s sketch of the relevant section of Hammond’s plan.

Figure 4. Detail from the 1636 plan in Fuller’s History. Trumpington Street is on the right; St Catharine’s is shown as ‘IX’.
Loggan produced handsome plans of both Oxford and Cambridge although the timing of his two plans may be thought somewhat unfortunate since they coincided with the rebuilding of many of the colleges – more particularly in Oxford – so that some of the new buildings were missed and others shown in their anticipated rather than their realised form. This was certainly true of St Catharine’s where rebuilding was still in progress when Loggan produced his plan in 1688. Both his plan and his view of the College clearly drew not on the actual developments but on what appears to have been a proposal for the long-term development of the new buildings – a traditional closed court characteristic of most of the Oxbridge colleges (Figure 5). So Loggan’s town plan shows an anticipated completed quadrangle, despite the fact that an eastern range was never built, and in 1688 the chapel was still to be built and the south range still to be extended beyond the old Master’s Lodge. Nevertheless, what his plan does make clear is that the College was then still firmly oriented towards Queens’ Lane and was cut off to the east by the row of properties that fronted Trumpington Street between Silver Street and King’s Lane just beyond The Bull Inn.

Loggan’s town plan re-appeared in unchanged form some thirty years later since the Leiden publisher Pieter van der Aa copied Loggan’s work in part 10 of the monumental series of views and plans which he completed in 1729 in 66 parts and published as La Galerie Agreeable du Monde in 27 volumes. He drew directly on Loggan to show the imaginary quadrangle both in his view of the College and in his plan of the town (Figure 6).

There was a dearth of plans of Cambridge in the 18th century, and the next formal survey of Cambridge was by the Chesterton-based surveyor and publisher William Custance in 1798. His handsome plan shows the completed shape of the rebuilt College, with the unbuilt eastern side of the court now open to Trumpington Street and divided from it only by a grove of trees (Figure 7). It also faithfully depicts the scatter of non-collegiate buildings in the remainder of the eventual College plot between King’s Lane and Silver Street, and it shows a very clear depiction of the Black Bull Inn with its interior yard stretching back all the way to Queens’ Lane. The building shown in bold to the south of the College court was (I think) the University’s anatomical lecture room. Overall, the Custance plan of the whole town shows how relatively little had changed in the century since Loggan’s plan of a century

![Figure 5. Loggan’s plan of 1688. Trumpington Street is at the bottom: St Catharine’s is shown as ‘D’](image)

![Figure 6. Detail from Van der Aa’s plan of 1729. Trumpington Street is at the bottom.](image)
earlier. The open fields still hemmed in the town since they were only enclosed between 1802 and 1807 which enabled the 19th-century expansion of Cambridge with development in New Town in the south, Barnwell in the east and Chesterton in the north.

Custance’s plan provided the basis for a host of 19th-century plans published either for atlases, guide books, or to accompany histories of the town. Typical plans include those by Cole and Roper in 1804 (Figure 8), the Lysons’s in their Magna Britannia of 1808, Richard Harraden in 1810, Thomas Moule in 1837, and John Le Keux, a London-based engraver of Huguenot descent, in his 1842 Memorials of Cambridge. All show an unchanged shape to the College (and, indeed, a largely unchanging shape to the town as a whole). It is clear that they simply copied or drew heavily on existing plans – almost certainly Custance’s, or the later formally-surveyed plan of Cambridge and its immediate environs produced by the local Cambridge surveyor Richard Baker in 1830.

This sequence of plans of Cambridge captures the dramatic transformation of the College in the 17th century, but it also nicely illustrates the caveat that the evidence of maps needs to be carefully cross-checked with documentary and other evidence and that confidence in the accuracy of town plans should best be restricted to those known to derive from formal on-the-ground surveys – and even they may not be a faithful record of what was on the ground at the time of a survey, as is clear from Loggan’s plan of the College (and indeed from a similar creation of a mythical closed quadrangle shown for Downing College in the plan of the town published by Harraden & Son in 1810 that was in turn copied in a later plan published by Norris Deck for a guide book of c1861). This is not to gainsay the value of historic town plans, but to caution that they need to be ‘read’ with care. The advent of large-scale plans produced by the Ordnance Survey in the second half of the 19th century changed the degree to which one can have confidence in the accuracy and comprehensiveness of the details of what was shown to be on the ground at the time when the plans were published; hence the details of the College’s later expansion and change after the initial building of Main Court are accurately recorded in the successive editions of the OS 25-inch, 50-inch, 5-foot and 10-foot plans of the town that were produced by OS surveys from the latter part of the 19th century.
250TH ANNIVERSARY OF ADDENBROOKE’S HOSPITAL

Anthony Davenport (Fellow 1995) and Colin Higgins (College Librarian) write

There are over fifty teaching hospitals in England, but remarkably only two of these have been named after a benefactor. It is 250 years since Addenbrooke’s, now the major teaching hospital in East Anglia, opened in Cambridge. In 1719, John Addenbrooke (1697), scholar, fellow and bursar, left in his will just over £4500, ‘to … erect a small, physical hospital in the town of Cambridge for poor people.’ It took another forty years to realise his bequest, as a result of financial and legal difficulties. In 1759 Chancery appointed new trustees, who purchased a site on the outskirts of the town in Trumpington Street (now the University Judge Institute). Crucially, representatives of the University, borough and county devised a scheme where annual subscriptions from individuals (typically clergy including fellows of the colleges, parishes and landed gentry) were used to fund the building and staff, enabling the hospital to open on 13 October, 1766 with twenty beds, three surgeons and three physicians. In return, each subscriber could nominate patients to be treated in the hospital and eleven were treated in the first week. Like many great ideas, Cambridge was ahead of Oxford, preceding the (John) Radcliffe Infirmary by four years. A year later by Act of Parliament, the trustees made over their funds and responsibilities to a corporation, securing the future of the hospital.

Addenbrooke’s grew rapidly during the 19th and early 20th centuries and by the 1950s needed to expand. In 1959, building began on a new 66-acre site south of Cambridge, and the first phase of the hospital was opened in May 1962, followed by the School of Clinical Medicine in 1976. A further landmark was achieved in 1993, when Addenbrooke’s, Fulbourn, the Rosie maternity hospitals together with their associated community services, combined to form the Addenbrooke’s NHS Trust. The biomedical campus now encompasses the largest cancer research centre in Europe, as well as the third incarnation of the Laboratory of Molecular Biology, where the structure of DNA was originally discovered. Addenbrooke’s is probably the only NHS hospital surrounded by farmland and continues to be able to expand. Today, the skyline is dominated by cranes with new buildings for the University and to relocate Papworth Hospital. It is a testament to the international reputation of biomedical

The original Hospital in Trumpington Street.
research within the University that the campus has become the mecca of pharmaceutical companies: GlaxoSmithKline will be joined by research laboratories and headquarters of Astra-Zeneca and Medimmune.

The College has marked the 250th anniversary with the establishment of an annual John Addenbrooke lecture, as part of the amalgamated societies programme. The inaugural lecture was by a distinguished neurologist and former warden of Green College, Oxford, Lord Walton (now deceased) entitled A Doctor in the House. In 2017, Sir Keith Peters FRS, formerly Regius Professor of Physic, delivered Mind the Gaps: challenges in translational medicine. These have been a resounding success, strongly supported by students and fellows of the College and the wider biomedical community. Emeritus Fellow Professor John Pickard (1990), formerly Director of Studies in Clinical Medicine, also rectified the absence of any named prizes in medicine with the generous establishment of the John Addenbrooke prizes awarded to the candidate with the highest marks in each year of the Medical Science Tripos. Support for these prizes continues through the generosity of the current Director of Studies in Clinical Medicine, Professor Nicholas Morrell.

These activities to commemorate John Addenbrooke have been complemented by the permanent exhibition of the books that he left to the College in 1718 in the Ramsden Room, partly funded from the legacy of Dr Robert Evans (Fellow 1947–77, Emeritus Fellow 1977–2005) and his wife Betty.

Of the 187 volumes donated by Addenbrooke, 184 remain in our possession today. As listed in the Library’s contemporary catalogue, the books were ordered by size, and appear to have been shelved in their own bookcase. They were integrated into the main library sequence after Bishop Sherlock’s bequest of the mid-eighteenth century. In bringing the books back together in the Ramsden Room, we took the opportunity to re-sequence them according to our original manuscript listing. This may reflect the way Addenbrooke arranged them on his own shelves.

While the majority of Addenbrooke’s books are on medical topics, and so might be assumed to have formed a working collection, his library can also be understood as a physical representation of his interest in the history of his subject, in the exotic and the curious, and his wider collecting activities.
While most of the definitive sixteenth and seventeenth century works of medical literature and reference are contained within the library, works on history, classical literature, and the physical sciences are also well represented. For the most part, the books are clean, unmarked copies, in contemporary bindings. Addenbrooke does not appear to have written in any of them. The full catalogue may be viewed on the College Library website.

After he graduated, John Addenbrooke gave lectures from 1705 onwards in materia medica, a subject that has now evolved into pharmacology, the science of medicines. In 1711, when he left Cambridge to practise privately in London, he left his chest containing examples of shoots, roots, leaves and barks (that were used to teach the medical students) as well as mineral specimens, fossils and several rare ethnographic curiosities. With support from the Thriplow Charitable Trust, art historian Henrietta Ryan, working with the College Librarian, Colin Higgins, drew up an inventory of the cabinet in the summer of 2016. The resulting report may be found on the College website. We hope that it represents the beginning of a research project rather than the end of one.

Addenbrooke’s vision was remarkable – he became the first Englishman to bequeath his wealth to establish one of the first provincial hospitals for the poor. His philanthropy anticipated (by over two hundred years) free health care for all through Bevan’s National Health Service Act in 1946. We do not know what motivated John Addenbrooke to make this bequest as all his papers were destroyed on his death. We know that his medical contemporaries treated the poor associated with their colleges gratis and perhaps the tradition of benefaction within St Catharine’s was his inspiration. What is certain is his legacy was the spark that has evolved over 250 years combining on the same site, an internationally renowned hospital and University departments of medical science, arguably one of the most important benefactions in Cambridge.

See also previous articles in the Magazine: John Addenbrooke MD by AW Langford, serialised in 1935 pp43–5; 1936 pp61–6; 1937 pp61–6; and John Addenbrooke – Fellow, Benefactor and Man of Mystery by AP Davenport, 2008 p107.
THE DAVID ATTENBOROUGH BUILDING

Professor Bill Sutherland (Fellow 2008) writes
The David Attenborough Building, home to the biodiversity campus of the Cambridge Conservation Initiative, has had a high profile both within the global conservation community and within the University – last year it was highlighted in the brief paragraph describing the University in the Sunday Times Good University Guide. With almost 500 scientists, the wide range of interests is emphasized by there being only a dozen seniors who are Cambridge University staff – but St Catharine’s is well represented: Professor Rhys Green was an undergraduate here, Dr David Aldridge is a College Teaching Officer and I am a Professorial Fellow. Furthermore, as described below, PhD student Anca Serban spoke at the opening. The College also acts as a home for the annual Student Conference in Conservation Science, which brings in students from around the world to inspire and educate them in conservation.

For various reasons Cambridge has gradually accumulated a remarkable number of conservation organisations, the largest group in the world, and the idea of having one central hub for all the conservation activity taking place in Cambridge and its surroundings has been discussed for a number of years. After exploring other options, the Arup Building, as it then was, became a possible home. This was a 1970s concrete lump of new brutalism architecture – ‘Cambridge’s most elating piece of Brutalism’ in the words of architectural historian Barnabas Calder – in the cluttered centre of the New Museum site, which was most famous for the Zoology Museum’s fin whale skeleton dangling under one edge. The building was spectacularly ugly, dingy and it leaked. The transformation to The David Attenborough Building included bashing through the centre to create a spectacular light-filled atrium dominated by a four-floor-high green wall that took my breath away when I first visited and still gives me delight each day. With a green roof and banks of solar panels it is hoped to exemplify environmentally sensitive construction.

The decision was made to name the building after David Attenborough to acknowledge his inspiring role in nature conservation. The green wall was shown to him and the Cambridge Conservation Initiative’s Advisory Board when they visited the building site. The Board were asking the usual questions about watering and maintenance and, when told about the abseiling points at the top, Sir David said he could abseil down it during the building’s opening. To our astonishment, a few weeks before his 90th birthday, he stuck to his promise – which meant that the opening made news across the world as he said ‘there are few things more important in the world today than what you are doing here’.

What of the much-loved fin whale? It was suffering from being exposed to the heat and cold so has now been relocated, Damien Hirst style, into an adjacent huge glass structure, where it hangs above the new, fittingly grand, entrance to the University’s world-renowned Museum of Zoology. Its previous space will become a café when the completely refurbished museum reopens.

Anca Serban (2013) writes
The opening ceremony began with a series of workshops highlighting the value of joint projects between conservation practitioners and research...
groups based in the new building, followed by addresses from Sir David himself and other prominent speakers (including Professor Bill Sutherland). The session concluded with presentations by two graduate students who have had the opportunity to work in this new environment and benefit from its vibrant and creative space. I was one of those students.

As a final year PhD student in the Geography Department and a member of the University of Cambridge Conservation Research Institute, I am linking anthropology, economics and conservation research to address issues related to the intersection of land use, biodiversity conservation and food production. Agriculture is the single most important driver of biodiversity loss, so how do we feed the planet at the lowest expense for biodiversity?

When I walk inside the Attenborough building I feel inspired by its powerful name, but I am also reminded of the urgent and pressing needs of our planet. I hope that this place is not only the most exciting place on the planet to be working in conservation, but also somewhere that is remembered, years from now, as an environment that cultivated ideas and activities which grew to have global impact on critical issues, like the relationship between biodiversity and agriculture.

25 YEARS A CATZ PORTER

Dom Mulcrone, who retired in September 2017, writes

Just before I left the RAF in September 1991 I attended a resettlement course with Pan Am in Miami. After six weeks intensive training, I obtained a Flight Despatchers Licence. Returning to the UK I found to my dismay that the airline business had shrunk and so no jobs were available for a newly qualified despatcher.

I had lived in St Ives, a small town 15 miles west of Cambridge, since 1981, but, for one reason or another, had hardly ever visited the city. With no jobs in the aviation industry I started to look in the local papers to see what was available. One job that kept cropping up was for college porters. I applied to St John's for Deputy Head Porter. There were 15 academics on the panel and it was like Michelangelo's painting of the last supper – very imposing. Homerton next, but no joy there either.

I next tried my luck at St Catharine's. The interview took place in the OCR with a panel of three, the Dean (Dr Peter Tyler), Bursar (Rear Admiral Tony Norman) and the Head Porter (Mr Jim Monument). They sat at one table with me, the interviewee, on a separate table in the middle of the room. The interview seemed to go well, but, alas, I didn't get the job. I found out later that I was considered too young at 43 as the average age in the lodge must have been around 60. I managed to get myself a part time position as an Operations Officer with Fortes at Stansted Airport, but, three
weeks later, just as I had finished training, a phone call from the Rear Admiral offered me the job. That was in May 1992 and, with a word from Dr Michael Message, the next year I was Deputy Head and in 1994 Head Porter. That was 23 years ago – where have the years gone? Five Masters, four Deans, three Bursars, five thousand students and hundreds of wonderful colleagues. Not so long ago it was not unusual for staff to stay employed by the College for 30 years or more. The students knew their gyps or bedmakers and often came back to see them.

Life in College has changed so much since 1992. When I first joined, mobile phones, personal computers and emails were just coming into their own. We had a message board outside the Porters’ Lodge where phone messages received by the duty porters would be placed. In those days you knew the majority of the students by name. I think of it like a sandwich, with a very thin layer of filling being the students you didn’t know and the bread those you did. Nowadays I am sorry to say that the filling has grown and it can be very embarrassing after three years to have to ask a student his or her name.

I have had some interesting times over the years and remember with glee some of the events. Years ago we had the Senate House Run. Gentlemen would undress to their underpants in the College Chapel – with the Chaplain’s consent. They would then run to the Senate House and return with the underpants on their heads. We always locked the Chapel when we knew this was going to happen, but the Chaplain always unlocked it for them. One of the last times it occurred there must have been 200 students lining Trumpington Street.

2001 was the year the Mail on Sunday had a go at us for ‘Naked Women’ running round Main Court. This news went worldwide. The poor Dean started to receive letters from all over – from ‘disgusted of Bournemouth’ to ‘you’re-only-young-once’ from Manchester. This went on for months before it died down. In 2006 the rugby club disgraced themselves at a local hostelry and were banned from the League for the rest of the season by the Dean. Happy memories of May Balls – Jager Bomb with Dom – Vodka luge – ABBA – Brass Monkeys. Happy days.

What will I miss? The Children’s Christmas Party – Former students returning with their young families to say ‘Hello’ – All the friends I have made over the last 25 years.

JOHN BACCHUS DYKES (1843)

John Shelton Reed (Honorary Fellow) writes
The Revd John Bacchus Dykes (1823–76) has been characterized as ‘the most representative and successful composer of Victorian hymn tunes’. He wrote more than 300 altogether. 56 were included in the 1875 edition of Hymns Ancient and Modern, and a dozen are in The English Hymnal of 1906 because they were simply too popular to leave out, despite Ralph Vaughan Williams’s dislike for Victorian hymnody.

Many are still very much in use today. Holy holy holy (Nicaea), for instance, was often sung at my boyhood church in the mountains of east Tennessee. Eternal Father strong to save (Melita), commonly known as The Naval Hymn, is sung every Sunday at worship services on the ships of the Cunard Line. The King of Love my shepherd is (Dominus Regit Me) was sung at the funeral of Princess Diana, just before Elton John’s Candle in the Wind.

A cursory glance at YouTube shows these hymns being sung by the choir of the Roman Catholic Cathedral of St Patrick in New York; by a Jamaican gospel ensemble called the Grace Thrillers; and at the Chelmsford Citadel of the Salvation Army, the chapel of the United States Naval Academy, a Baptist church in Rio de Janeiro, a Methodist chapel in Calcutta, a Lutheran seamen’s mission in Hamburg and a
Pentecostal service in Jakarta. You’ll also find concert performances by the Black Soul Gospel Group, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the Ohio State University Marching Band.

At any given moment, all over the world, people are walking around with tunes by JB Dykes lodged in their ears – many are that sort of tune.

In 1996–7 when I was a Visiting Fellow at St Catharine’s, my wife Dale and I usually joined the small but faithful congregation in the College Chapel for Sunday evensong and dinner afterwards. Another regular was Fellow Commoner Revd John Mullett, long-serving Editor of this Magazine. One evening, we were talking about Dykes and John told us that Dykes had been an undergraduate at St Catharine’s in the 1840s. We agreed that the College ought to recognize a member who had been such a prolific and popular composer. Given the nature of his accomplishments, we decided that a plaque in the Chapel would be a sweet and fitting way to do it.

And then we moved on to discuss other things and for the next 15 years or so nothing happened.

In the summer of 2011, however, the choir of St Catharine’s came to Washington on tour, and Dale and I went up to hear them sing. We had dinner with Edward Wickham, the College’s Director of Music, whom we had come to know, and Revd Anthony Moore, the Chaplain at the time. I mentioned to them the long-dormant scheme for honouring Dykes with a plaque and they immediately saw its appropriateness and the possibilities for some sort of ceremonial installation – with music, of course. Anthony urged me to write a letter proposing it, which he could pass on to the Chapel committee and the Governing Body. I did that, pointing out that while a student in the College (graduating with a classics degree in 1847) Dykes had been one of the founders and an early President of the Cambridge University Music Society.

The plan was quickly and, I gather, enthusiastically approved. Ron Martin, then President, was particularly obliging. Anthony drafted an inscription – it was his happy idea to include the phrase ‘Dominus regit me’, the first line of the 23rd psalm and the title of one of Dykes’s most popular tunes – but he didn’t trust his Latin, so he enlisted John Baker to translate it, and John also offered some useful information and advice. All of this took place in a matter of months.

But then we hit a snag. It hadn’t occurred to this American that one doesn’t go around putting up just any old sort of plaque in a Grade I listed building. True, Trinity and John’s have a variety of plaques in their chapels, but the ones at Catz are all of a piece, so a new one would need to resemble them. The machine-engraved plaques that I had been pricing were handsome enough, but resemble the existing plaques they did not. When Anthony got an estimate for a plaque identical to the existing ones – well, let’s just say that was the end of that. We failed to find an affordable alternative and, by the summer of 2013, I gave up. A memorial plaque for John Bacchus Dykes seemed to be an idea whose time had not yet come.

Edward Wickham did not give up though, and when David Neaum came on board a couple of years later as the College’s new Chaplain, Edward told him about the proposal, and he liked it. In October 2017 Edward wrote to say that David had found a source who would provide a suitable plaque for less than a third of the earlier estimate and, after that, things moved very quickly. Edward put together a splendid order of service for a memorial Evensong that included three of Dykes’s best-known hymns and his Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis in F. The Very Revd Mark Bonney (1975), Dean of Ely and a former student of music at Catz, agreed to preach. The College laid on a celebratory feast afterwards for a guest list including many of the great and the good from the musical and ecclesiastical worlds, as well as several of Dykes’s descendants tracked down by my wife, a semi-professional genealogist. The plaque arrived (just barely) in time and was installed in the ante-chapel, and on the evening of 22 January 2017 it was unveiled.

John Bacchus Dykes has touched the lives of millions throughout the world. It is right that his old
College should honour him. I’m grateful that it was done with such style, and my wife and I are proud to have been part of this undertaking.

The Very Revd Mark Bonney (1975) Dean of Ely preached as follows.

I’m so pleased that we’re commemorating a Catz alumnus in such style this evening. When I sang in the choir here I always noted with satisfaction a JB Dykes tune. And when I left I taught for three years in Durham and worshipped at St Oswald’s Church where he was Vicar for thirteen – and where on more than one occasion I crossed the road to the churchyard extension, which went in when Dykes was Vicar, and venerated his grave. I understand the churchyard is now a playground and Dykes’s grave the only marked one within it.

For Dykes himself the writing of hymn tunes had a clear vocational aspect. In a letter of August 1874, not long before his death, he wrote to Professor Monk ‘You, Stainer and Sir Henry laughed at me the other day for apologizing for writing so many hymns. My explanation is that I never think of setting a hymn that is worthily set, where the tune can be got. That would be silly caprice, or vanity of presumption. But if a hymn does not appear to be worthily set, then, I own, I am induced, I may say sometime almost compelled, to try to do my best for it….I know so well the teaching power of hymns, if they are happily wedded, that I am very anxious to do my best (as far as God is pleased to help me) to add to the number of these felicitous unions.’ The teaching power of hymns and their tunes is well said – someone once asked Archbishop Michael Ramsey to recommend a book containing all the heresies of the church and he said ‘Hymns Ancient and Modern’!

John Bacchus Dykes was born in Hull, in March 1823. By the age of ten he was de facto assistant organist at St John’s Church in Myton, Hull, where his paternal grandfather (who had built the church) was vicar. He also played the violin and the piano. He studied first at Kingston College, Hull and then at the West Riding Proprietary School at Wakefield. He matriculated at St Catharine’s as the second ‘Dikes Scholar’ (the second beneficiary after his elder brother, Thomas, of an endowment established in 1840 in honour of his grandfather). Here, as an extra-curricular subject, he studied music under Thomas Attwood Walmisley, whose madrigal society he joined. He was also a member of the Peterhouse Musical Society later renamed the Cambridge University Musical Society, becoming its fourth President. From his diaries we read that on 9 November 1843 ‘we went to a private meeting of the Peterhouse Music Society. They fixed I was to take the piano. Went to Walmisley’s Madrigal Society’. And a little later in 1844 to his sister he wrote ‘Our Musical Society is getting on famously. Walmisley is going to join us. He says it is the most splendid affair since he came to the University.’

A 19th century edition of the Dictionary of Music and Musicians says that ‘The first concert by the newly named Cambridge University Musical Society was held on 1 May 1844. It included Haydn’s Surprise Symphony, and Mr Dykes of St Catherine’s College sang John Parry’s Nice Young Man’.

Dykes graduated in 1847 and was appointed to a curacy at Malton later that year. It was here that he met his wife Susannah whom he married in 1850 after he had moved to Durham – they had five sons and three daughters. On his wedding anniversary in 1864 he wrote, ‘among all the many, many undeserved temporal mercies which surround me, there is none for which I so earnestly and constantly thank God as for my dear wife.’

In 1849 he moved to Durham as minor canon and a little later became the Precentor. During his thirteen years there he worked for higher standards of music and worship, and wrote the tunes mentioned by John Shelton for Holy, holy, holy and Eternal Father strong to save plus Jesu lover of my soul – all of which were submitted for the first edition of Hymns Ancient and Modern in 1860 – the year he was also awarded an Honorary MusD by Durham.

He was instituted on 18 Sept 1862 as vicar of St Oswald’s, but still retained his minor canonry and
an interest in the music at the Cathedral – in September 1863 conducting a great choral festival in the Cathedral and continuing to be in demand for lectures and musical festivals.

Dykes was a serious-minded man – after his ordination a College friend said ‘I remember we tried hard, when he was staying with us in Durham, to get him to sing one of his humorous songs, with which he had delighted our concert audiences in Cambridge, but he said he had made up his mind on taking Holy Orders to forswear them.’ He was very much a Tractarian after the mould of Keble and most concerned for right teaching and doctrine about Christ and the sacraments.

He wrote ‘The whole history of the Church teaches this; that low views of the Sacraments are only one stage removed from low views of Christ himself.’

It was his Tractarian beliefs that were to bring him into painful conflict with his Bishop during the last two years of his life. In 1873 Dykes was hoping for a new curate, but Bishop Baring, an evangelical, said he would only be willing to license the curate if Dykes would agree to certain conditions in the future. These were that the incumbent should not require the curate to wear coloured stoles, to take part in or be present at the burning of incense, or turn his back to the congregation during the celebration of Holy Communion. Dykes was in no way an extreme Anglo-Catholic – in fact in 1866 he had expressed regret when a curate had presented stoles to the parish because he was ‘not anxious for further changes at present’ – but he was very aware that if he gave in to the Bishop all the High Church clergy in the diocese would suffer. He replied that he never used incense, that stoles were not illegal, nor was an eastward facing position. A further exchange of letters resulted with the Bishop giving a curt refusal to license the curate.

The matter ended up at the Court of the Queen's Bench where the judges had no intention of siding with the Dykes, and his appeal was dismissed with hardly any of the evidence being heard.

In the months that followed Dykes wrote an open letter to the Bishop on Eucharistic Truth and Ritual in which he foresaw the restoration of vestments and many ancient ceremonials, not as matters of law but as an enriching of the church's life. He wrote ‘The more the church is thoroughly Catholic, the more
she will show forth the Divine Charity of Catholicity, which does not see Unity in uniformity; and whose loving characteristic it is to be “all things to all men, so that by all means it may save some.”

This letter appeared in August 1874 – he had been running the parish single handed and was, as he often said in his diary, ‘fagged’. In February 1875 there was a suggestion that he might offer himself as a candidate for the Professorship of Music here in Cambridge, but he was ailing badly. He took his last service in St Oswald’s on 7 March after which the doctor ordered complete rest. He spent some time convalescing in Switzerland, then Wharfedale and finally St Leonard’s, but died on 22 January 1876.

It has been said generally that overwork and his battles with the Bishop exacerbated his decline – there is some recent research that suggests things may not be quite as simple as that. Whatever the case, this cannot detract from a devoted and faithful Christian man, a musician of standing in his own day and significant mover in the formation of the fine musical society we know as CUMS and whose memory it’s right and proper to recognize in this Chapel tonight and for him we give God enormous thanks.

Following Evensong a plaque to John Bacchus Dykes was unveiled in the antechapel. The Dean of Chapel and Director of Music thanked John and Dale Reed through whose generosity and patience Dykes and his contribution to the musical life of the Church and University is now appropriately commemorated.

JOHN PURVIS (1909) AND HARRY OTTY (1908)

Jon Lewis (1962) sent a scan of this pen and ink sketch of the fireplace in the old Dining Hall; a friend of his mother’s found it many years ago. The artist, JS Purvis (1909), is mentioned frequently in College Magazines from the first edition in 1927 until his death in 1968. His obituary is in the 1969 edition. The Librarian has also traced ‘HRO’ whose 21st birthday the drawing apparently commemorates. We think this must be Harry Ralph Otty (1908). Harry is also mentioned in Magazines as attending Society events up to 1959.

John Stanley Purvis was born in Bridlington, Yorkshire in 1890. He went up to St Catharine’s in 1909 to read Classics and History, and took his BA in 1912. While at Cambridge he joined the OTC and became a cadet sergeant. After graduating he became an assistant master at Cranleigh School in Surrey. Here he joined the Territorial Force (as the TA was then known) and was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant for service with the Cranleigh School Army Cadet Force. In March 1916 he left Cranleigh for the duration of the war and joined 5th Battalion, the Yorkshire Regiment with the same rank. During the assault on High Wood during the Battle of the Somme his Battalion suffered 258 casualties, of which he was one. When sufficiently recovered he was attached to the Bomb and Trench Mortar School as full Lieutenant, but returned to his regiment in early 1918 and was de-mobbed at the Armistice. While serving on the Western Front, and subsequently, he wrote around fifty war poems under the pseudonym Philip Johnstone. The best known of these are High Wood, an unsettling account of a post-war tourist visit to the site of the battle, and Chance Memory or the Steyning poem below.
I can’t forget the lane that goes from Steyning to the Ring
In summer time, and on the Down how larks and linnets sing
High in the sun. The wind comes off the sea, and Oh the air!
I never knew till now that life in old days was so fair.
But now I know it in this filthy rat infested ditch
When every shell may spare or kill – and God alone knows which.
And I am made a beast of prey, and this trench is my lair.
My God! I never knew till now that those days were so fair.
So we assault in half an hour, and – it’s a silly thing –
I can’t forget the narrow lane to Chanctonbury Ring.

After the war he took his MA and returned to Cranleigh School, where he stayed until 1938. There is still a ‘Purvis Society’ at Cranleigh School in his memory. In 1933 he had taken Holy Orders, and on leaving Cranleigh he became Canon of York Minster.

John Stanley had never completely severed his links with the county of his birth. In due course he was appointed President of the Yorkshire Archeological Society and became one of the great Archivists and Historians of the North Country. In 1958 he was awarded the OBE for services to historical research in York.

He also did much in preparing the way for the University of York, founded in 1963. He remained very much in touch with his old College. In 1957 he became President of the Yorkshire branch of the St Catharine’s College Society, which, judging from the frequent reports in the College magazine, was a very active one.

Outside his own specialisations he was best known as the translator of the York Cycle of Mystery Plays, first performed at the York Festival of 1951. He died in 1968 at the age of 78. His short obituary in the College Magazine centres on his Archivist activities and the ‘world fame’ which his work on the Mystery Plays had brought him, but sadly passes over his life as teacher, soldier, cleric and poet.

His pen and ink drawing of the St Catharine’s College Hall and a sketch of tank involvement during the Somme Offensive show that he also had skills as an artist. The drawing of the College Hall was dedicated to ‘HRO’ on his 21st birthday, unusual initials which have enabled the recipient of the drawing to be identified as Harry Ralph Otty.

Harry Ralph was born in Worcester also in 1890. He read Mathematics and took his BA in 1911. While at St Catharine’s he rowed bow in the Henley crew of 1910 and there is a superb photo of the crew in the 1913 College Magazine.

He enrolled in the Royal Engineers as a ‘pioneer’ in the Signals Company of 39 Division in February 1915 and was immediately put forward for a commission by his company commander. The Gazette reports his appointment as temporary Lieutenant in April 1915. Although 39 Division was not fully mobilized until February 1916, Harry Ralph’s medal card shows that he was already in France at the beginning of the year. The Division was heavily involved in the Battle of the Somme in 1916, the third Battle of Ypres in 1917 and the Battle of the Lys in 1918. It suffered, during the course of the war, nearly 28,000 casualties. At some stage Harry Ralph transferred to the Signal Company of 25 Division – possibly in mid-1918 when 39 Division had been so badly mauled that it had to be withdrawn and reconstituted. The war record of 25 Division was similar to that of 39 Division – it suffered 48,000 casualties and was disbanded in March 1919. By the end of the war Harry Ralph had risen to the rank of Acting Captain. Although he was demobilized in mid-1919, he did so with Class Z reserve status until 1921, although presumably he returned effectively to civilian life in 1919.

Like all other officers and men who entered a theatre of war he was awarded the British Empire and Victory Medals. He also won the 1915 ‘Star’ with mentions. His discharge papers give his profession as Accountant. He had married Charlotte Elizabeth in 1916, and their address was in Reading.

He kept in touch with the College, and attended the occasional annual dinner. He died in 1965.
It was not an expedition to deliver charity. We were the charity. But rather to our own surprise, as we look back on events 55 years ago, the five second year St Catharine’s undergrads who formed themselves into the grandly titled *A Cambridge Expedition to India* made it to India and back overland in a ten-year-old Series 1 short wheel-base Land Rover. Ninety two days and 17,850 miles (according to the milometer but probably more like 13,500!) after we set out we returned healthy and in one piece to Dover.

The expedition was the idea of three of the group who acquired the vehicle, which had been doing heavy duty work on the coast of Scotland, for £100 and spent much time and a little money renovating it. They then recruited two more Cats men looking to extend their travel experience. Using headed notepaper to make it look official we wrote to some 100 firms seeking donations of supplies and provisions to supplement our meagre cash resources. The idea was then sufficiently novel that most of them offered some help. Most important of all was the loan of a brand new half-ton trailer by J Brockhouse & Co. to carry supplies. But from forty or so benefactors came vehicle spares, canned and packaged food, film, and medical supplies and even superior cigarettes in tins which we took to India and sold to raise cash. (Our smokers bought the cheapest local brands.)

Much effort went into planning, budgeting and – critically – getting visas for the many countries through which we would travel – mostly more than once. Embassies were slow and we needed spare supplies of documents to ease our way through customs and police posts. Our route out cut across Bulgaria which was behind the Iron Curtain – we were required to cross on a specific date!

If such a long vacation journey sounds unremarkable by today’s travel standards, it was made at a time when between Ankara and the Pakistan border there were barely 100 miles of tarmac road.

*OVERLAND TO INDIA IN 1962*

*The Team: Christopher Story (Engineering), Francis Marcuard (History), Philip Bowring (History), John Vincent (Engineering) and John Bowie (Law).*
Otherwise it was dirt roads, corrugated or worse. The heavily laden vehicle with trailer was seldom quick enough to ride the corrugations in relative comfort. So it was bumps and dust much of the way there – and back. In Afghanistan, we had to cross a 200-mile desert using our ex-wartime RAF navigation map and steering by compass. Our petrol ran low due to poor mpg over soft terrain but, at one stage, all the tracks conveniently converged on a lone individual selling petrol from drums. Even in Europe there were tough stretches. The log for the 50 miles from Nis (then Yugoslavia, now Serbia) to Caribrod (now Dimitrovgrad) on the Bulgarian border reads: ‘A nightmarish 50 miles of deeply potholed rocky track on which our maximum speed was 8mph. A spring leaf snapped under the pounding…’

We had to carry a lot of water for the vehicle as well as for ourselves as even semi-drinkable supplies were scarce in some places and fuel was a worry too. Heavily laden Land Rovers are thirsty, averaging from 8 to 14 mpg depending on the terrain. In the 400 miles between Quetta and the Iran border there was just one petrol station so even with two 4.5-gallon jerry cans we were anxious. In Iran, too, pumps were hard to find – and mostly hand driven.

The hazards of such a journey then were very different from today. Iran was under the Shah, not Mullahs. There was peace and no Taliban in Afghanistan, just competition in aid-giving between the Soviet Union and the US. The Americans were busy with a water scheme on the Helmand river when we stopped there after getting lost on the road from Farah. Afghanistan was also a delight. We saw the giant standing Buddhas at Bamiyan, since destroyed by the Taliban, and luck and perseverance got us to the amazing sapphire-blue lakes at Band-i-Amir, up a 40-mile mountain track from Bamiyan.

Through the Khyber Pass to Peshawar, we were prevented by a road block from entering Pakistan-administered Kashmir, but once into India were able to head north to Srinagar. The road was only open to essential traffic as military convoys were supplying the Indian Army which was fighting China over the disputed Ladakh area. We managed to talk ourselves into joining a military convoy. This proved fortunate as we stalled crossing one of the fast flowing streams which wash away the road during a rainstorm. One member of the team was briefly swept away but managed to cling on to a tree. He then had recourse to our emergency bottle of brandy. The vehicle was pulled out by courtesy of the convoy’s Indian Army officer who noticed our plight and ordered his men to use an army lorry to pull us out. We cannot think what we would have done if we had lost our Land Rover at this far point from home. There was nothing like modern travel insurance and we had limited cash. As risk assessments were not so common, we had not been prevented from taking the gamble with this risk!

Srinagar saw us on a boat on Lake Dal and a chance meeting in a carpet shop (we didn’t buy any!) with an American gentleman whose card read Curtis LeMay, who just happened to be the then Chief of Staff of the US Air Force – though we didn’t realise at the time. Srinagar provided us with a few
days much needed R&R. We re-packed the Land Rover and took stock. Our budget was overspent due to many vehicle repairs but, as we had not suffered much diarrhoea, we had spare toilet rolls. We auctioned these for ridiculously high prices. It transpired that the American tourists hated Indian loo paper, but quality paper was a banned import. Who would have thought that spare loo rolls would be so valuable as to get us back on budget!

Delhi saw us camping on what must now be some of the world’s most expensive land off Willingdon Crescent (now Mother Teresa Crescent).

Then it was to Rajasthan, the Jain temples at Mount Abu and the lake and palace of Udaipur, the farthest point of our journey. We took a different route on the return journey. Leaving Amritsar for Lahore across the Pakistan border we had an unfortunate incident with a bullock cart, then south through Multan – one of the hottest humid places on earth in mid-summer – then out of the Indus through the hills to Quetta. Then as now it was a hazardous region and we had to sign a document to the effect that the government took no responsibility for our safety through this part of Baluchistan. Now it is Taliban territory. We hoped that our olive green vehicle looked sufficiently military to deter bandits and we closed the canvas roof.

A very long slog through Baluchistan brought us to Iran and back to the worst of roads as we travelled cross-country from Zahidan via Bam and Kerman, several times getting lost and having to ask directions to the next name on the map, before reaching relative comfort at Shiraz. A visit to Persepolis and a couple of days seeing the wonders of Isfahan did much for morale. Meanwhile though, worried families back home had been reading of an earthquake in north-west Iran which killed 12,000. Were we anywhere near, they wondered? We were actually then nearer Zahidan, but only knew of the quake when we got to Shiraz. We had purchased for a song some new tins of pork luncheon meat which had been mistakenly supplied for disaster relief in a Muslim country!
The return was speeded by travelling through the middle of Turkey – Erzerum to Sivas and Ankara rather than the Black Sea route from Ankara to Samsun and Trabzon we had used before. We also avoided the Bulgaria to Nis road by going through Greece. And so to Ostend, the last 2,000 miles being almost non-stop.

So how did we manage this on a beaten up old Land Rover? The first answer lies in the skill of the mechanics we found, especially in Turkey and India, and the wide availability of spare parts. The mechanics knew Land Rovers and how to improvise making new rear springs, new leaves for the front, replacing exhaust systems and re-welding the trailer attachment – we came perilously close to losing the trailer in Kashmir. There was also much which we could do ourselves as, fortunately, one of our group was an engineer who knew Land Rovers. We replaced wheel bearings (frequently!), a cylinder head gasket, a universal joint, the brake cylinder and shoes, not to mention mending punctures, oil leaks and electrical problems. None of these events delayed us for more than a day.

Covering the miles was relentless and uncomfortable – three sitting in the front, one astride the gear lever, two in the back among the gear and minimal personal belongings. The vehicle was open unless it rained so we were covered with dust most of the time and often had few opportunities to wash. We ignored most of the advice about protective clothing and were mostly in shorts and nothing else – apart from the central Turkey and Afghanistan where we were at three to five thousand feet.

Sure we were lucky. Many scorpions but no stings, let alone snake sightings, in three months of rudimentary camping. Mostly we just placed camp beds on the ground and covered them with mosquito netting which didn’t always work, in a sleeping bag in the colder regions. If it rained, makeshift sheets were slung from the vehicle frame. No more than two cases of bad diarrhoea despite having to get water from streams in Afghanistan and not having the capacity to boil enough to consume. In India and less often in Iran we ate locally, but otherwise we bought bread and fruits and mainly lived off our supplies, snacking as we drove, but usually cooking something in the evening on a loaned two-burner petrol stove.

We had delays with frontier bureaucracy to contend with and borders only open from 9am to 5pm. We had visas but every time the vehicle crossed a border it had to be exported and then imported even with our carnet and copious documents supplied by the AA.

We naturally attracted attention from bemused locals, especially in Afghanistan. But much assistance and not a hint of hostility from local people accompanied us everywhere in Asia. We surely looked innocent young travellers more in need of guidance than anything else. They were right.

The net cost of this three month journey for five: 491 pounds, 19 shillings and four pence, of which 205 pounds was for petrol. Without a doubt the hero of our journey was the rusty old Land Rover which survived the testing conditions due to its sturdy and simple construction enabling easy repair.

Did we do anything useful for others or for academia? No. But we learned a lot about ourselves as well as other countries. We never had any serious disagreements despite the problems encountered, always looked ahead, and now look back on the journey with a modest sense of achievement.
Andrew Waterworth (1969) writes

When fellow Catsman Harry Creamer (1969) wrote asking if anyone wanted to join him on a trek in Nepal I jumped at the chance. The last time I had trekked there was more than 30 years ago and, with both of us now in our 60s, retired, respective children flown the nest, what better way to test the mantra ‘60 is the new 50’. We knew the six-day trek would test us physically but we weren’t prepared for the emotional impact of what we would see.

Our guide, Tek Rai, recommended a route through the Langtang Valley, the third most popular trek in the country before 25 April 2015. On that day a 7.8 magnitude earthquake shattered Nepal. Its epicentre was just south of the Langtang Valley and an entire village, one of the most popular stops on the trek, was buried by a huge landslide. It was almost two years since the quake had struck so we wondered if the route was open to tourists, but Tek assured us it was.

Our departure point for the trek was Syabrubesi, 80km north of Kathmandu. Our four-wheel-drive journey there took us along winding, pot-holed, dusty roads that clung to precipitous mountain edges, a salutary reminder that Nepal is one of the world’s poorest nations.

By the time we arrived at our modest hotel eight hours later, we felt like we’d been shaken, rattled and jolted non-stop. Harry and I opted for an early night, knowing the next day was going to be a real test of our fitness. Our trek was to take us into the Langtang National Park, along the Langtang river valley, parallel with the Tibet/China border, in the shadow of the mighty peaks of Langtang II (6596m) and Langtang Lirung (7227m). The plan was to hike three days to the village of Kyanjin and then return by the same route.

Monday 6 March

For the first two hours we hiked along the valley until we reached Pairo where we stopped for morning tea. A sign on the tea house said 1700m, which meant we’d only climbed 200m and had another 900 metres to ascend by the end of the day. We’d seen several landslides, evidence of the 2015 earthquake and why it had caused the closure of the track for over a year.

The next two hours took us through alpine forests including patches of rhododendrons with a few in early bloom. At midday, we reached our lunch stop, Bamboo Guest house at 1900m. Less than two years after the earthquake, many teahouses and restaurants are open for business with a surprising range of food and drinks. We kept reminding ourselves – there are no roads or airports up here. Everything comes up on people’s backs, occasionally by donkey. Here, we got a first-hand look at the destructive power of the earthquake. A landslide had hurtled down the mountain directly towards the guest house, tumbling boulders the size of cars like dice. Some had come to rest a mere 30 metres from where we were eating, crushing two of the guest house’s cabins. After lunch, we crossed the Langtang river and
for the next two and half hours it was a lung- and leg-busting hike up to Rimchi at 2399m. Before long, we crossed another landslide, following a narrow path just wide enough for a person or a donkey. Tek advised us not to linger, rock falls were common and potentially dangerous.

We reached our first night’s destination, Lama Hotel at 2500m about 4pm. There was a tremendous sense of achievement. It might only be ‘Day One’ – but it had been a big day, we’d climbed 1100 metres. Amazingly, they had hot showers thanks to solar power. Many guesthouses have solar panels to provide electricity and to heat water for the trekkers. Our dinner of garlic and potato omelette was prepared on a traditional clay oven.

**Tuesday 7 March**

We were on the trail by 8am, another brilliant, sunny day. We took it slow and steady, stopping regularly to drink water — between 3 and 5 litres a day is recommended at altitude. As we headed up the valley, we had awe-inspiring views of Langtang Lirung’s towering 7227m high peak.

Lunch was at Thyangsyap, a guest house at 3140m, a popular stop for trekkers. We met a German father with his grown up son and daughter who were heading back as the father had altitude sickness. He was not the first or last we were to meet suffering the effects – later we saw a young Spanish woman being taken down on a donkey, too ill to walk. From here we had another 200–300 metres of ascent before we would reach the former village of Langtang and as we approached, the enormity of the disaster became apparent. According to the US Geological Survey the debris avalanche that destroyed Langtang village was the largest and most destructive landslide caused by the Nepal earthquake. The quake unleashed an avalanche of snow and ice high on the slopes of Langtang Lirung which gathered speed and debris before it launched off a 1000m high cliff – directly above the village. The people didn’t stand a chance. What wasn’t buried by the massive landslide was flattened by the accompanying air blast. Looking across the valley there were forests of trees, laid flat like corpses all pointing in the same direction. More than 300 people died at Langtang, 175 villagers and at least 125 visitors - guides, porters and trekkers. What made the scene even more poignant was knowing that the majority of the bodies were never recovered, buried up to 50 metres deep beneath the massive pile of rocky debris. As well as the village of Langtang, the landslide destroyed a military outpost and a monastery. Prayer flags fluttered in the wind, carrying thoughts and prayers for those who died here.

That night we stayed at the Flavour Guest House in the upper part of the village of Langtang above the avalanche. The owner was an elderly man who’d lost his wife, son and grandson in the earthquake.
Tek told us many people left the valley for good after the earthquake, the pain and the prospect of rebuilding their lives too much to bear. Those who stayed are doing everything possible to re-open accommodation and restaurants to encourage visitors to return.

Wednesday 8 March
Next day we reached our final destination, Kyanjin, three hours’ hike up the valley. A woman waiting by the path asked if we would stay at her guest house. Tek explained it had been destroyed in the earthquake and in the past year the woman and her husband had put every rupee they had into rebuilding. Our host’s name was Dawa Chenjum Tamang and like many people in this region she was of Tibetan origin. She had a small Buddhist shrine in the dining room which she tended as we tucked into our lunch.

We had reached our journey’s goal at 3830 metres and clouds were swirling around the mountain peaks. The next morning there was snow on the ground and our trek back to Syabrubesi was through a very different looking landscape, ethereal, ghostly and beautiful. This was the Himalaya I remembered from 30 years ago, one that can change moods in a moment. For the people of Langtang Valley, their lives changed dramatically and tragically on 25 April 2015 but with guides like Tek Rai spreading the word that the Langtang trail is open, tourism will bring back life, livelihoods and a future for this beautiful valley.

Postscript by Dr Ian Willis, Cousens Fellow and Director of Studies in Geography
I am indebted to Roger Stratford, the College Magazine Editor, for putting me in touch with Andrew Waterworth, and to Andrew for providing me with a draft copy of his piece with the accompanying photos. I have been undertaking research for the last few years towards the head of the Langtang Valley on the debris-covered Lirung Glacier, and so I read Andrew’s account and sifted through his pictures with great interest. In May 2014, and then again in March 2015, I made precisely the same journey that Andrew and Harry made in 2017, with the, at times, hair-raising bus journey from Kathmandu to Syabrubesi, and the walk up the Langtang Valley to Kyanjin stopping off at the colourful tea houses along the way for the distinctive black or green tea (Kālō or Harvala ciyā (pronounced chee’a)), lunch and dinner (typically the Nepali staple of dal bhat) and nights on wooden bunks at Lama Hotel, Langtang village, and finally Kyanjin. Coincidentally, we even had the same guide leading our trips, the knowledgeable and thoughtful Tek Rai.
Unlike Andrew and Harry, who stayed in Kyanjin for a few days, before returning back down the valley, I hiked further up towards the soaring peak of Langtang Lirung and set up a field camp amongst old huts by the side of the Lirung Glacier at c. 4,300m. From there, I ventured on to the glacier each day for several weeks to set up instruments and collect data. My research, done in collaboration with others, is concerned with better understanding the complex climate of the region, the way in which this interacts with the glaciers to alter their size and shape, and the effects this has on the flow of water in the glacier fed rivers. More specifically, I am interested in the melt processes and hydrology of the glaciers and the role of debris which sits on top of them. The debris tends to increase melt rates where it is thin, as it is dark and so absorbs rather than reflects the sun's rays, but it decreases melt rates where it is thick, as the rocks act like a blanket, protecting the underlying ice from the solar radiation and warm air. Our work is also helping to understand the role of ponds and lakes, which develop in certain places on the debris covered ice, on the glaciers' melt rates. Here, the water bodies may absorb large amounts of solar radiation causing them to heat up; the water then melts the underlying debris covered ice surfaces much more rapidly than if the ponds were not there.

I not only read Andrew's account with interest, but also sadness because in 2014 and 2015 when I visited the region, Langtang village was a large and beautiful community of people, slowly adapting their traditional Tibetan-influenced customs and livelihoods to cater for the growing number of tourists who pass up and down the valley each year. But when Andrew and Harry visited in 2017, Langtang village had been destroyed by the April 2015 earthquake, killing around 310 people. In 2014, I stayed at a modest guest house run by a family of four generations. I sat with them in their kitchen sharing stories as best as the language barrier would allow, while meals were cooked on the traditional open wood burning stoves and we breathed in smoke and spices. In 2015, I stayed at a different hotel, but I visited the family who had been so friendly towards me the year before. They shared a plate of yak meat with me to accompany my Kālō ciyā. The Buddhist tradition prohibits the killing of yaks, which are kept for milk and butter making, but if they die naturally, then the meat is eaten. I have very fond memories of my times with the family but I have been told that they all perished on that terrible day when the earthquake triggered the landslide that overwhelmed the village.

It is good to know from Andrew's account that the Langtang valley is open once again to trekkers. Tourism is by far the major source of income to the region and I hope more people will visit and spend their money generously, to enable the people of the Langtang valley to continue to rebuild their lives.

AN UNEXPECTED HOARD

The Custodian of the College Silver writes
In May 2017, I received an unexpected email from Rob Hodge (1990) informing me of two silver beakers he had seen on eBay. The dealer described them as a ‘magnificent and very large pair of sterling silver beaker cups, fully hallmarked for 1937. This is a stunning pair of silver beaker cups of classic shape with straight tapering sides. Both of the beaker cups have superb chased crests which I believe are for Corpus Christi College, Cambridge’. Rob realised they certainly did not originate from across the road, and kindly contacted the College to see if we were missing any. Whilst these stunning beakers are regularly used by the College, this pair had never been in our inventory. Clues to their provenance were found on their bases: on one was engraved ‘Reminisce Bibendo’ and on the other ‘T.C. Hodson Professor Socio D.D. Societas Catharinensis 1937’. Whilst these beakers were not missing, we did have in our collection an oval fruit dish donated by TC Hodson who was the first Wyse Professor of Social Anthropology in
Cambridge and a fellow from 1932 to his retirement in 1937. In Hodson’s obituary in the 1953 Magazine, Professor Steers wrote ‘Hodson was elected into a professorial fellowship at St Catharine’s in December, 1932, and it was at his own suggestion that he was given the opportunity of sharing the corporate life of the College by becoming a resident fellow. He entered fully into all that contributed to the welfare of the College, and on leaving our society he left us in no doubt that his stay in Cambridge had indeed been a happy one. It is with real gratitude that we remember his great friendship and his love of, and interest in, the College of his adoption.’ Maybe that explains why he was given the beakers, apparently by the St Catharine’s Society to one of its members.

Thanks to an alumnus who kindly purchased them for the College, the beakers have now found their way back to their true home – as did another item of silver in a rather different manner. In September, a plain package arrived the Porters’ Lodge, simply addressed to the College, with no enclosed note. Inside was a lone silver salt spoon, we think made by William Bateman in 1829. Perhaps this item came from someone with a guilty conscience from years ago. Whatever the case, we are glad to have it back.

Whilst it is extremely rare that items go missing, our audits show that it has happened over the years. Returns are always welcome!
Society Magazine
News for inclusion in the Magazine should be sent to the
Editor at the College (tel: 01223 338303, email: editor@caths.cam.ac.uk) as early in the year as possible. Material
received after August will normally be held over to the
following year.

The Society’s Annual Dinner and AGM
Saturday 22 September 2018.
Further details on the website and the Wheel in 2017.
Material for the AGM will be placed separately on the Society
website under ‘Events’.

Donations
Donations to the Old Members’ Sports Fund (generating
grants for students) or the Society’s General Fund
(funding the Society as well as student grants)
are welcomed. The Treasurer can be contacted at
tsociety.treasurer@caths.cam.ac.uk and on 01223 338357.

Career Link
The Society’s web-based service aims to assist
St Catharine’s students in exploring possible career paths.
Alumni willing to help as advisers and mentors can find
further details on the Society website.

Society Committee Officers and Membership
Anyone who wishes to be recommended by the Committee
for election at an Annual General Meeting should write
to the Society Secretary (email: society.secretary@caths.
cam.ac.uk) before the end of February. This will enable the
Spring meeting of the Committee to consider each person
against anticipated vacancies and the need to encourage
a diverse Committee profile, in order to recommend a
suitable nominee for each vacancy. If anyone wishes to be
considered for election at the AGM without a Committee
recommendation and in addition to the Committee’s
nominees, he/she may write to the Secretary to that effect
at any time up to 21 days prior to the date of the AGM.
Proposers and seconders are not required but in all cases
members should provide a short statement of background
and the reason for interest in the Committee’s work.

Society Branch Membership
In the UK the Society has 11 branches; members are advised
of local events within each branch based on their home
postcode. Anyone who wishes to be included in more than
one branch email list should advise the Society webmaster
by email to society.webmaster@caths.cam.ac.uk.

Dates of Full Term
Michaelmas 2017: 3 October – 1 December
Lent 2018: 16 January – 16 March
Easter 2018: 24 April – 15 June

College Reunion Dinners
The Governing Body hosts regular invitation dinners:

Alumni Dining Rights
All St Catharine’s alumni (former undergraduate and
graduate students) who are not currently in statu pupillari
and in residence (i.e. not current students) are eligible for
dining rights if they have taken their MA (approximately
six years after matriculation for an undergraduate course),
or graduated from a postgraduate course (Master’s, PGCE,
LLM, MBA, PhD and so on).

All those with dining rights are eligible to dine at High
Table free of charge once a term, during Full Term, when
fellows are signed in, and may bring one guest at a cost of
£35. Tuesday and Sunday evenings are particularly popular;
there is no High Table on Saturdays.

Please book dining rights dinners through the Alumni
and Development Office (01223 748164 or email to
events@caths.cam.ac.uk), who will liaise with the President
to ensure that High Table will take place.

Society Matters
All enquiries on Society matters, other than those for
the Magazine Editor or the Treasurer, should be made
in the first instance to the Secretary at College, email:
society.secretary@caths.cam.ac.uk, otherwise to the
Alumni and Development Office on 01223 338337 or
alumni@caths.cam.ac.uk.

Guest Room
A Guest Room in College, designated for the use of
Members and their spouses, is available at a modest charge
for a maximum of two consecutive nights. It may be booked
through the Porters’ Lodge (telephone 01223 338300).

Car Parking
We regret that the College cannot provide parking. There
are a number of car parks in town, or pay and display
on many roads, as well as Park and Ride buses. More
information can be obtained from the Porters or via the
Council website at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk.