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# Part one

## FELLOWS AND BYE-FELLOWS, BY SUBJECT

### Archaeology & Anthropology

Professor John Ray, *Professor of Egyptology*

Dr Uradyn Bulag, *Reader in Social Anthropology\**

### Chemical Engineering

Dr John Dennis, *University Senior Lecturer in Chemical Engineering\**

### Classics

Dr Rupert Thompson, *University Lecturer in Classical Philology\**

### Computer Science

Dr Richard Watts, *Bye-Fellow in Computer Science\**

### Economics

Mr Kenneth Coutts, *Assistant Director of Research in Economics*

Dr Christos Genakos, *College Lecturer in Economics\**

### Engineering

Professor Ken Wallace, *Professor of Engineering Design*

Mr James Matheson, *Head, Computer Systems Group, Department of Engineering\**

Dr Stewart Cant, *Reader in Engineering\**

Dr Daping Chu, *University Affiliated Lecturer in Engineering\**

Dr James Moultrie, *University Lecturer in Engineering Design\**

### English

Dr Jean Chothia, *Reader in English*

Dr Philip Connell, *University Lecturer in English\**

Dr Sarah Meer, *University Senior Lecturer in American Literature\**

Mr Jeremy Noel-Tod, *Bye-Fellow in English\**

### History

Professor John Morrill, *Professor of British and Irish History*

Dr Mike Sewell, *Tutor in History, Board of Continuing Education\**

Dr David Smith, *College Lecturer in History\**

Dr Derek Peterson, *University Senior Lecturer in African History*

Dr Michael Ledger-Lomas, *Fellow, Cambridge Victorian Studies Group\**

### Law

Professor John Spencer, *Professor of Criminal Law*

Mrs Janet O'Sullivan, *University Senior Lecturer in Law\**

Dr Alex Mills, *Slaughter & May Teaching Fellow in Law*



## Mathematics

- Dr Robert Harding, *formerly Director, Interactive Technologies in Assessment and Learning, University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate*  
 Dr Jack Button, *College Lecturer in Pure Mathematics\**  
 Dr Nikos Nikiforakis, *Assistant Director of Research in Applied Mathematics\**  
 Dr Anton Evseev, *Trevelyan Research Fellow in Pure Mathematics*

## Medical and Veterinary Sciences

- Dr David Chivers, *Reader in Primate Biology & Conservation (also Director of Studies in Veterinary Medicine and Biological Anthropology)\**  
 Dr Robert Whitaker, *formerly Assistant to the Clinical Anatomist*  
 Dr Michael Taussig, *Head, Technical Research Group, The Babraham Institute, Cambridge*  
 Dr Robert Tasker, *University Senior Lecturer in Paediatrics\**  
 Dr John Benson, *Consultant Surgeon, Addenbrooke's Hospital*  
 Dr Gavin Jarvis, *Research Associate, Department of Biochemistry*

## Modern & Medieval Languages

- Dr Michael Tilby, *College Lecturer in French\**  
 Professor David Holton, *Professor of Modern Greek*  
 Dr Charlotte Woodford, *College Lecturer in German\**  
 Dr David Willis, *University Senior Lecturer in Historical Linguistics\**  
 Dr Angeles Carreres, *Senior Language Teaching Officer in Spanish*  
 Dr Ian Cooper, *Centenary Research Fellow in German*

## Music

- Dr Andrew Jones, *University Senior Lecturer in Music\**  
 Ms Sarah MacDonald, *Director of Music in Chapel*

## Natural Sciences

- Professor Jeremy Sanders, *Professor of Inorganic Chemistry*  
 Dr Robin Hesketh, *University Senior Lecturer in Biochemistry*  
 Dr James Keeler, *University Senior Lecturer in Chemistry\**  
 Professor Tony Bland, *Professor of Experimental Physics († 2 December 2007)*  
 Professor Colin Humphreys, *Goldsmiths' Professor of Materials Science*  
 Dr Bill Clegg, *Reader in Ceramics\**  
 Dr Nicholas Butterfield, *University Senior Lecturer in Earth Sciences\**  
 Dr Michael Taussig, *Head, Technical Research Group, The Babraham Institute, Cambridge*  
 Dr Mike Aitken, *University Lecturer in Experimental Psychology\**  
 Dr Daniel Beauregard, *Research Associate, Department of Chemical Engineering*  
 Dr Jeremy Niven, *Royal Society Fellow in Neurobiology*  
 Dr Keith Grainge, *AMI telescope Project Manager, Cavendish Laboratory\**  
 Dr Amer Rana, *Senior Research Associate, Gurdon Institute and Department of Zoology*  
 Dr Stewart Sage, *Reader in Cell Physiology\**  
 Dr Paul Elliott, *Bye-Fellow in Zoology*  
 Dr Anna Scaife, *Bye-Fellow in Mathematics for Natural Sciences and Research Associate, Cavendish Laboratory*

**Oriental Studies**

Professor Richard Bowring, *Professor of Japanese Studies*

Mrs Haruko Laurie, *Senior Language Teaching Officer in Japanese\**

**Social & Political Sciences**

Dr Patrick Baert, *University Senior Lecturer in Sociology\**

**Theology**

Dr Andrew Chester, *University Lecturer in Divinity\**

Professor David Ford, *Regius Professor of Divinity*

*\* denotes Director of Studies*

**FELLOWS IN CLASS E**

The Revd Professor Owen Chadwick

Sir David Harrison

Professor William Brock

Mr Donald Welbourn

The Revd Canon Dr John Sweet

Dr Tony Hillier

Dr Mike Young

Professor David Newland

Dr Mića Panić

Dr Robert Whitaker

Dr Robin Hesketh

**HONORARY FELLOWS**

Sir Edwin Nixon († 17 August 2008)

The Right Revd Robert Hardy

Sir David Lumsden

Sir Alistair MacFarlane

Dr Christopher Johnson

Mr David Li

Dr Gordon Johnson

Mr John Chown

Sir Peter Williams

The Right Revd and Right Honourable the Lord Harries of Pentregarth

Dr Angus Maddison

Professor Ian Clark

Sir John Wall

Dr Christopher Dobson

Professor April McMahon

The Most Revd and Right Honourable John Sentamu

Professor Ruth Simmons

## SCHOOLTEACHER FELLOW COMMONERS

Dr John Barnes (Stoke-on-Trent College)  
 Mrs Jan Butler (King Henry VIII School, Coventry)  
 Ms Rachel Hill (Sutton High School)

## SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES AND AWARDS

### Elected to Research Scholarships, October 2007

M A Alim  
 A W Appleton  
 A J Barker  
 G A Bennett-Hunter  
 K E Brandt  
 C D Carr  
 E L Devlin  
 T E Durno  
 R N Duschinsky  
 M A French  
 C H P Fulcher  
 C Gothard  
 J Harvey  
 R Klaber  
 D Levitin  
 W Lu  
 M C Martel  
 J H C Patterson  
 T R R Pintelon  
 D M Regan  
 T Reichelt  
 C C Robison  
 E Sanders  
 S X Sim  
 S G Smith  
 K Tsuda  
 F E Tuddenham

### Elected to the title of Scholar, July 2008

Archaeology & Anthropology	T N Pells
Classics	H R Doyle
Economics	M A Bosley

English	L S Low
	E J E Williams
Geography	E A Given
History	M J Stark
Modern & Medieval Languages	V A Marshall
Natural Sciences	C H Barter
Theology	S P W Brewster
	J J G Fletcher
	J C Yates

### Elected or re-elected to Scholarships, July 2008

Chemical Engineering	R A Hubble
	W P Liu
Classics	J G Pugh Ginn
Computer Science	R M Cooper
	A Prieditis
Economics	J E Brewitt-Taylor
	R G Frampton
	O D Telfer
Engineering	M A Mottram
	G J Elder
	J R C King
	S E Smith
	H Xu
	C H Wong
	C A Cottingham
	S D Eastham
	W Hu
	S R Palmer
	A J Skarda
	C K-F So
	P J Wilkinson
English	S J W Mason
	C H Walker-Gore
	L D Young
Law	V V Thien
Manufacturing Engineering	M J Ansbro
Mathematics	N S Burkoff
	C Greenan
	C W Von Keyserlingk
	W L Woods
Medical & Veterinary Sciences	M E Killerby
	S F Lumley
	M Maruthappu
	A E Seeley

Modern & Medieval Languages	J R Taylor E E Brown J A Stirrups N C Ardley J A M Leland E K Spicer B Watkins
Natural Sciences	M J Bostock B D Conduit P W L De Grouchy K Kiatlertpongsa A W B Mallet F E Kelly G J Wallis J F Western C T Arnott A Brown R C Casey D J Day B L Elbert T R Gibb E G Healey D J Moroney A M Muldal
Oriental Studies	H M Jones
Philosophy	A Kazim
Social and Political Sciences	D L Lebor
Theology	P R Harford

### Named Prizes, July 2008

Adams (Engineering)	P G Jones
Borradaile (Zoology)	A D Beale
Siddans (Physics)	B J P Jones
Seraphim (Biochemistry)	M J Bostock
Baxter (Chemistry)	S Brogan
Braybrook (Natural Sciences)	J K Scott
Harrison (Engineering, Part IA)	P J Wilkinson
Hargreaves (Medicine)	J R Taylor
Hargreaves (Chemical Engineering)	W P Liu
Hargreaves (Veterinary Medicine)	M E Killerby
Searle (Mathematics)	J Ma
Frost (Mathematics)	N S Burkoff
	C W Von Keyserlingk

Frost (Computer Science)	C A L Reams
Scruby (Natural Sciences, Parts IA or IB)	G J Wallis
Melbourne (Land Economy)	G A V C Sacks
	S T N Yeung
Haworth-Gray (Theology)	S P W Brewster
Sing (Classics)	H R Doyle
Porter (History)	R G Browne
Whitehead (History)	R J Ansell
Gilbert (Modern & Medieval Languages)	A M Stokle
	B Watkins
	C J Arthur
Fairest (Law)	V V Thien
Steers (Archaeology)	T N Pells
Cross (Economics)	C W K Chiu
	L I F Peng
	M C B Tan
Sanders (English)	M S Wall
	H P B Laing
	S A V Miller
Appleton (Chapel Reading)	C J Arthur
Edith Ray (Vocal Award)	G R Swinford
Roe (Musical Performance)	B Nicholls
Grace Reading Prize	B J Crowter
	R G Frampton

### College Prizes, July 2008

Computer Science	A Nixon
Geography	C J Hornsby
Natural Sciences	M P Warlow

### Postgraduate Prizes, July 2008

Clinical Veterinary Medicine	S L Caddy
	F M Jacob
	J H Rose
	C J A Williams
LLM	C D Carr

### Powrie Scholarship for Engineering

M A Mottram

**Imber-Lloyd (Tallow Chandlers) Awards**

C L Law  
C S Summers

**Christopher Johnson Awards**

R J Ansell  
C E Jackson  
S D Lovett

**MUSIC AWARDS, 2007-2008****Organ Scholars**

C E Innes-Hopkins  
C K-F So

**Choral Exhibitioners***New Elections*

S H Nathan  
H C Roberts  
A R Thomson

*Re-elected*

L D Acott  
K A Ambrose  
A F Brook  
F S Campbell  
P W L De Grouchy  
H R Doyle  
E L Heighway  
S W Jackson  
F E Kelly  
B Nicholls  
A M Osborne  
T N Pells  
K Schofield  
C S Summers  
G R Swinford

**Instrumental Exhibitioners***New Elections*

S Heagney (violin)

R L Stroud (violin)

*Re-elected*

S L Knight (clarinet)

**DEGREES CONFERRED**

The College is delighted to be able to congratulate the following members who have taken Cambridge degrees between October 2007 and July 2008:

**LLD**

J R Spencer

J Wang

J A Walters

J-L Wietor

B Wöbking

D Zhu

**PhD**

D M Ashford

K R Bates

L Borger

A Courtney

C Drew

V Harris

P M Hoi

B Kampmark

J P Kirkpatrick

K P Kopper

J M Langridge

A W L Liau

A Maier

E F Manktelow

S M Matthews

F J Mills IV

B Morgan

S L Noton

G B S Teoh

V Vafeiadis

**MPhil**

A W Appleton

V E Beary

A Berman

J Boeckx

R N Duschinsky

D Levitin

Y Li

H Powell

B V Rees

E R Sanders

**MSt**

D Allen

M E Benterman

B Bolesta

I Chambers



M L Cullen  
 T J Demy  
 J H Fischel de Andrade  
 A Gustard  
 C D Herlinger  
 S J Jerbi  
 J Kearle  
 F K uchler  
 Z Nunn  
 J P Raymond  
 J Ruescas  
 D H Worrall  
 S E Youngs

### **BChir**

A C Matthews  
 N Patel  
 Z M Syed

### **MB**

Z M Syed

### **BA, MEng**

P J Burgon  
 R G Davies  
 P G Jones  
 Y Li  
 M M Lone  
 R P Mathie  
 C W Paley-Smith  
 J M Watson  
 C A Whitehead

### **BA, MSci**

J D Banton  
 D C Bradley  
 S Brogan

R E A Canning  
 S J Dougan  
 L B Foley  
 X Guo  
 J P Hood  
 B J P Jones  
 B Salehy  
 C J Schroeder

### **Vet MB**

P L Davies  
 J H Rose  
 C J A Williams

### **BA**

N S Adams  
 R J Ansell  
 C J Arthur  
 C H Barter  
 A P Bates  
 A D Beale  
 V M-L Biggs  
 E J Blakeley  
 M A Bosley  
 S P W Brewster  
 P J Browne  
 T R P Chadwick  
 E A Chapman  
 E H Chappell  
 C W K Chiu  
 J A Clewes  
 K A B Commons  
 J E Connah  
 B J Crowter  
 C M Davey  
 M H Dawood  
 H R Doyle  
 E K Durie  
 P M Ellery  
 C D M Elton  
 J J G Fletcher

C E Foster  
 E A Given  
 C P Grant  
 F E Gregory  
 S I Gueorguieva  
 G H Handelsman  
 D G Hearne  
 E L Heighway  
 H M Hodges  
 P S Holmes  
 M B Howard-Williams  
 C E Innes-Hopkins  
 C E Jackson  
 S W Jackson  
 D P O C Jameson  
 R Khans  
 H P B Laing  
 C L Law  
 P S Leftley  
 L Li  
 M J Long  
 S P Loveday  
 L S Low  
 E R A Lunn  
 J Ma  
 A K Malin  
 V A Marshall  
 L C Merkin  
 A J Mill  
 S A V Miller  
 N Mills  
 B Nicholls  
 W H Openshaw  
 A M Osborne  
 H L B Owles  
 A R Patterson  
 T N Pells  
 L I F Peng  
 A L Perkins  
 S M Pitt

R D Pritchard  
 C E Purcell  
 M L Quigley  
 C Reams  
 S Reingewirtz  
 K A Ridley  
 J Riggs  
 M J C Rothwell  
 G A V C Sacks  
 A J Salem  
 J K Scott  
 M Shaunak  
 M R Staiano-Kolaitis  
 M J Stark  
 C S Summers  
 A Suzuki  
 G R Swinford  
 M C B Tan  
 J M Thom  
 J Wang  
 C J Watterson  
 E J E Williams  
 L Willoughby  
 E Wright  
 J C Yates  
 B C C Yeoh  
 S T N Yeung

**BTh**

A Maxwell  
 M D C Stevens

**LLM**

C D Carr

## NEW MEMBERS IN RESIDENCE: POSTGRADUATES

- Alexander, John, University of Newcastle: International Relations
- Alim, Md Abdul, University of Rajshahi, Bangladesh: Computer Science
- Appleton, Alastair William, University of Durham: Linguistics
- Barker, Adrian John, University of Leeds: Applied Mathematics
- Barnes, Lucy, University of Sheffield: History
- Bennett-Hunter, Guy Andrew, University of Durham: Divinity
- Bereza, Paul Andrew, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Mathematics
- Brandt, Kate Emerie, Brown University, Rhode Island: International Relations
- Byfield, Andrew Thornton James, St Peter's College, Oxford: Theology
- Carr, Christopher David, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Law
- Chari, Premila Natasha, University College, London: International Relations
- Cockerill, Timothy David, University of Leeds: Zoology
- Collins, John Michael, Northwestern University, Illinois: History
- Cordiner, Tom Stuart, Selwyn College, Cambridge: History
- Dickens, Gregory James Edward, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Clinical  
Veterinary Medicine
- Durno, Thomas Edward, Selwyn College, Cambridge: English
- Duschinsky, Robert Nathan, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Social and Political Sciences
- Ellwood, Mark Richard, University of York: History
- French, Matthew Anthony, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand:  
Architecture
- Fulcher, Charles Henry Paget, London School of Economics: Economics
- Gardner, Daniel John, London School of Economics: International Relations
- Gothard, Christopher, University of York: Economics
- Graham, Reginald Sylvester, South Bank University, London: International Relations
- Green, Daniel Luke Claude, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Russian
- Harrington, Melanie Louise, University of Chester: History
- Harutyunyan, Hayk, University of Lancaster: International Relations
- Harvey, John, University College, Dublin: Pure Mathematics
- Klaber, Robert, Brown University, Rhode Island: Social and Political Sciences
- Knight, Sarah Louise, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Music
- Lawrence, James David, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Mathematics
- Levitin, Dmitri, Selwyn College, Cambridge: History
- Lombardi, Matteo, Politecnico di Milano, Italy: Earth Sciences
- Lopes de Lima, Jose Antonio Farah, Université Paris 1 – Panthéon Sorbonne: Law
- Lu, Weida, Imperial College, London: Pure Mathematics
- Martel, Matthew Colin, United States Military Academy at West Point, USA:  
International Relations
- McLeod, James Maciej, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Clinical Veterinary Medicine
- Meerapfel, Jeremiah Elias, Solvay Business School, Belgium: International Relations
- Melluish, Joanna, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Clinical Veterinary Medicine
- Novak, Cheryl, Providence College, USA: International Relations

Patterson, Jonathan Hugh Collingwood, Selwyn College, Cambridge:  
European Literature

Pilmer, Gemma Louise, University of Northampton: International Relations

Powell, Hunter, University of Pennsylvania: History

Proadhan, Juliette Christina, Open University, UK: International Relations

Reichelt, Thibault, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin: Management Studies

Robison, Claire Catherine, Mansfield College, Oxford: Theology

Sanders, Ethan, Wheaton College, USA: History

Schivatcheva, Radostina, University of New Brunswick, Canada:  
International Relations

Selvan, Mayurun, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Clinical Medicine

Shetty, Sanjeeth, Mangulose University, India: International Relations

Sim, Sheng Xiang, University College, London: Mathematics

Smith, Steven George, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Chemistry

Sousi, Perla, University of Patras, Greece: Mathematics

Suarez, Liste, Jesus Manuel University, Vigo, Spain: International Relations

Tsuda, Kenta, Brown University, Rhode Island: History

Tuddenham, Fay Elizabeth, New Hall, Cambridge: Physics

Weal, Emily Teresa, Selwyn College, Cambridge: Materials Science & Metallurgy

Yoong, Swie Leong Nicholas, University of Malaya: International Relations

Zheng, Hongying, Sichuan Normal University, China: Education

### NEW MEMBERS IN RESIDENCE: UNDERGRADUATES

Allred, Thomas James, Manchester Grammar School

Arnold, William George, King Edward VI Camp Hill Boys' School, Birmingham

Arnott, Christopher, Magdalen College School, Oxford

Avery, Emily Carol, Tasis American School in England, Thorpe

Bates, Claudia Jane, Uppingham School

Bell, Justin Oliver Andrew, Bedford School

Benjamin, Adam, Immanuel College, Watford

Bhatt, Karan, Forest School, London

Bijker, Maaïke Aletta, International School of Hilversum, The Netherlands

Binns, Amy, Farnborough Hill

Borlace, Jon-Selous, Christ's Hospital, Horsham

Brown, Aislinn Sarah, The Knights Templar School, Hertfordshire

Brown, Emily Elizabeth, Kesteven & Sleaford High School, Lincolnshire

Bryson, James Francis Joseph, Wellington College, Crowthorne

Bull, Francis Michael, Southend High School for Boys

Casey, Rachael Claire, Fort Pitt Grammar School, Kent

Chambers, Daniel Joseph, Boston Spa Comprehensive School, Wetherby

Chau, Ian Chi Hang, Sha Tin College, Hong Kong

Childress, Miriam Hannah, Grey Coat Hospital, London

Clements, Verity Jane, Dunoon Grammar School, Argyll

Cook, James Edward, Hymers College, Hull  
Cooper, Robbie Michael, Brigshaw High School, Castleford  
Cottingham, Christopher, Carmarthenshire College  
Crossgrove, Rosalind Kate, Stockport Grammar School  
Darnault, Berenice, Centre International de Valbonne, France  
Davis, Christopher John Llewelyn, Tonbridge School  
Day, Daniel James, Tiffin School, Kingston upon Thames  
Denby, Louisa Rhian, Churcher's College, Hampshire  
Dimsdale, Robert, Lawnswood School, Leeds  
Duan, Zhelong, Northampton School for Boys  
Eastham, Sebastian, Shrewsbury School  
Eccles, George Dunluce Farrell, Radley College  
Elbert, Bryony Louise, Burntwood School, London  
Esam, Joshua Stephen, Dulwich College  
Flexer, Stephen, Sheldon School, Wiltshire  
Fox, Charlotte Kathleen Lucille, Headington School, Oxford  
Freer, Elaine Abigail Odette, Nottingham High School for Girls  
Garrod, Richard James, Upton-by-Chester High School  
Gibb, Thomas Robert, Northwood School, Middlesex  
Gorton, Emma, Scarborough Sixth Form College  
Grieves, Sarah, St Anthony's Girls' School, Sunderland  
Hall, Jennifer Elisabeth, Forest School, London  
Harford, Paul Roger, The John Henry Newman RC School, Hertfordshire  
Haydock, Leesa Jane, Rivington and Blackrod High School, Bolton  
He, Chengjing, John Leggott College, Scunthorpe  
Heagney, Stephen, Methodist College, Belfast  
Healey, Eleanor Grace, Churston Ferrers Grammar School, Devon  
Hogg, Charlotte Katharine, Brighton College  
Holloway, Katherine Sarah, The Sixth Form College, Farnborough  
Homer, Benjamin William, Rawlett Community Sports College, Staffordshire  
Hornsby, Charlotte Jane, Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Lincolnshire  
Hu, Wenting, Raffles Junior College, Singapore  
Hyam, Joseph Thomas, King's College School, London  
Illingworth, Sarah Elizabeth, Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form Centre, Leeds  
Johnstone, Elizabeth Rose, Haberdashers' Aske's School for Girls, Elstree  
Jones, Harriet Mary, St Teresa's School, Surrey  
Kazim, Ahmet, The Latymer School, London  
Keevill, David Grantham John, Warwick School  
Kennedy, Hannah Louise, Heritage Private School, Cyprus  
Kim, Sooha, North London Collegiate School  
Lebor, Daniella Lily, Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form Centre, Leeds  
Maher, Charlotte Marie, Bury Grammar School (Girls)  
McCaffrey, Alexandra Louise, John Leggott College, Scunthorpe  
McNeilly, Laura Louise, Antrim Grammar School  
Meath Baker, Boadicea, Wycombe Abbey School

Mikkelsen, Simon Andrew, Latymer Upper School, London  
 Mills, Robert Alexander, The Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe  
 Moroney, Dominic James, Ampleforth College, York  
 Muldal, Alistair, Larkmead School, Oxon  
 Murevics, Vladimirs, Riga State Gymnasium No 1, Latvia  
 Nathan, Simon Henry, Westminster School  
 Palmer, Sebastian Robert, The Skinners' School, Kent  
 Porter, Andrew William, The Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe  
 Prayle, Elizabeth Ann, St Edward's College, Liverpool  
 Prieditis, Arturs, Riga State Gymnasium No 1, Latvia  
 Pugh Ginn, Joshua Gwilym, Manchester Grammar School  
 Punton, Thomas George, Dauntsey's School  
 Riley, Jonathan Anderson, Rainford College, St Helens  
 Roberts, Helen Catherine, St Catherine's School, Guildford  
 Roberts, Tom, Whitgift School  
 Saatci, Defne, Bilkent University Preparatory School, Turkey  
 Saldanha, Francesca Yvonne Louise, Sutton High School  
 Shanghavi, Sejal, Watford Grammar School for Girls  
 Sharp, Emma Stephanie, Ripon Grammar School  
 Skarda, Alan Joe, Peter Symonds' College, Hampshire  
 So, Clive Kee-Fung, Abingdon School  
 Spedding, Robin Selwyn, Gorseinon College, Swansea  
 St Johnston, Amy Rose Lyon, Ipswich School  
 Stead, Deborah Marguerite, The Sixth Form College, Farnborough  
 Stevanovic, Aleksandar, Broxbourne School, Hertfordshire  
 Stirrups, Jessica Ann, Pate's Grammar School, Cheltenham  
 Stokle, Anna Marie, Dame Allan's Girls' School, Newcastle upon Tyne  
 Strickson, Oliver Thomas, The John Bramston School, Essex  
 Stroud, Rachel Louise, Central Newcastle High School  
 Telfer, Esme, St Peter's School, York  
 Telfer, Oliver, St Peter's School, York  
 Thomson, Andrew Ross, George Watson's College, Edinburgh  
 Thomson, Jennifer Claire, Norwich High School for Girls  
 Tomlin, Sian Fiona, Latymer Upper School  
 Underwood, Andrew Philip, Hills Road Sixth Form College  
 Vonberg, Frederick William, Ipswich School  
 Wainwright, Verity Anne, Uckfield Community Technology College  
 Walker Gore, Clare Helen, Wakefield Girls' High School  
 Waxman, Rachele Miriam, North London Collegiate School  
 Webber, Elizabeth Jane, Tonbridge Grammar School for Girls  
 Wilkinson, Peter John, Sir John Lawes School, Hertfordshire  
 Woods, William Lee, Birkenhead School, Prenton  
 Xu, Xiaoxi, Notre Dame Catholic Sixth Form Centre, Leeds  
 Young, Lucien Dennis, The King Edward VI School, Northumberland  
 Zu Ermgassen, Erasmus Klaus Helge Justus, St Paul's School, London

**Affiliated Student**

Harford, Paul Roger, University of York: Theology (Ridley Hall)

**Visiting Students**

Shatokhin, Denys, University of Tübingen: Oriental Studies (Erasmus Exchange)

Streib, Manuel Carl, University of Marburg: Natural Sciences (Erasmus Exchange)







THE FIFTH DISTRICT

OF





# Part two

## THE ACTING MASTER'S REFLECTIONS

*Dr Jean Chothia, who was Acting Master from 1 January to 30 June 2008, writes:*

Deputising for Richard Bowring, during his two terms' study leave between January and July, has been a salutary as well as a stimulating experience. I am now more clearly aware of the responsibilities the Head of House carries and of the time commitment involved, but also of the importance to the effective running of the College of its other officers and of the support staff. I have also realised the scale and efficiency of the operation here and quite how fortunate Selwyn is in the people it has in post, and in the notable cooperation that exists between Fellows, staff and students. The greatest insight for me, though, has been into the relationship between the College and its alumni. As Head of House, one is potentially in contact, via the Development Office, with most former members of the College and is, thereby, a direct witness to the warmth with which Selwyn is regarded across generations, whether or not one's own time in College coincided with theirs. Personal messages, that have frequently accompanied donations; responses to Master's invitations to alumni events, or thanks after the event, have given human presence to what might have been just a list of names. The goodwill is evident in the widespread and generous response to the telephone fund-raising campaign, in which current undergraduates have talked to those who once studied here. For the students this has been a good learning experience and most recipients of calls have seemed genuinely pleased to find out more about the College as it now is.

Meanwhile, with the Ann's Court Phase 1 building, itself the result of a generous donation, fully part of the fabric of the College, the structure of Phase 2 is now clearly defined and the roof of the new building already on. Situated as Phase 2 is, at right angles to Phase 1, even though hoardings surround the site, the shape of the new court is apparent. Open on its fourth side to Grange Road, it will draw Cripps Court more surely into the College domain. Completion is on schedule for the first half of 2009, at which point a further forty *en suite* rooms will be available to accommodate students (and visitors during the vacation). Although building work has continued through the exam term, relations between College and contractors have remained positive. The contractors have made great efforts to keep inevitable disturbance to a minimum and, at the 'Out of the Ground' ceremony, at which the donors Ann and Chris Dobson poured concrete, presented prizes for the mural competition they had sponsored. Students then painted Catherine Williams' winning design, onto the stretch of hoarding that faces the North Range of Old Court, where it will remain until the building work is complete. Meanwhile, the Head Gardener, in consultation with the Gardens Committee, is already plotting the future planting of the new court.



My term as Acting Master coincided exactly with that of Bob Hardy as Acting Chaplain. When Joe Kennedy left us in December to take up the post of Principal of Mirfield College in Yorkshire, the retired Bishop of Lincoln generously stepped into the breach. Taking up, albeit temporarily, the post of Chaplain that, as many will remember, he held from 1965-72, Bob moved back into his old set on D staircase. With his good humour and astute mind, he has been a wonderful source of support and advice for me and for the College more generally. Among his first duties was the memorial service for Tony Bland, former student and Fellow of Selwyn as well as University Professor of Experimental Physics, who died tragically young in December. Then followed the funeral of Ken Baker, formerly the College's Chief Clerk (and a stalwart of the staff/Fellows cricket team). The Chapel was packed for both memorial and funeral, with family and current College members augmented, for Tony, by colleagues and graduate students from Physics and, for Ken, by several generations of College staff. My role as Head of House has, indeed, brought me into closer contact with the College Chapel and the College's Anglican heritage than hitherto, and given me some appreciation of their significance. Although not a believer, I can see the comfort and community the Chapel offers and that our link with the Anglican Church is real and something to be cherished. The service of celebration of the College's first 125 years, hosted by the Archbishop of Canterbury, the College's Visitor, was a remarkable event with many clerical alumni, including the Archbishops of York and Wales, present. With Bob officiating, Archbishop Rowan, in a wise and moving address, vividly evoked George Augustus Selwyn and ideas of service. Although the Lambeth Choir sang beautifully, most striking was the quality of the hymn singing by the massed voices of Selwyn Alumni, an effect repeated in the crowded Chapel at Commem, and indeed at the leavers' service. Subsequently, a group of Melanesian Bishops, here for the Lambeth conference, visited to see the College's collection of Selwyn memorabilia.

I have been fortunate in having among my advisors Michael Tilby, as Senior Tutor. Although he will continue as a Fellow and Director of Studies in Modern Languages, Michael steps down from this post at the end of the summer, after many years of distinguished service. Building on the work of John Morrill, he has seen the College rising quietly but surely in the league table of Tripos results (the Baxter Tables). This has never been at the expense of student welfare since Michael has believed in maintaining high quality tutorial support for students; nor, as he himself noted in last year's *Calendar*, has it been at the expense of student participation in sporting and cultural events. Indeed, the College's Athletics team were the 2007 Cuppers champions and, among the offerings of the College's revived student drama society, the Mighty Players, a musical, *Alice: a Fresher's Tale* (featuring both George Augustus and Gus, the Master's cat), packed out the Chadwick Room. As well as the mural mentioned earlier, some fine art works by members of the College hang on the Ann's Court staircases and others figure on the new swatch of College postcards, while, on the initiative of the student body, a joint staff-student Committee on Environmental Matters, has been established which will record the steps the College has already taken to become greener and investigate further possibilities.

We had, then, two major appointments to College offices to make this year, each involving extensive consultation and input from all areas of the College and each reaching an excellent result. James Keeler will take over as Senior Tutor in September and the hand-over from Bob Hardy to Hugh Shilson-Thomas was marked at Commem when Bob officiated at the service and Hugh, who had taken up his post on 1 July, pronounced the closing blessing. Two other new Fellows will join us in the autumn: Anna Scaife a mathematician and Linda Freedman who will be the new Keasbey Research Fellow. The appointment as University Orator of Rupert Thompson, the College's Fellow in Classics, must also be registered, as must his delivery of a brilliant set of Latin orations (reprinted with English translations in the *University Reporter*), on the graduands at this year's Honorary Degree ceremony, first among them being our Honorary Fellow, John Sentamu, Archbishop of York, and Honorary DD of the University.

In concluding, I have to admit to having feared a year ago that the proposal to make a special thing of Selwyn's 125th anniversary might prove a damp squib, pallid in the light of the up-coming University 800th. I could not have been more wrong. Events through the year, from the gathering at the Royal Society in Michaelmas, through the planting in the gardens of the staff's gift of an anniversary tree, to the service of celebration at Lambeth Palace, have been hugely successful as, indeed, have the more specifically social occasions which included an inaugural lunch for parents of current students; a dinner at which Fellows and former Fellows met; an alumni dinner in Edinburgh, featuring a talk by Sir David Harrison on the College's first 125 years, and the hugely successful May Ball, in June. With Commem and the Anniversary Garden Party in July, these occasions provided further demonstration of the affection for the College as well as reunions with old friends, and new encounters between those with Selwyn connections across years, and indeed decades. The 125th anniversary year has proved a vintage one and I was fortunate to have a part in it. To put the crowning gloss on the year (and on Dr Tilby's stint as Senior Tutor), when the Baxter tables were published at the end of the year, Selwyn was in first place.

## NEW FELLOW

*The Revd Hugh Shilson-Thomas writes:*



Hugh has been Selwyn College's Dean of Chapel and Chaplain since 1 July. After reading Theology at Exeter College, Oxford, he worked in a church team in inner-city Liverpool before training for ordination at Westcott House in Cambridge. He was a curate in two parishes in South East London, and spent six years as Ecumenical chaplain of Kingston University, during which time he completed an MA dissertation (King's College, London) on public religious literacy and ethical decision-making. Hugh was then Chaplain of Robinson College, Cambridge for nearly five years, until 2003, when he was appointed as the Church of England's National Adviser for Higher Education and Chaplaincy, based in Church House, Westminster. His most recent responsibilities have included advising on higher education policy and supporting the network of the Church of England's chaplains in higher education institutions, working closely with ecumenical partners. He has a particular interest in the role chaplains can play building good relations between people from different faith backgrounds, and has managed a government-funded project researching the engagement of faith communities in chaplaincy work. At Selwyn, he is responsible for the life of the chapel and, alongside others, for providing pastoral care and spiritual support for all members of the College community.

## FELLOWS-ELECT

*Dr Linda Freedman writes:*



Linda Freedman has been elected to the Keasbey Research Fellowship in American Studies from 2008. She studied English literature at Magdalen College, Oxford before moving to King's College, London where she received an MA with distinction in English in 2004 and a PhD for a thesis entitled 'Emily Dickinson's Life of Christ' in 2007. She is currently finishing the manuscript for a book on *The Religious Imagination of Emily Dickinson* and plans to start work on a new project investigating William Blake's place in the American mind. She has articles published or forthcoming on Emily Dickinson, Charlotte Brontë and William Holman Hunt and her related interests cover Romanticism, nineteenth and twentieth-century English and American literature, particularly poetry, transatlantic relations and the interdisciplinary connections between literature, theology and the visual arts.

*Dr Anna Scaife writes:*



Anna Scaife has been elected to a Fellowship and College Lectureship in Mathematics for the Natural Sciences from 1 October 2008. She was an undergraduate at Bristol, where she took a First with Distinction in Physics. She then worked briefly in the Fusion Theory group at the Joint European Torus before moving to Cambridge to undertake a PhD in the Astrophysics Group at the Cavendish Laboratory. The subject of her doctorate was observational cosmology with a focus on observing galaxy clusters through the Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect and she has continued this work as a Research Associate in the group since 2007. Her main interests now lie in the fields of secondary CMB anisotropies, interferometry, and foreground analysis with an emphasis on the identification and detection of microwave emission from spinning dust grains. She is currently involved in a number of telescope projects including the Cambridge telescopes AMI and VSA, the European design study for the forthcoming SKA telescope and the low frequency path finder telescope LOFAR.

## NEWS OF FELLOWS

**William Brock**, now in his 93rd year, reports that the Cambridge University Press plans to reprint digitally two of his books which are currently out of print, namely *The United States 1790-1890 (Sources of History)*, 1975; and *Investigation and Responsibility: Public Responsibility in the United States 1865-1900*, 1984.

**David Harrison** was awarded an Honorary degree (DUniv) from the University of York in July for services to science education, and particularly as Director of Salters' Institute which is the main charitable arm of the Salters' Livery Company. The Institute has supported development and innovation in Sixth form science curricula for over 30 years. He gave a talk on Selwyn's 125 years to a gathering of alumni in Edinburgh in June; and he was the guest speaker at the Presentation Evening of the John Henry Newman School in Stevenage in November 2007. In September, on behalf of the College as Patron, he presented the Revd Fiona Windsor to be licensed as the new Papworth Team Rector at Elsworth Church.

**John Morrill** reports a fairly quiet year (for him) following the death of Frances. He is one of four scholars who raised one million euros from the UK and Irish Research Councils to produce an on-line edition of the 3400 depositions taken from survivors of the massacres in Ireland in 1641 in which perhaps 4000 Protestants were killed. This project takes him to Dublin once a month, which he finds no hardship. Major conferences celebrating anniversaries of some of his most influential work have been held in Rotterdam and Hull. He is in his tenth year as a Vice-President of the British Academy and, away from his historical work, he runs the Commission for Evangelisation in the Diocese of East Anglia. He is also one of the Directors of the Diocesan Formation Programme, and he teaches the History of Christianity at the seminary in Womersley. His book *Oliver Cromwell* came out in 2007 in the OUP VIP (Very Interesting People) series. He has also published essays on Cromwell's Drogheda massacre in 1649 and on the disintegration of Puritanism in the mid-seventeenth century.

**Jeremy Sanders** thoroughly enjoyed a Symposium given by current and former members of his Chemistry research group to celebrate his 60th birthday in May. He has had a busy year, continuing as a Deputy Vice-Chancellor in overseeing the University's 800<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations which are aligned with the associated fund-raising campaign. He became a Trustee of the Cambridge Foundation in 2007, and he has devoted much time during 2008 as the Chairman of the UK Chemistry sub-panel for the national Research Assessment Exercise. He becomes Head of the School of Physical Sciences next January which is responsible for about one fifth of the University's academic activity. Together with a colleague, he was awarded a £1.5 million Research Council grant for work in dynamic combinatorial chemistry. He gave the Barre Lectures at the Université de Montreal in November; and invited lectures at meetings in Stockholm, Barcelona, Boston, and at universities in the United States, Italy and Germany.



**Michael Tilby** attended the Craig dinner at Brown University and an alumni reception at the Yale Club in New York in November, at which a former affiliated student (and Keats scholar), Dave Richards (SE 1967), spoke about the origins of his celebrated collection of Kipling books and manuscripts. He has spoken, or been a guest, at a number of school events, on occasion at the invitation of Selwyn modern linguists now in senior positions. He retired from the Senior Tutorship on 31 August having held the post since 1992. He is taking very well-deserved sabbatical leave during 2008-09.

**Ken Wallace** spent the Michaelmas Term as a Visiting Professor at the Centre for Product Design and Manufacturing at the Indian Institute of Science at Bangalore. He retired in December after 30 years service on the staff of the University Engineering Department.

**David Holton** served as Acting Vice-Master for the Lent and Easter Terms. During the same period he found himself called on (again) to chair the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages, to fill an unexpected nine-month vacancy. He gave lectures at King's College, London and the University of Stockholm, and chaired a panel at an international conference in Athens. His publications this year include a foreword to a book about British travellers in Greece, and three articles in Greek in journals and conference proceedings. In July he lectured at a summer school at Delphi, under the auspices of the University of Athens; and at a special ceremony was honoured with a 'Wisdom Award', in recognition of his contributions to the study of Greek language and culture of the post-Byzantine period.

**Mića Panić** retired this year from the UN Committee for Development policy having served three full terms, the last as Vice-Chairman. He was subsequently appointed a consultant to the UN and commissioned to write a paper on the *Post-conflict countries: Aid effectiveness and Permanent peace* which was discussed at a special meeting of the UN. He was also invited to join an international group of experts on global energy and economic issues. Palgrave Macmillan have reprinted the paperback edition (2005) of his book entitled *Globalisation and National Economic Welfare*.

**James Keeler**, with Peter Wothers of St Catharine's, co-authored a book for first-year undergraduates entitled *Chemical Structure and Reactivity: an integrated approach*. It was published by OUP in May. The book's distinctive feature is to treat Chemistry as a whole, rather than subdividing it into the customary areas of physical, inorganic and organic. Students are encouraged to see the connections between topics, and in particular the way physical principles inform an understanding of real reactions. There is a companion website which includes some 'movies' of reactions. The solutions manual which accompanies the text owes much to the long vacation work of Steven Smith (SE 2002).

**David Smith** gave a lecture on Oliver Cromwell and Parliaments to the Bath Royal Literary and Scientific Institution. He presented a paper on the diplomacy between Cromwell and Cardinal Mazarin during the 1650s at an international conference organised by the CRIDAF (Centre de recherches interculturelles sur les domaines anglophones et francophones) at the Université Paris 13. In addition to a number of talks to schools, he has also lectured to a variety of other bodies including the Pinner Historical Society, the Bedford Branch of the Historical Association, and the Sparta Historical Society (which meets in London).

**Colin Humphreys** was elected a Fellow of the School of Engineering, University of Tokyo in December. A *Colin Humphreys Education Award Medal* has been established by the Institute of Materials, Minerals and Mining. He continues as Chairman of the International Advisory Board, National Institute for Material Science, Japan; and he is a member of the Board of Stakeholders, European Union Technology Platform Photonics 21, the Royal Academy of Engineering review panel for the Newton International Scholarship Scheme, the Japan World Premier Research Centre Initiative, and the Advisory Board of the Faraday Institute. He has been elected Renter Warden of the Worshipful Company of Armourers and Brasiers. He has lectured worldwide in a busy year, and his book *The Miracles of Exodus* has been translated into German.

**David Ford** was awarded the Gold Medal for Inter-Faith relations by the Sternberg Foundation. He was appointed a Trustee of the Center of Theological Inquiry, Princeton (the first non-US based Trustee), a member of the Advisory Board of Responsibility, and of the Board of Advisors of the John Templeton Foundation. He has undertaken numerous speaking engagements including: Plenary Speaker at the Tyndale Fellowship Annual Conference on Ethics and Religions; Respondent at the Atlantic Conversation International Conference on *Religion in Public life* at St George's Windsor; Speaker at the Lambeth Study Day on *Religion in the Public Square*; Lecturer on *Hope between the Faiths in the City: The Power of Scriptures* in Bradford Cathedral; Keynote Speaker at the public launch of the Durham Centre for Catholic Studies and at the Yale consultation on *God's Power and Human Flourishing*. His book, with Francis M Young, on *Meaning and Truth in 2 Corinthians* was reprinted in May.

**Andrew Chester** has been appointed University Reader in Early Jewish and Christian Thought.

**Stewart Cant** has been appointed University Professor of Computational Engineering.

**David Willis**, together with Robert Borsley and Maggie Tallerman, has published with CUP (2007) *The syntax of Welsh*.

**Patrick Baert** has been appointed University Reader in Social Theory.

**John Dennis** has been appointed University Reader in Chemical Reaction Engineering.

**Alex Mills**, the Slaughter and May Fellow in Law, is writing a book entitled *The Confluence of Public and Private International Law* to be published by CUP. It is based on his Cambridge PhD thesis awarded in 2007, which was awarded a Yorke Prize from the Faculty of Law.

## NEWS OF HONORARY FELLOWS

**The Rt Revd Lord Harries of Pentregarth** (1958; Honorary Fellow 1998) was appointed Gresham Professor of Divinity and he will give a course of lectures entitled *Literature in a time of unbelief* in the autumn of 2008. He has published *The Re-enchantment of Morality: wisdom for a troubled world* (SPCK 2008).

**The Rt Revd Bob Hardy** (1965; Honorary Fellow 1986) agreed with much kindness to serve as Acting Dean of Chapel and Chaplain for the Lent and Easter Terms 2008 to cover an interregnum. It is nothing short of astonishing that someone should return with distinction to the same post as he occupied some 40 years before, and the College community owes him a great debt. Bob Hardy was made CBE in 2001 and he holds Honorary degrees from the Universities of Hull (DD) and Lincoln (DLitt).

**The Most Revd and Rt Hon Dr John Sentamu** (1974; Honorary Fellow 2006) was awarded an Honorary degree (DD) by the University of Cambridge in the Senate House on 23 June. The Duke of Edinburgh, as Chancellor, presided and Choral music for the ceremony was provided by the College Choirs of Selwyn (directed by Sarah MacDonald) and Gonville and Caius.

## NEWS OF FORMER FELLOWS AND BYE-FELLOWS

**Professor Vivian Nutton** (1962) has been elected to the Fellowship of the British Academy. He was Hooker Distinguished Visiting Professor at McMaster University, Canada in 2007; and he delivered an Arts Faculty University Lecture at Newcastle University.

**Dr Stephen Cowley** (1974) has been elected to the Council of the University of Cambridge.

**Dr Hamish Ryder (1980)** has been appointed by Cancer Research Technology as its first Director of Discovery.

**Dr Peter Spargo (1980)** was appointed Vice-President, Chemistry Manufacturing and Controls at Novexel SA (Paris), which is an anti-infectives pharmaceutical research and development organisation.

**Mr Max Beber (1989)** has been appointed Senior Tutor of Sidney Sussex College.

**June Keyte (1990)** founded Children's International Voices in Enfield this year, and she will be touring Iceland with the choir in October.

**Dr Bill McGrew (1993)** has been elected to a Fellowship at Corpus Christi College.

**Sarah MacDonald (1999)** is spending a very busy year running the Girls' Choir at Ely Cathedral to cover maternity leave. Conveniently, the Girls sing Evensong on Mondays and Wednesdays which (just) fits with her duties in Selwyn on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays. The Girls rehearse at 8.00 am which means an early train from Cambridge, but it appears that the only conflicting undergraduate activity at that hour is rowing. Her account of another very successful year for the Chapel Choir is in this edition of the *Calendar*.

## A SHORT MEMOIRE

Professor John Harper (SE 1966), former Selwyn Organ Scholar and King's chorister, and until recently Director-General of the Royal School of Church, preached in King's College Chapel in May, and he painted a charming picture of the late **Alec Vidler (SE 1919)**, as follows:

'Choristers are sharp-minded, and often have strong views. We were aghast at the appointment of Alec Vidler as Dean (of King's) in 1956. He could not sing. How could one have a Christmas Eve Carol Service that ended with a said blessing from the Dean? We knew nothing of his standing as theologian, historian, or one of the leading liberal minds in the Church. What I recognise now is his quiet and unobtrusive care for us as a pastor. For all his distinction as an academic and senior churchman, he set time aside most weeks after Sunday Evensong to take four choristers back to his rooms for tea: a standard ritual – cakes from Fitzbillies and a game of Scrabble. He also found time to come into the School to teach some Divinity, and he took great care in preparing us for Confirmation. He whom we first dismissed for his lack of musical ability got to know us as people and gently nurtured us in the silent music of the Spirit. His theology and spirituality underpinned the life of this Chapel for eleven years'.

# FEATURES AND REPORTS

## JUSTICE, PLURALISM AND PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW

*Dr Alex Mills*

*A talk given at a College Evening in November 2007*

Lawyers like dividing things into categories, even (or perhaps particularly) artificial categories, and one such distinction is commonly drawn between public and private international law. Public international law traditionally refers to the rules that apply between states, covering such topics as treaties, diplomacy and war, although in recent years it has expanded into other areas including human rights and international criminal law. Private international law, also known as the conflict of laws, concerns private disputes with an international dimension. These can arise in any area of private law, ranging from international family disputes, to international commerce, to personal injuries suffered on holiday. Private international law has a reputation, by no means entirely undeserved, for being a difficult area of law, a complex structure of regulations built on uncertain theoretical foundations. At the same time, as a consequence of the growing movements of people, goods and capital around the world (what we might call 'globalisation'), it is increasingly important.

Three questions arise in private international law – the question of jurisdiction (which courts can hear a dispute), the question of the recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments (whether a judgment obtained in one state will be given effect in another), and the question of the applicable law (which law a court will apply). The discovery that courts – all around the world – apply foreign law in some circumstances is often a source of surprise and difficulty.

### **Why apply foreign law?**

Two justifications are traditionally offered for the application of foreign law by English courts. It is argued that this is necessary in order to meet the expectations of the parties, and in order to achieve justice between the parties. Meeting the expectations of the parties sounds, at first glance, like a good idea and a solid justification. But every time a dispute arises, it is because there is a disagreement between the parties, and there is often no shared expectation as to what the law will be. Even more troublingly, the law is designed to shape expectations – so what can the expectations of the parties be, other than that the law (whatever it is) will apply? Doing justice to the parties similarly sounds at first glance like a laudable and straightforward justification, but this also does not stand up to closer scrutiny. Each legal system, including English law, embodies a theory of justice – it provides rules which determine the just outcomes of disputes. So how can it ever be more just for the English courts to apply foreign law rather than English law? When a judge does this are they really rejecting the outcome which English law would dictate?

It is clear that there is more to this area of law than meets the eye. There is an implicit assumption behind the idea of applying foreign law, which is that, when it comes to questions of justice, *context matters*. To put this another way, the application of foreign law depends on a belief in ‘justice pluralism’ – the idea that more than one theory of justice or set of legal rules might be valid. The determination of what law to apply to a dispute is not a simple question of justice (determining the outcome of the dispute), but a question of ‘meta-justice’ (deciding between theories of justice – determining which just outcome is the most just). The application of foreign law implies an acknowledgement of the reality of global legal pluralism. This suggests that applying foreign law is less about resolving individual disputes, about private justice, and more closely connected than is usually thought with public international law questions – the scope and limits of mutual recognition between different states and their legal orders.

### When should foreign law be applied?

If foreign law is to be applied, how do we decide when to do so? The traditional approach is to use a choice of law rule, which selects the law to govern a dispute based on a ‘connecting factor’. Imagine if two Australians who live in England go on a driving holiday in France, and the passenger is injured due to the possible negligence of the driver. There are a variety of possible connecting factors we could use to decide which law applies, including the place of the accident, the nationality of the parties and their place of residence. If the application of foreign law was based on the desire to do justice between the parties in individual cases, it would be necessary to decide between these based on which was ‘fairer’ for the parties – a problem which does not seem easily solved.

If, however, we think of private international law as serving a more public international function, the focus turns from the details of the specific dispute to the systemic outcomes of the rule. Instead of doing justice between individual parties, private international law may be viewed as concerned with the organisation of a global legal order, with drawing the boundaries between different national legal cultures. Viewed from this perspective, the use of different connecting factors must be examined systematically. Selecting the law of the place of the accident would mean that everyone in a particular territory must comply with the law of that territory, even if they are there only temporarily. This might be an appropriate solution in some circumstances – there are good reasons, for example, why all people driving in a country should be governed by the same standard of liability. But it is not clear that the same principles should apply in other contexts. For example, we might think that an English couple who are too young to get married in England should not be able to avoid this restriction simply by travelling to a country with a lower age limit and marrying there. In this context, we might prefer a rule which is not territorial (applying the law of the place of the marriage) but based on some aspect of the parties, for example, their nationality or residence.

The decision about which law to apply, or rather which choice of law rule to adopt, is thus revealed to resemble the broader public debates about the scope and limits of multiculturalism – the extent to which visitors or immigrants should be required to comply with local cultural norms, and the extent to which they should be permitted to retain their traditional culture. The legal manifestation of this issue is the question of whether visitors or immigrants to a state should be forced to comply with local laws, or whether in some circumstances their law of nationality or residence might remain applicable. There is, of course, no easy answer to these questions, which raise the very difficult problem of the extent to which it is desirable to have a world divided into internally homogenous but externally diverse cultural and legal blocks (a possible interpretation of the role of the nation-state), or whether it is better to allow cultures, and legal systems, to intermingle within each state.

Private international law looks, at first glance, like yet another technical area of private law – and that may be enough to stop most taking a second glance. But, like so many areas of law, it deserves both closer examination and a broader perspective. Determining whether and when to apply foreign law does not seem best viewed as a narrow question of private justice or fairness. Instead, it is the consequence of an underlying acceptance that the world contains varied cultures, with diverse conceptions of justice embodied in their legal systems. The problem of private international law is thus about organising the scope and limits of this diversity, a legal microcosm of multiculturalism.

## LIFE ON EARTH: THE FIRST THREE BILLION YEARS

*Dr Nicholas J. Butterfield*

*A talk given at a College Evening in November 2007*

Darwin's theory of evolution famously rocked the complacency of the mid-19th century by providing a compelling, naturalistic explanation for the origin of species. Even so, it faced two awkward and, at the time, seemingly insuperable empirical challenges. The first was simply the age of the Earth. If gradual descent with modification was to account for all organismal diversity it would presumably require vast amounts of time, yet William Thompson (Lord Kelvin) had pronounced that the planet was less than 100 million years old. The second was the fossil record, which not only failed to show the endlessly intermediate forms implied by the theory, but also appeared to be limited to just the last snippet of geological time. Darwin nevertheless stuck to his guns, declaring '...if my theory be true, it is indisputable that before the lowest Silurian stratum was deposited, longer periods elapsed, as long as, or probably far longer than, the whole interval from the Silurian age to the present day; and that during these vast, yet quite unknown periods of time, the world swarmed with living creatures.'

The discovery of radiometric dating in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century vindicated Darwin's hunch about the age of the Earth, which is now pegged at 4.567 billion years. However, the fossil record remained stubbornly stuck at its upper end. The oldest fossil evidence of life was still limited to those 'Silurian' (now called Cambrian) rocks dated at around 550 million years (Ma), leaving the first seven-eighths of Earth history seemingly barren. The break came in 1954 with the discovery of the first unambiguous pre-Cambrian fossils, in the 1850 Ma Gunflint Chert on the north shore of Lake Superior in central Canada. They were tiny, only visible with a microscope, but it rapidly became clear that the Earth in its middle age was swarming with micro-organisms.

There are three principal means currently used to detect the presence of ancient microbial life. The most direct is microfossils, such as those in the Gunflint Chert, but the chances of this sort of cellular preservation are extremely low. A more conspicuous record occurs in the form of 'stromatolites', literally layered rocks, that have been formed by the activities of microbial mats – the same sort of bio-accretionary growth that can build up on your teeth, or around a dribbling drain. And then there are geochemical signatures induced by biological activity, particularly those involving the stable isotopes of carbon and sulphur.

Like all historical data, palaeontological and geological records degrade, and eventually disappear with time. The oldest reasonably well preserved sedimentary rocks on Earth are ca. 3.5 billion-year-old (Ga) remnants exposed in Western Australia and southern Africa. Remarkably, both of these areas preserve microstructures that – with the eye of faith – look like certain living bacteria, and macrostructures that look very much like younger, bona fide stromatolites. But the clincher is the geochemistry, with all but the most rabid sceptics recognising the isotopic imprint of microbial metabolism in these ancient rocks. There are even older sediments in SW Greenland that, with somewhat less certainty, extend the record of life on Earth to around 3.8 Ga – within a whisker of the 3.9 Ga 'late heavy' meteorite bombardment that is thought to have vaporized and sterilized the planet's oceans. In other words, there is evidence for life on Earth as far back as the record takes us, and almost as far back as it could have been physically sustained.

This is a stunning insight – one of the great discoveries of 20<sup>th</sup>-century science. At least in this solar system, life appears to have evolved from non-life with relative ease. It implies (admittedly with a sample size of just one), that all Earth-like planets with liquid water are potentially biological. And it's why so much money and machinery is currently being thrown at Mars. Although our neighbouring planet now appears too cold and dry (at least at the surface) to support even the toughest sort of organisms, its landforms and sediments show it to have been much warmer and wetter in the past. Discovery of life on another world, even in fossilized form, would be the scoop of the millennium.



None of this really helps Darwin out of his hole, however. Although life itself appeared very early it remained decidedly microscopic for the next three billion years, large organisms not putting in an appearance until around 575 Ma. But then the floodgates open. Within the next 50 million years essentially all the basic types of animals have checked in and the biosphere shifts dramatically to its (more or less) modern mode. The big question, then, is not whether there was enough time for evolution to do its business – clearly there was – but why it took so long for life to break out of its archaic microbial mindset.

There is, of course, a host of evolutionary challenges separating simple unicellular bacteria from large complex animals, not least the evolution of the nucleated eukaryotic cell, multicellularity and sex. At the same time there is a potential for environmental constraints, such as threshold levels of oxygen. But none of these quite does the trick. Geochemical signatures suggest that the atmosphere became at least modestly oxygenated by around 2.3 Ga, and I have discovered a variety of small multicellular seaweeds and ‘fungi’ that precede the Cambrian ‘explosion’ by as much as 700 million years. To my mind, the tipping point was nothing other than the evolution of animals themselves. These are fantastic creatures, not only in the unprecedented complexity of their development, but also because of their revolutionary impact on ecology and evolution. Animals have a unique capacity to drive escalatory reciprocal co-evolution and, like steam engines and computers after them, smashed in a new world order.

So Darwin was right about the antiquity of life on Earth, but for mostly the wrong reasons. Under appropriate conditions, evolution can clearly run much more rapidly than he imagined, the diversity of his ‘Silurian’ world emerging in just a fraction of the time that separates it from the present day. Likewise, he would have found the vast tracts of pre-Cambrian microbial time surprisingly static. But the unexpected patterns of our deep evolutionary history could be telling us something about life and the universe in general: although biology may be common, our complexified version of it is probably not.

# THE DREAMS OF THE TWINS IN ST PETERSBURG

*Professor John Ray*

*A talk given at a College Evening in March 2008*

One of the fascinations of Egyptology is that the dry sands of Egypt preserve documents which would never have survived elsewhere. Many of these texts are written, not in the hieroglyphs which most people associate with ancient Egypt, but in more mundane scripts. One of these is demotic, the shorthand of the last thousand years of Pharaonic history, and this field is one which particularly interests me. Among the many unpublished demotic texts in museums all over the world, there are a few which contain accounts of people's dreams. These are as difficult as any ancient text can be: they are written in a very complex script, often in handwriting which is the opposite of professional, and they are not subject to the common-sense test that most categories of text encourage. If a hedgehog makes a sudden appearance in an edition of a marriage contract, for example, the odds are that the editor of the document has made a mistake. But in a dream anything can happen, and this is what makes this material such a challenge.

In the middle of the second century BC there lived two teenagers, twin sisters named Taous and Tawe. We know a surprising amount about their early life. Their mother, Nephoris, left their father for a Greek soldier (Egypt had been under Macedonian rule since Alexander the Great entered the country in 331). The mother and her lover tried to murder the girls' father, then threw the daughters out of the house. They were adopted by a character named Ptolemaios, who lived as a recluse in a temple at Saqqara, the necropolis of Memphis. Ptolemaios found the twins employment impersonating the goddesses Isis and Nephthys in various temple rituals, but their mother then succeeded in embezzling their salaries. We have many of the papers of Ptolemaios and his younger brother Apollonios, most of which are in Greek. These were discovered at some point in the 1820s, and were published a century later. Most of the demotic texts from this archive are unpublished even today.

In the Hermitage in St Petersburg there are several ostraca (inscribed potsherds) which record dreams, experienced either by the twins themselves or in one case possibly by Apollonios. Another text in the series is in the Louvre. These too have never been published, but I had the good fortune to be sent photographs of them. The Hermitage ostraca were originally collected by Count Tischendorf, who also laid his hands on the biblical Codex Sinaiticus, which Stalin was later to sell to the British Museum when he was feeling the pinch. Dream narratives were less marketable, and stayed in Russia. In these texts it is as if we can hear these girls talking (they have a decided preference for direct speech and the present tense rather than anything more formal). Here is one of

them (O. Hermitage 1126). The Pharaoh referred to in the text is Ptolemy VI Philometor, who ruled over Egypt from 170 to 145, and the character at the beginning of the second line is probably Antiochus IV Epiphanes, the histrionic ruler of Syria, who invaded Egypt in 168 BC and humiliatingly had to be thrown out by the Romans:

1. ].. I dream that I am in Memphis. I speak, saying, 'There is
2. ]-e/os [made an] attempt against Memphis; an attack on the father. My
3. fath]er caused them to pass right by Memphis, to go to fight far away.
4. ] .. men of Rome(?) who are sent to fight with their strength.
5. Pharaoh has restored it'. Another (dream): I find myself in the house
6. of the council, and I leap underneath the gate of the dromos.
7. I speak, saying, 'If they close (it), open it, since they will not have a ...
8. which is
9. strong(?)'. Another: I find myself in my house here in the Serapeum.
10. I am moistening a cake in a pottery dish
11. for my meal. Another: I find myself in the house of Thot-[a man's name]
12. I find that he cannot die, and they are scattering flowers
13. in front of me on another cloth of linen.
14. He makes a beaker, and I speak,
15. saying, 'This is a beaker of wine, which is
16. mighty'.

The preoccupation with dishes and meals is typical of the twins, as is the motif of opening and closing doors. But the most interesting theme occurs in the first dream, where there is no doubt that the invasion of Egypt by a foreign power has been turned into an echo of the murder attempt on the twins' father, an event which took place on the river bank at Memphis. In another text there is a marriage ceremony, a theme which also emerges in other texts about the twins, and, as might be expected, a recurring obsession with houses and mother figures.

It is rare that we can enter the head of someone who has been dead for over two millennia, but in these texts we are privileged to be able to do this. Howard Carter remarked that of all the wonders he had discovered in the tomb of Tutankhamun, it was a small bowl of mortar with fingerprints on it which made the greatest impression on him. The dreams of the twins in St Petersburg have the same effect on me. They do away with time, and turn an investigator into something like an eavesdropper. That is one reason for being an Egyptologist.

## SELWYN AT LAMBETH PALACE

*As part of the celebrations of the College's 125th birthday, the Archbishop of Canterbury, the College Visitor, presided at Evensong and a Reception at Lambeth Palace on 15 May. Seven decades of the life of the College were represented among the 120 members of the College for whom room could be found in the Palace Chapel. The Archbishop was supported by the Archbishop of York (SE 1974), the Archbishop of Wales (SE 1969) and the Rt Revd Lord Harries (SE 1958). With the kind permission of the Archbishop, the transcript of his Sermon at Evensong is reproduced below:*

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

George Augustus Selwyn's reputation rested very largely on his work as an apostle in the Pacific. It was with embarrassingly ill-concealed reluctance that he returned to the un-pacific pastures of the Church of England after his distinguished ministry on the other side of the world. But the effects of his ministry in the Pacific are still visible for those who visit there. And they're visible most particularly in two aspects of church life: one is the powerfully strong commitment to synodical government, the participation of all members of the body of Christ in its decision-making; and the other is in the really remarkable embrace of indigenous culture that characterised Selwyn's mission and was echoed in the sacrificial work of John Coleridge Patteson, a martyr of Melanesia.

From the start, Selwyn and Patteson and other missionaries insisted that those to whom they preached should themselves become active preachers. They should become active disseminators of the Gospel not by servile imitation of their European lords and masters but by finding a language for the Gospel in their own terms. Any of you who have ever encountered the Melanesian brothers will know just how successful that was. That unique religious community in the Solomon Islands and Papua New Guinea and neighbouring areas expresses perhaps more than anything else about the Pacific church life the vision of Selwyn and Patteson and others – a robust indigenous culture saturated with the Gospel, holy and yet challengingly at home in its own cultural environment.

In short, Selwyn believed what we heard in the epistle reading this evening. When it says he ascended, what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the Earth? He who descended as the same one who ascended far above all the heavens so that he might fill all things. Selwyn's idea of 'mission' was that the Gospel was there to fill all things. It was there to penetrate into the realities of human culture wherever they were, in whatever locality they were to be found, whatever language culture was spoken in. The Gospel was not to be a carefully conserved cut-glass export, like the container of the precious oil poured over Jesus' feet, the containers of the Gospel had to be broken again and again so that life could be shared, just as in the great Jewish metaphor: 'The breaking of the vessels of the beginning of time allows glory to flood the created universe so that he might fill all things'.

And when the church engages with its culture, including its intellectual culture, then it is being obedient to that word and that vision, less dramatically perhaps but no less truly than Selwyn in the Pacific. Selwyn College owes its beginnings to the embrace of intellectual culture by the church. An embrace in the beginning which, at the beginning as we've heard, was perhaps a little bit more of a chaste kiss and hand-holding than anything very much more robust, with that emphasis on plainness and simplicity and a certain amount of caution about the lures of academic glamour. And yet, the vision is true enough. The church was doing once again what it had done in the most creative periods of its history – seeking to inhabit its cultural environment; to fill all things; to listen to what was actually being said and done in that environment and suffuse it with good news.

Over the 125 years of its existence Selwyn College (it might be said) has more and more surely and confidently grown into what that embrace means. It is recognised at various points that an embrace is not a stifling encompassing; the embrace of culture and the intellect brings with it a respect for the otherness of the culture, the freedom of intellectual life and exploration which the church should never seek to stifle. And yet throughout that period, the Christian witness which is bound in with the life of the college, has sought surely, exactly what the apostle seeks. We must no longer be children tossed to-and-fro, and blown about by every wind of doctrine. Speaking the truth in love we must grow up in every way into Him who is the head. For the apostle the purpose of Christ's embrace of all things, Christ's filling of all things, was that every aspect of our humanity should grow to its full potential so that it could speak of God; so that it could in some way echo the suffusing of human nature by divine life which was present without qualification or reserve in the life of Jesus Christ. And this growing up is a matter of people no longer being vulnerable to the opinions, the manipulations, the bullyings – intellectual and otherwise – of other people. It's a matter of confidently taking authority and responsibility for what you believe and what you do, owning a vision of a universe in which compassion, mutuality, love and thanksgiving are the cardinal points.

What that maturity, that growing into the measure of the stature of Christ's fullness, means for the various members of the foundation over the decades will have varied enormously and it will vary even more as the decades go on. And yet surely it is a vision worth celebrating, worth giving thanks for if we see it in terms of the embrace of the intellect by the church as issuing in that confident freedom, that liberty not to be manipulated, not to be bullied, not to be deluded, which is celebrated in our epistle.

The health of the intellectual life is seen in that kind of confidence. I may be argued from a position or into a position, but I will not be manipulated. I am not simply at the mercy of someone quicker on their feet than I am. I am not the tool of a sophist, I have a mind, I have a liberty; and that mind and that liberty will be at the service of a vision I can acknowledge as my own. No longer tossed to-and-fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine.

So, in giving thanks for Selwyn, for Bishop Selwyn and the College named for him, we are able to re-commit ourselves not only to the embrace of the intellectual environment by the church, but to give thanks for a vision of maturity; a vision of clear-eyed liberty; a freedom of spirit able to believe that God is free enough, transcendent enough to fill all things, to enter into the furthest corners of our individual humanity and our variegated global culture.

We celebrate that possibility, that open door into freedom, into growth, speaking the truth in love, a phrase sadly abused by its misuse to describe that peculiar form of Christian charity which consists in kindly reminding other people of their inferiority to you. But, as a motto for the life of an intellectual institution, what could be better? We speak the truth, not as a mark of arrogance and exclusion; we speak the truth as a loving gift to one another; we speak the truth so that those we speak to may become more human, and we listen to the truth they speak to us so that we too may grow up into that fullness of humanity.

Selwyn believed that and acted upon it in his mission. Selwyn College has believed that and acts upon it in its mission. May it do so for the decades, and please God even the centuries ahead.

Amen.

## SELWYN 125 IN EDINBURGH

*The following talk was given by Sir David Harrison in June to Selwyn alumni in Edinburgh:*

My brief is to talk about Selwyn's 125 years which is a sufficiently impossible task as to allow me to do it in my own way. With respect to *As you like it*, I am going to touch on '7 ages' in the history of the College. My list is entirely personal, and it includes some events which did not seem of much importance at the time (save to those closely involved), but later it became apparent how significant they were.

The **first** is the founding of the College in 1882 which is obviously not one of the more hidden moments. It is improper nowadays to work the old boy network but we had better be upfront and acknowledge that the fact that Gladstone and Bishop Selwyn were born in the same year (1809) and were exact contemporaries at Eton did the founding of the College no harm at all. Gladstone procured a Royal Charter for Selwyn from Queen Victoria with scant reference to the University of Cambridge and, although the College was not launched with the pomp that attended the founding of Downing in 1807, a public launch did take place. We were founded together with two other colleges both of which failed. One such – Cavendish College – built the Victorian wing of what is now Homerton College (which moved to Cambridge from London in the early 1890s). College economics were stark in those days – the new foundations had no endowments and therefore unless enough students arrived able to pay fees they went bankrupt and they had to close. By and large, Selwyn only put up buildings it had paid for; and the first academic staff of the College were paid a pittance.

The College was governed by an external Council whose main task was to appoint the Master. The holder of that office enjoyed great power – even the Council itself could not make a decision without the Master’s consent and he hired and fired all College staff, academic and domestic. Writing at the time it was said that the College was ‘an almost unfettered autocracy’ and the Master was ‘an absolute monarch within our walls’. The Council of course saw to it that the first Master (Lyttelton) had been educated at Eton. He was only 30 when he arrived, but then Mrs Gladstone was his aunt.

Selwyn’s first constitution required its Master, Fellows and Scholars to be members of the Church of England, and this was only a few years after the repeal of the Test Acts in 1871 which sought to outlaw religious discrimination. It seems, however, that the young College had powerful friends at its launch because an attempt by St Edmund’s House to gain University recognition in 1898 was turned down, which probably shows the Church of England carried more weight than the Church of Rome in late Victorian England.

I now move to my **second** age. The academic staff of the new College were not only badly paid but they had no effective part in College government as Fellows, as was the case elsewhere in Cambridge. This lack of involvement and status caused resentment but the first attempt to bring about change was opposed by the third Master, Kirkpatrick, who would not countenance any erosion in the powers of the Master. However, in 1907, he moved to Ely as Dean, and in noting his move the College *Calendar* records (and I quote) ‘The past year has been fruitful in changes in the College staff, Dr Kirkpatrick has left us for the Deanery of Ely’. The climate then changed and, although it took a while to draft a new College constitution, the first Fellows of Selwyn (five in number) were elected in 1913, when the College was described as ‘free of debt and full of men’. Although enormously significant for those concerned, all this must have seemed a small matter beyond the walls of the College. Nevertheless, thereafter, Selwyn had a ‘Master and Fellows’ who survived World War One when the number of undergraduates in residence dropped to seven in 1917, and the War’s aftermath in 1919 when there was an explosion in student numbers made up in large part by returning ex-Service men.

The Royal Commission on Oxford and Cambridge in the 1920s brought a small change for Selwyn in that it was no longer to be called a ‘Public Hostel’ but an ‘Approved Foundation’. But my **third** window on the history of the College is in 1937 when the University removed the cap on the number of students Selwyn was allowed to admit. This was the achievement of the seventh Master, George Chase, who later became Bishop of Ripon. Chase was the first Master of Selwyn to understand how the University really worked and he was a member of the University Council at a crucial moment. The 1930s saw hard times and all colleges just about covered their running costs on student fees, and the few students they managed to admit above a break-even number provided a little money for development or endowment. Consequently, a cap on numbers could be potentially very damaging. Again, this seemingly small administrative change was vital for the health of the young college, particularly after World War Two when there was a very sharp rise in student numbers.

As a foot-note to the 1930s, the still-new College was gaining confidence and *esprit de corps* and this was in part due to the triumphs of the Boat Club. The Selwyn Lent boat of 1933 was 2nd on the river, which was astonishing for a foundation without the usual rowing traditions. Later that decade Ran Laurie not only stroked the Cambridge boat (which then always beat Oxford), but he went on in 1948 to win an Olympic Gold medal.

This takes me to my **fourth** age. I am sure there are some here this evening who can recall the extreme scarcity of bricks for building in the post-War years: housing a rapidly-growing university therefore presented great problems. My first job in Selwyn as a new Fellow was Rooms Tutor when we had nearly 100 undergraduates in lodgings. The Selwyn Bursar at the time, Percy Spear, an historian of India, persuaded a nervous College that it would be prudent to acquire large houses near the College when they came on the market. The College had to borrow the money, of course, but in time the debt was cleared by student rents. Sixteen houses were eventually bought: 19, 21, 23, 25, 29, 31, 38, 40 and 42 Grange Road; 17, 19, 21 and 23 West Road; and 2, 4 and 6 Cranmer Road. Nearly all were leasehold but a change in the law permitted the freeholds to be purchased. And in particular and very importantly, Caius sold us the freehold of land to the north of the Old Court towards West road on which Ann's Court is now being built; and Jesus sold us their freehold in Cranmer Road on which Cripps Court now stands.

The approval of new Statutes for Selwyn by the Queen in Council on 15 March 1957 is my **fifth** moment of College history. The gestation of the new Statutes was not at all easy because the eighth Master, William Telfer, was far from comfortable with the removal of the condition that Masters of Selwyn were required to be Clerks in Holy Orders. But the Fellows were not to be deflected from their path of aligning Selwyn's constitution with those of other colleges; and indeed the Fellowship had come into its own in a way unthinkable in Edwardian Selwyn.

Although of the greatest importance to the Fellowship, this constitutional change was barely noticed by junior members (I was one at the time). The extra responsibilities laid on the College were not particularly numerous – the Master could become Vice-Chancellor and a Fellow of Selwyn a University Proctor. Both of these came to pass in 1969, with Owen Chadwick and Paul Fairest (our first law Fellow). Nevertheless, psychologically, the constitutional change was highly significant because, thereafter, members of the College no longer had to try to explain that an Approved Foundation was 'nearly an ordinary College'. In addition, the College was able to take part in a full way in the very considerable development of the University in the 1960s – that uniquely-expansive decade in UK Higher education.

This takes me to my **sixth** point – the admission of women to Selwyn in 1976. When bachelor Fellows of the College became engaged to be married 50 years ago the fact was always recorded in the College *Calendar* in the same terms (and I quote) 'that, while congratulations were in order, these were mixed with regret that it would mean that he will cease to live in College'.



After the founding of the third women's college (New Hall) in 1954, it was obvious that further opportunities for the education of women in Cambridge could only come about by the creation of mixed colleges. And that is what happened – within two decades (the 1970s and 1980s) – all the men's colleges became mixed, as did Girton. It was fast work considering the University had existed for nearly 800 years. Each college made its own decision and Selwyn's came early, together with Sidney Sussex. The Acting Master, with us this evening, was the first woman Fellow of Selwyn.

The strength (even passion) of the debates in colleges prior to the decisions being taken was in marked contrast to the calm way the actual change took place. The Selwyn Fellowship had within it widely divergent views but there were no resignations when the final decision was taken. Indeed, some of those most doubtful about the admission of women were the most welcoming when they actually arrived. Sometimes, of course, a Fellow could momentarily forget their world had changed as was vividly illustrated for me by a woman who now holds an academic post at a distinguished university. She was placed in the First class in Part I of the Geographical Tripos at the end of her second year, and she paraded to see her Tutor at the start of her third year. Her Tutor, not unreasonably, asked about her plans after graduation and she said she was thinking of doing a PhD. She told me she will never forget the initial look of utter astonishment on her Tutor's face, because he clearly thought such an idea was well below the radar of occupations that women (even clever ones) could possibly contemplate. He quickly recovered, of course, and gave her a superb reference for graduate work.

The College had in fact little hard evidence as to how its past members (all men) would react to the admission of women, but I can tell you that most of the early inquiries about the admission of women to the mixed College came from Selwyn fathers/grandfathers about daughters/granddaughters.

I now reach my **seventh** and contemporary stage which is hardly history. It is well covered by the regular issues of the College *Calendar*, the Annual Report just out, and the Newsletters. If you do not see these, and you would like to, please let us know.

The College is in good heart, and visitors to Selwyn seem to agree. The second stage of Ann's Court has now reached full height and we expect the building, which includes a new JCR, will be handed over to the College next April. Our 125th year has been a marvellous excuse for parties and reunions, listed in the Newsletter, including the first May Ball for some while. There was a splendid occasion in Lambeth Palace last month when, at the Archbishop's invitation, 120 members of the College attended Evensong and a Reception. The Archbishop, who is the College Visitor, was supported notably by the Archbishops of York and Wales, and Bishop Lord Harries – all members of the College.

## THE RAMSAY MURRAY LECTURE 2008

*Professor John Morrill writes:*

The Ramsay Murray lecture has established itself over the past 15 years or so as one of the most attractive events in the College and indeed the University calendar. The College has, by and large, chosen its speakers wisely, and they have responded with sparkling lectures that have combined academic merit with an appeal to wide audiences drawn from across the University and beyond. The formula – lecture, drinks reception, a dinner for Fellows and a roughly equal number of guests drawn from those who engage with the speaker’s interests – is simple but effective. We find that guests almost always accept the invitations and we have had very convivial evenings as well as good lectures. This has proved a most benign bequest. For the most part we have drawn our speakers from amongst the Cambridge diaspora in Britain and North America, and only once, before this year, have we invited a speaker from within Cambridge (Baroness O’Neill, the distinguished ethicist, when she was Principal of Newnham, and who spoke powerfully about the freedom of the press and how to curtail its abuses). This year, for the first time, we invited someone who is a teacher within the University. Professor Quentin Skinner, Regius Professor of Modern History and Fellow of Christ’s has been one of the most regular of all attenders of the lectures and a frequent guest at the dinners, and since he is retiring this summer after 46 years as a Cambridge don, we thought it good to invite him. He gave an electrifying lecture – as it turns out, his valedictory lecture to Cambridge – on ‘A genealogy of liberty’ a subject he has made very much his own. He traced competing ideas of liberty (one might say a Montagu and Capulet line), and he showed how an illegitimate line sired by Hobbes has had a malign effect ever since the 1650s. His lecture ended with an urgent plea that we all understand better what it is to be a free person and so to identify what modern governments, according themselves more and more discretionary power, are doing to erode our liberty. A packed audience showed its appreciation with thunderous and prolonged applause and with a range of excellent questions that revealed that members of at least five Faculties had felt challenged by what Quentin had had to say. It was the kind of occasion that Alexander Ramsay Murray had imagined when he made his bequest. His commemorative lecture has come of age.

## THE SENIOR TUTOR’S REPORT

*Dr Michael Tilby writes:*

As far as 2007-08 is concerned, there can be no doubt as to the most memorable moment in the academic life of the College. It was the publication of the Tripos results. Soon after the various class-lists began to appear on the Senate House noticeboards, it became clear that the number of Firsts awarded to Selwyn undergraduates was likely to exceed our recent record-breaking figures of 73 and 74. It took rather longer for us to have an

idea of the margin. By the time the final results were declared, the College had, however, notched up the magnificent total of 98 Firsts (that figure including, as usual, the Distinctions awarded in Part IIB of the Engineering Tripos). Such an achievement, bolstered by a solid phalanx of 2.1s, especially in those subjects that still make significant use of the 2.2 class, had an obvious consequence: the appearance of Selwyn, for the first time, at the top of the overall Baxter Table. The latter, as regular readers of this letter will recall, is the table to which members of the University pay most attention. The Tompkins Table, which is the one published in the national press, weights the results slightly differently. At the time of writing, it had still to appear. Given the fact that in 2007 the College's position in Tompkins (4th) was one place higher than its position in Baxter, there is every reason to be hopeful that the outside world will this year see the College ranked number 1. Should that be the case, I shall happily leave it to the Development Director to see what lucrative sponsorship deals might be secured as a result!

Our Engineering candidates topped their Baxter subject table, with five of those in IB and no fewer than seven in IA getting a First, a magnificent achievement. Our Economists were, once again, 2nd. Our Modern Linguists were 6<sup>th</sup>. For obvious statistical reasons, the small subjects do not have their own separate tables, but it can safely be assumed that we would have been very high up in Archaeology, Chemical Engineering, Computer Science, Land Economy, and Theology. It is nonetheless the case that our pre-eminent position in the all-subjects table was the result of the fact that in no subject was the College in the second half. In other words, our success was the result of an unusually uniform level of performance across the board.

That this outstanding achievement should have coincided with the 125th anniversary of the College's foundation was a legitimate reason for additional satisfaction. I was struck, too, by the evident pride and pleasure that members of the College staff took in the students' success. This was a reminder, if one were needed, of their own contribution to the achievement, both through the provision of a friendly environment that starts so magnificently at the Porters' Lodge and through the creation of a high standard of service in every other area of the College, whether it be in the gardens, the kitchens, the College Bar, the Library, the IT, Domestic, and Maintenance Departments, or the College and Tutorial Offices. The burgeoning activities of the Development and Alumni Relations Office have, for their part, begun to cultivate in our current undergraduates a nice awareness of being members of a College with both a history and a future. In all these areas, students are surrounded by an admirable professionalism that can only encourage emulation of similarly high standards. Needless to say, a vital part has been played by all those involved in the teaching of undergraduates, the directing of their studies, and the provision of pastoral care. The efforts of the Fellowship in these areas have been impressive and, indeed, second to none, though, as is the case in every other Cambridge college, Selwyn is dependent on an array of academics and postgraduate students from across the University for the provision of additional teaching and, in the case of some of the smaller subjects, direction of studies. The College also owes a special debt to its Admissions Tutors, Dr Keeler and Dr Sewell, who have been tireless in recruiting candidates of excellence.

It is of course to the undergraduates themselves that the warmest congratulations are due. It is their commitment to academic study, and their readiness to work hard to achieve their potential academically, that form the principal reasons for the College's examination success. What the statistics based solely on the class-lists conceal is the range of outstanding individual achievements. Amongst those candidates worthy of special mention are T N Pells (3rd in Part II Archaeology), W P Liu (9th in Part IIA Chemical Engineering), R A Hubble (6th in Part I Chemical Engineering), C A L Reams (2nd in Part II Computer Science), R M Cooper (5th in Part IA Computer Science), J G Pugh Ginn (6th in Part IA Classics), O D Telfer (in the top 5% in Part I Economics), P G Jones (10th in Part IIB Engineering), M A Mottram (15th in Part IIA Engineering), P J Wilkinson (5th in Part IA Engineering), R J Ansell (a Starred First, and 4th in Part II History), G A V C Sacks (2nd in Part II Land Economy), S T N Yeung (3rd in Part II Land Economy), R D Pritchard (6th in Part II Land Economy), V V Thien (4th in Part IB Law), C W von Keyserlingk (2nd in Part IB Mathematics), N S Burkoff (7th in Part IB Mathematics), J R Taylor (12th in Part IB Medical and Veterinary Sciences), E E Brown (13th in Part IA Medical and Veterinary Sciences), B Watkins (9th in Part IB MML), C J L Davis (8th in Part IA French), J K Scott (1st in Part II Biological and Biomedical Sciences), M L Quigley (3rd in Part II Genetics), B D Conduit (4th in Part II Materials Science), C H Barter (6th in Part II Physiology, Development and Neuroscience), M J Bostock (7th in Part II Biochemistry), K Kiatlertongsa (8th in Part II Chemistry), A Brown (13th in Part IA Natural Sciences), A Kazim (4th in Part IA Philosophy), and S P W Brewster (5th in Part II Theology) – together, in all likelihood, with one or more Selwyn candidates who produced excellent First Class marks but for whom no ranking was provided by their Faculties. In addition, University Prizes were won by no fewer than five Selwyn candidates: C A L Reams, P G Jones, V V Thien, J K Scott, and S P W Brewster.

Readers might be forgiven for assuming that such success was the result of a narrow dedication by our undergraduates to their studies. This could not be further from the truth, and, in this connection, it is worth mentioning that this year the Tutors had great difficulty deciding between the merits of a number of final-year undergraduates who, having combined high academic achievement with notable contributions to the wider life of the College, had been nominated for Imber-Lloyd and Christopher Johnson awards. It may not have been a vintage year on the river or on the games field, but the sheer number of undergraduates participating in competitive sport was noteworthy. The Athletics team won Cuppers. Selwyn students represented the University in a number of sports, including football, athletics, and boxing. It would have been good to be able to mention all these students by name, and steps are being taken to ensure that in future a complete record of University level sporting achievements is compiled in the course of the year. Drama has been pursued with both talent and enthusiasm, culminating in the Mighty (sic) Players' production in May Week of *The Importance of Being Earnest*, directed by a first-year historian, Verity Clements. The Chapel Choir has been rewarded for its distinction with a commission to record music by a contemporary composer, John Spicer, and with several prestigious invitations, including one to sing at

a special evensong at St Giles', Cripplegate to mark the 400th anniversary of the birth of John Milton. Together with the Chapel Choir of Gonville and Caius College, the choir also sang at the ceremony in the Senate House at which the Archbishop of York, who, it will be recalled, is a Selwyn alumnus, received an honorary degree. Those reading music, as well as a number of those reading other subjects, have been active in recitals and concerts across the University. There was again an art exhibition of quality, while a competition was held to choose a design for the solid white fence that separates the Ann's Court building site from the North Range of the Old Court. Sponsored by our builders, Morgan Ashurst (formerly Bluestone), it was won by a clinical vet, Catherine Williams, who subsequently participated in its painting, along with others, under the direction of a final-year English student, Ling Low. The results have been much admired by members of the College and visitors alike. A third-year modern linguist turned lawyer, Sanjay Patel, accompanied by a partner from Fitzwilliam College, won the intervarsity moot. All these activities, along with many others, have helped to give the College an unmistakable buzz this year. This has been evident even in the everyday social interaction between students, Fellows and staff. In short, there has been an infectious liveliness permeating every area of College life.

Just as the international composition of the College continues to develop, so the Masters level exchange between Selwyn and Brown University in the United States continues to flourish. It was a particular pleasure to have its sponsor, our shared alumnus Charlie Craig, with us at this year's Craig Dinner in Cambridge, just it had been for me to attend the equivalent dinner in Providence six months previously.

The College is also looking forward to being able to promote mathematical studies, and to assist its undergraduate and graduate students of mathematics, as a result of a generous benefaction by Professor Henry Beker, father of a former Selwyn undergraduate (and father-in-law of another). The fund will make possible support for the subject that would otherwise have been beyond our means and will encourage the further development of an already flourishing subject.

With this reference to the future, it only remains for me to extend my very best wishes to my successor, Dr Keeler, who becomes Senior Tutor in September. It is a rare privilege to be succeeded by someone who enjoys one's total confidence. I am sure that he will find the post every bit as fulfilling as I have over the past sixteen and a half years.

# THE ADMISSIONS TUTORS' REPORT

*Dr James Keeler and Dr Mike Sewell write:*

Admissions to top-rank universities, and in particular Oxbridge, remains a sensitive political issue. The Government, through the Office of Fair Access (OFFA), has made it clear that they expect all universities to take significant steps towards widening participation by groups who are presently under-represented. This does not just mean increasing numbers from the maintained sector, but also attracting successful applicants from those that are classified as low-participation areas and social groups. Collectively, the Admissions Tutors of all of the colleges are committed to doing our best to achieve the goals set before us, both because we believe that widening access is an imperative for the University and because there are severe consequences for us if we do not make significant progress towards the goals agreed with OFFA. However, at the same time we remain entirely wedded to the principle of offering places to those best qualified and best able to take advantage of a Cambridge education, regardless of background. Trying to balance these two aims is by no means an easy task, and sometimes it can seem to beleaguere Admissions Tutors that everybody has a grievance against us. Nevertheless, we continue to enjoy visiting schools and colleges, hosting open days, meeting potential students and teachers, and generally promoting the University, and Selwyn in particular. Luckily for us, we can honestly sing the praises of Selwyn as an excellent place to develop both academically and personally, as testified by the many achievements you can read about elsewhere in the *Calendar* and which begin with recruitment and selection.

Open Days remain popular with potential students and, so it seems, their parents. In recent years two University-wide open days have been held in early July, and these are regularly attracting 4000 plus visitors on each day. Most colleges, Selwyn included, run their own open days in the mornings, leaving visitors free to sample the events put on by faculties and departments in the afternoon. Given that we have University as well as College duties, these Open Days can be rather frantic, with both of us rushing back and forth between Selwyn and the central sites giving various kinds of talks and welcoming our visitors. As the afternoon wears on most of the colleges simply keep open house for any visitors who wish to look around, and a surprising number make their way up to Selwyn. It is very gratifying to hear the quite literal gasps of surprise and pleasure as visitors come in through the main gate to see the Old Court bathed in late-afternoon sunlight – we are perhaps so familiar with the view that we forget simply how stunning the College looks. Tours around the College, including student rooms, are very popular on these occasions and we have been lucky to have a number of current students to lead these. Selwyn students are our best ambassadors when it comes to admissions, coming across as both serious minded yet down to earth and approachable.

It is now a well-established pattern for each college, on behalf of the whole University, to 'target' a particular area of the country when it comes to trying to increase the profile of Cambridge. For several years now we at Selwyn have been working with Education Leeds, and it is fair to say that this work has led to an increase in the awareness of what Cambridge has to offer, and a significant flow of high-quality applicants to Cambridge from the Leeds area. We are now looking to cast the net somewhat wider in this area and have begun to establish links with schools and colleges in the Wakefield area. Despite being geographically close, there are some significant differences between the two areas, but we are confident that we will be able to build a good working relationship with our new partners in that city.

As ever, the Admissions Tutors rely very much on the dedication and cooperation of colleagues when it comes to the intensive round of interviewing and decision making in December and January. Without our colleagues' active participation and interest, the whole admissions system would simply grind to a halt. The Admissions Secretary, Stephanie Pym, continues to run the office with calm efficiency, even when things are at their most frantic in December: we are very grateful to her for all that she does for us.

## MIDDLE COMBINATION ROOM

*George Roberts, MCR President, writes:*

Once again the MCR has had a busy and active year, looking to continue popular activities for members as well as introducing new ones. New members were welcomed in October 2007 with our usual mixture of meet and greet sessions, pub visits and the first MCR dinner of the year. The dinners have continued throughout the year and have included a 1920s dinner as well as the blue dinner. The dinners have been complemented by more relaxed social gatherings such as the weekly film night on Sunday evenings as well as the free breakfast on Monday mornings. Opportunities for members to present their research have also continued through the regular Work in Progress talks. This year, topics have included 'What do we know when we say we know a language?' (Linguistics) and a talk on South American slum housing (Architecture) as well as history and veterinary science. On the sporting front, the MCR football team (a joint effort with Robinson MCR) struggled this season having lost many players over the summer. The MCR also combined with Robinson (along with Ridley Hall) to form a mixed cricket team, which recorded its first ever win this year. Many members continue to have musical interests, with members playing in University groups as diverse as Fitz Swing, the Graduate Orchestra and the University Brass Band among others.

Over the summer, the MCR hopes to continue entertaining students during the long research period. As the nights lengthen, the committee plans to hold barbeques and members will undoubtedly take advantage of the MCR's agreement for the free use of Darwin's punts. Overall, the MCR has had a good year and members will be looking to continue it over the next year.

## JUNIOR COMBINATION ROOM

*Mr Bryn Watkins, JCR President, writes:*

2008 has so far seen a continuation of the general goodwill that exists between students and College. Despite disagreements over gym noise and midweek Bops, relations have largely been friendly and fruitful. Student contributions to the running of the College have been both ethical, with student pressure leading to the creation of an Environmental Affairs Subcommittee charged with improving Selwyn's impact on our planet, and somewhat more frivolous, with student efforts being central to the success of the 125th Anniversary May Ball. Our input into updating fire regulations has also ensured that from September all Gyp Rooms will finally be endowed with microwaves, a most pleasing development.

The JCR has also continued to arrange a variety of entertainments for its members, including many well-attended Bops. The innovative 'Graffiti' Bop was a particular success; attendees were armed with a fresh white T-shirt and several marker pens upon entering and were then free to decorate themselves and others as they chose. Other Ents have included LGBT Awareness Cocktails, the rebirth of Selwyn Sessions in the bar and of course the Snowball. This year's Snowball showed how much we can achieve in full cooperation with other College departments, transporting guests to the newly-discovered Americas, where they danced and feasted for many happy hours. Secretive preparations for the next are already well underway.

The JCRc does, however, have other roles than to keep undergraduates amused. We represent Selwynites not just to College, but to CUSU. Indeed, Selwyn continues to have an active voice in CUSU, recently playing an important role in the controversial debate about the 'No Platform' policy. Those who know anything of such debates will be aware of the passion provoked, those who do not would probably do well to avoid getting involved unless made of stern stuff! Selwyn also voted at Open Meeting to support a radical change to CUSU's stance on tuition fees, which now mandates the central union to focus its campaigning on opposing any increase to the current £3145 (plus inflation) cap. With the government's Higher Education Spending Review fast approaching and many figures, including the Vice-Chancellor, supporting deeper marketisation of the Higher Education system, the fight against variable fees and their potentially disastrous effects on social mobility and the Access agenda is now more pressing than for many years. On a more personal level, Selwyn congratulates former JCR President Adam Colligan on winning a second year as CUSU's Services Officer, where he will be continuing much-needed structural reforms. We also witnessed Wes Streeting, another former JCR President, be elected NUS President.

Perhaps the biggest change to the JCR this year has not been a specific policy or purchase, but rather an overhaul of the way we make decisions. After several years battling against low turnout at Open Meetings, a constitutional amendment was passed in Lent Term to lay the groundwork for the introduction of Online Ratification. Under this new system



Open Meetings are retained as the natural home of policy proposal, debate and amendment, but no longer have a quoracy stipulation. Motions passed are instead ratified (or not!) via a secure online ballot. With this change in procedure, utterly in keeping with the JCR's foundation as a direct democracy, we hope to involve much wider sections of the student body in the decision making process of the committee that speaks in their name. The long-term effects of this development remain to be seen, but nearly 100 students participated in the first ballot and other colleges have shown an interest in the procedure.

This brings me neatly to a brief look at the future. Next year sees two important changes for the JCR. Firstly we will be moving the Common Room, TV Room and JCR Office to expanded facilities in the new space under the southern wing of Ann's Court. The plans look very exciting! Next year also sees the winding up of the current five-year agreement regarding rents increases. After several years of steep, albeit necessary, rent hikes, the renegotiation of this situation will be a top priority for students. I am sure my successor, current Vice-President Olivia Wilkinson, will be well able to fight our corner so that while students pay their fair share of the cost of keeping Selwyn afloat, they are not placed under undue financial pressure in these days of ever-mounting student debts and rising living costs. It may not be possible to see with clarity the financial future of Selwyn and its students, but with another Freshers' Week fast approaching, bringing with it a new intake of energy and ideas, I am confident that the JCR has a healthy future to look forward to.

## KIWI

*Kerri Lyon, the Editor of Kiwi, reports:*

*Kiwi* has had another illustrious year. Not only has it continued to publish marginally relevant stories, but I like to think it has kept the student body (and hopefully some of the Fellows) amused. So far, the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Edition (under Michael Ansbro's editorship) and the more conventional issues have been published, as has a new venture for *Kiwi* – an online version of the magazine serving as a room guide for the balloting first years written not from the perspective of Selwyn administration but by students living in the various accommodation options themselves.

*Kiwi* has remained a point of interest both for alumni (judging by the enthusiastic emails I received on the subject of the anniversary edition) and current undergraduates. Veteran writers have continued submitting articles, and new people have been getting involved (some of whom have been at Selwyn for longer than I have, and yet have only just taken to writing), which is great to see.

*Kiwi* will, undoubtedly, continue into next year the way it always has – very much more personal than University-wide publications and a well loved part of Selwyn. And of course, the debate about whether our *Kiwi* is a bird or a fruit will continue to rage on.

## DEVELOPMENT AND ALUMNI RELATIONS OFFICE

*Mrs Heather Kilpatrick, Development Director, writes:*

This has been a year of many highlights, with the 125th anniversary being the focus of much that has been undertaken this year. The celebrations began with the launch of our coffee table book, *Selwyn Celebrated*, in September, to much acclaim. Written and researched by Mike Good, this informal but informative book tells the story of Selwyn from its humble beginnings to its present position in 21st-century Cambridge.

The Service of Celebration and reception held at Lambeth Palace in May enabled us to mark the anniversary in a way which many alumni have since commented was entirely fitting, given the College's ecclesiastical roots. The Archbishop of Canterbury as College Visitor and his wife, Mrs Williams, were generous hosts and the event was notable as much for its relaxed atmosphere and the warmth of welcome as for the beautiful location and quality of the Archbishop's sermon.

The end of March saw the launch of the long-awaited Online Directory at <http://alumni.sel.cam.ac.uk/>. Alumni and former Fellows at last have an easy-to-use electronic alternative to the hard copies that we used to produce (the last one was printed in Lent Term 1998 before the Data Protection Act of the same year complicated such publications). Those with longer memories will recall the old style *Calendars*, up to half of which could be consumed by lists of names, dates and addresses. Over 1200 people have already registered, and it is hoped that many more will follow. It should be noted that any updates to the Directory automatically reach the Development & Alumni Relations Office. However, if you inform us direct of a change of address (e.g. by telephone or e-mail) you will still need to change your Online Directory entry as you control the data appearing there.

There has been much activity on the fundraising front, with more supporters than ever making a financial contribution towards the future of the College. In response to this increased support, the *Annual Report* was produced in order to explain fully the College's finances and to describe the activities of this office, as well as to clarify the use of the money which is so generously donated. One or two gifts this year have enabled the College to break new ground, which has been particularly gratifying. We will shortly be advertising for applications to the new Donal Morphy Research Fellowship in Electrical Engineering, made possible through a generous donation. The Beker Mathematics Fund will also be able to offer grants to students from the Michaelmas Term 2008, thanks to the generosity of the grateful father of a Mathematics alumna.

Speaking of parents, we held our first ever parents' programme this year. Parents of undergraduates were invited to sign up to receive the College's publications, and to attend a lunch. On 19 April the Hall was filled with 173 parents and students, who enjoyed a buffet lunch and a talk from Nigel Newton (SE 1973-6), Chairman and Chief Executive of Bloomsbury Publishing. He spoke about the influence his time at Selwyn

had on him, and how he has made good – and sometimes not so good – judgments as to which texts to publish. Harry Potter is familiar to us all as his best-known success, although we were interested to learn of his chagrin at having turned down *Bravo Two Zero*, which went on to become a best-seller.

As always, there will be plenty of occasions in the coming year for you to come back to College or to attend events held outside Cambridge. You may wish to note the following dates for your diary:

- 17 November 2008 – London event at the National Liberal Club
- 7 March 2009 – 1882 Society dinner (for those in the College’s Legacy Society)
- 4 April 2009 – 20-year reunion for those who matriculated in 1989
- 3 July 2009 – Commemoration of Benefactors for those who came up before 1960, and in 1964, 1974, 1984 and 1994
- 4 July 2009 – Donors’ Garden Party (open to all donors and their families)
- 5 September 2009 – 30- and 40-year reunion for those who matriculated in 1969 and 1979
- 12 September 2009 – 50-year reunion for those who matriculated in 1959
- 26 September 2009 – Selwyn Association Dinner (open to all)

The dedicated staff of this office work extremely hard on behalf of alumni and friends, and my grateful thanks must go to Hannah Courtney (SE 2000-3), Shona Winnard and Mike Good for all they have done over this past year.

## COLLEGE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

*Mrs Sarah Stamford, College Librarian, writes:*

I am pleased to report another successful year for the Library. Borrowing figures in 2006-7 increased by 13%, in particular students in their first and second years made greater use of our books and DVDs, and we are confident that this figure will be exceeded in 07-08. This year we have added some 700 new items, and have carried out an extensive review and reclassification of the Music, Classics and German literature sections.

During the Long Vacation the Library received a welcome facelift, being re-roofed, redecorated and newly carpeted. The Bridge was fully insulated and re-equipped with new computers, and the first floor room (the Old Library) opened up to offer additional study spaces. Students have been generally appreciative of the improved facilities, even if a few were concerned that their favourite seats might have a different ambience, and they can now enjoy the view from the upstairs window of tourist buses passing along Grange Road.

With regard to staffing matters, in October we said goodbye to Mrs Hazel Sanderson, our part-time Library Assistant for five years. In her place we welcomed Mrs Katie Turner, previously of the Faculty of Education Library & Information Service, who has added her experience and enthusiasm to the team.

We very gratefully received a monetary bequest from the Revd A G Woodward, donated with gratitude and affection in memory of the Revd A C Blyth. This enabled us to refresh the Theology and Music sections with more up-to-date stock, already in use by the students. We were also grateful to the following for donations of books: Mr W. Herbert, Mrs Pat Selwood, Marianne Quigley, Fiona Jacob, Dr David Smith, Professor David Nicholls, Professor John Spencer, Robert Gibbs, Alan F. Smith, Dr Stewart Cant, Dr Mike Sewell and Professor Owen Chadwick.

All donations are accepted subject to the terms of the Library's Collection Development Policy, which is available on the Library website: (<http://www.sel.cam.ac.uk/library/collections/collectionspolicy.html>)

The College's contribution to the University's electronic books service continues and we are pleased to be in the forefront of this development in library provision. The Librarian works part-time as Project Manager and the College Office handles financial administration, and is funded by contributions from Colleges, Departments and Faculties and the Isaac Newton Trust. The service offers to all current University staff and students access to over 500 electronic texts, individually selected for their relevance to undergraduate study, and is set to expand further next year. We are also participating in national research project to evaluate the use of ebooks by UK HE and FE students, and to relate this to library circulation and print sales, and are pleased that Cambridge has been selected as one of a limited number of case studies for more detailed analysis.

In March 2008 the College Archivist, Ms Elizabeth Stratton gave birth to a son. Mr Mike Good from the Development Office has stepped in as a Temporary Archivist during her absence on maternity leave to answer general enquiries; during this period the College Archive is necessarily offering a reduced service. Full details are available on the Archives website: <http://www.sel.cam.ac.uk/library/archives/index.html>

## THE CHAPEL

*The Rt Revd R M Hardy, Acting Dean of Chapel and Chaplain, writes:*

Dr Joe Kennedy left Selwyn at the end of the Michaelmas Term, 2007, to be Principal of the College of the Resurrection, Mirfield. The College approached me to come out of retirement and 'stand in' as Chaplain for the Lent and Easter Terms, 2008, supported by John Sweet. In early January I left Cumbria and moved back into the same rooms I had occupied as Chaplain from 1965 to 1972.

Before I moved I decided on two things. First, that I would do my best to sustain the pattern of worship and activity developed by my predecessors. Second, that I would try to identify some of the issues and opportunities that my more permanent successor could usefully grasp. From the beginning the Fellowship and Staff welcomed me and

helped me in a number of practical ways. Sheila Scarlett, the Master's Assistant, filled in the picture of expectations. Sarah MacDonald, the Director of Music in Chapel, produced the Chapel Card, brushed up my singing, and worked with me in organizing the choral contribution to Chapel worship. Philip Blakeley, the Chapel Clerk, master-minded the various rotas and emails needed to sustain our worship, and the Chapel Wardens, Mark Bostock, Abigail Brook and Siobhan Smith, were always ready with help and advice in a variety of ways. I owe them, together with the Sacristans, Cecily Arthur, Mel Harrington and Harriet Johnson, a very considerable debt of gratitude. In addition, Chloe Valenti has ensured that we have had beautiful flowers in Chapel, not only week by week, but also for special occasions, and Guy Bennett-Hunter, our Gosden Scholar, has helped in several ways, in spite of the demands of his own research. To all of them I am extremely grateful.

Attendance at worship in Chapel has held up reasonably well, and special occasions, such as Ash Wednesday and Ascension Day, still attract good congregations. Over 80 attended Choral Compline in the Lent Term. Many undergraduates worship regularly with congregations in town and I sense that there are fewer 'fringe' people in the Christian community than there were. Those who do come are, I think, more devout than in the past. There is, for example, a faithful group at Morning Prayer each day, and the informal services, supported by the Christian Union and the Taizé group in College, are often inspiring and thoughtful. The music in Chapel is both splendid and uplifting, forming a solid core to our worship. Apart from the 'big three' (King's, St John's and Trinity – all Colleges which deploy much greater resources than we are able to do) the music in Chapel is as good as you will find anywhere in Cambridge, and most other places as well. Successive Chaplains have diversified the pattern of worship, without, I think, losing the basic structure familiar within the Church of England. As I have indicated, they have also involved students in both the management of the Chapel and its everyday care. The Chapel Advisory Committee, which includes senior members, has met on a couple of occasions and I hope under my successor will prove a useful forum both for discussion of Chapel life and for clearing recommendations with the College Council.

I drew heavily on the home team for preachers in the Lent Term, but we also enjoyed Dr Timothy Jenkins, Dean of Chapel in Jesus College, and the Reverend Deborah Ford, Assistant Priest at St Bene't's Church, Cambridge from 'outside'. The Reverend Ian Thompson, Dean of King's, kindly stepped in at the last minute when one of our visiting preachers was ill, and Owen Chadwick handsomely replaced (!) the Chaplain of The Queen's Royal Hussars, who was suddenly posted to Iraq. In the Easter Term we heard the Ven. Nigel Peyton, Archdeacon of Newark, the Rt Revd Bill Ind, former Bishop of Truro, Mrs Claire Foster, Lay Canon of St Paul's Cathedral, London and Michael Beasley, Vice-Principal of Westcott House. Thanks to the co-operation of the Catering Manager and the kitchen staff, we have all been able to enjoy a simple Buffet Supper with the visiting preachers in the SCR after Evensong. The three-minute micro-sermons at Tuesday's Choral Evensong have produced some impressive contributions from the wider College community, and have been much appreciated.

It was a particular joy for me to be able to confirm Hannah Milner at the College Eucharist to mark Pentecost. Her parish priest, the Reverend Dr Peter Groves, Priest in charge of St Mary Magdalen, Oxford, supported her in the service and was our preacher. As usual there have been several weddings in Chapel, and in early June, I baptized Sebastian Patrick Georges Murray-Baert, the son of one of our Fellows.

Like all families and communities we have needed to support one another in times of grief and loss. A large number of his former colleagues came to Chapel in February for the Memorial Service for Prof. Tony Bland, a Selwyn graduate and Professorial Fellow. Many former members of the College staff attended the Funeral of Ken Baker who for much of his life worked in the College Office and was a much-loved Chief Clerk. Miriam Ogden, a fifth year Medic in Newnham died early in the Easter Term and I was able to share in her Memorial Service in Clough Hall, together with the Pastor of her congregation in Cambridge.

At the beginning of July we were pleased to welcome back to Selwyn the Revd Prof. Stephen Pattison (SE 1973), Professor of Religion and Ethics and Practice in the University of Birmingham, as our preacher at Commemoration of Benefactors.

Others have written elsewhere about the appointment of the Revd Hugh Shilson-Thomas as Dean of Chapel and Chaplain. It was a privilege to be a part of his appointment process, as it has been a joy to be able to serve the College once again, albeit in a temporary capacity.

## THE CHAPEL CHOIR

*Miss Sarah MacDonald, the Director of Music in Chapel, writes:*

The Chapel Choir has had another busy and successful year with ambitious and exciting music sung both liturgically and in concert. Michaelmas Term saw a packed chapel for a performance of the Duruflé Requiem on Remembrance Sunday, magnificently played by Senior Organ Scholar, Claire Innes-Hopkins (SE 2005). A collection was taken for the Royal British Legion. The choir also sang Evensong at Westminster Abbey, and at St Albans Cathedral, where Claire had been a founding Girl Chorister, as well as two trips to Bury St Edmunds, one for the wedding of a former Choral Exhibitioner's younger sister, and one for a Christmas concert in St Edward's RC Church.

In Lent Term the College was delighted to welcome back Bishop Bob Hardy, by whose gentle and wise guidance the chapel and the choir were warmly blessed for two memorable terms. The choir began the term with a recording of the shorter choral works of contemporary British composer Paul Spicer, many of which are appearing on CD for the first time, and which will be released later this year on the Regent label. Paul himself was there for all of the sessions and we were honoured and delighted to have been selected from among the many choirs with which he works to make this recording.



Other events in the Lent Term included a further performance of the Duruflé Requiem in Goudhurst, Kent, where we were generously hosted by Roger Coombs (SE 1947), and a performance of the Victoria Requiem (1605) in Sandridge, Hertfordshire, organised by Vivian Nutton (SE 1962). We also enjoyed a rather loud performance of the Kodaly Missa Brevis with Clare Choir for a joint Eucharist in February.

Easter Term began with Choral Evensong in Ely Cathedral (where the present writer is currently moon-lighting as Acting Director of the Cathedral Girls' Choir, covering for maternity leave, and therefore juggling a few too many plates!), and then at St George's Chapel, Windsor, where Choral Exhibitioner, Lizzie Heighway (SE 2005) grew up, as her father is a Lay Clerk there. We much enjoyed Evensong, of course, but it was the drinks party in the Horseshoe Cloister that was the really special part of that visit. Tripos came upon us, and the choir excelled themselves academically (as did the whole College, of course) with seven Firsts, including one for the Junior Organ Scholar, Clive So (SE 2007) who is reading Engineering.



Events post-May Week have been extraordinarily busy, beginning with singing for the university's Honorary Degree Day in the Senate House. John Sentamu, Archbishop of York (SE 1974), was being granted an honorary degree, and we were delighted to be asked to sing for the ceremony, along with the Choir of Gonville and Caius, and players from the Academy of Ancient Music. After Commemoration of Benefactors, the choir sang a John Armitage Memorial concert in Lydd, Kent, and then flew to Ireland for a week of (mostly) rain where we sang in both Anglican Cathedrals in Dublin, and in Cork. A particular highlight of this tour was singing two joint services with the choir of Christchurch Cathedral, Dublin, where Judy Martin (SE 1986) is Director of Music, and Ernie Dines (SE 2004) is a Lay Vicar Choral. We returned to Selwyn to make another recording, jointly sponsored by the John Armitage Memorial, and *Choir and Organ* magazine, which will feature music by a number of contemporary composers, and will be released as a cover CD for a 2009 issue of *Choir and Organ*, where it will reach a substantial international market.

Sad farewells were said to a worryingly large number of graduands, as well as to Bob Hardy, whom the choir adored. Thanks in particular must go to Claire, who is an exceptionally gifted young organist, and worked tirelessly over her three years, providing me with much-appreciated support. She goes on to be Organ Scholar of Peterborough Cathedral, and I have no doubt she will thrive there, although I will miss her terribly. We are thrilled to have Hugh Shilson-Thomas joining us as Dean of Chapel (indeed, his first introduction to the choir was to come on the Ireland tour...), and we are looking forward to another busy choral year.

## THE COLLEGE GARDENS

*Dr Jean Chothia, Chair of the Gardens Committee, writes:*

After successive summers of extreme weather, the return this year of what used to be the typical English summer, with frequent changes from cloudy to bright, rain to sunshine, has allowed the garden to show well. Whereas, last year, the heavy rains meant that some of the summer bedding did not perform and some was slow to start, this summer the gardens are colourful as well as lush. In Old Court, the New Zealand border by F staircase; the echium with its strikingly tall flower spikes, near B, and Alexis Vlasto's extraordinary purple lily by the Walters Room, bring an exotic touch. The barrels and hanging baskets have again been a delight and, with the abutilons just coming into flower as I write, look set to flourish through into Michaelmas Term while a group of standard fuchsias is lighting up the shady bed by the Chadwick Room.

The pond is again becoming one of the notable features of the garden, following last year's work to decrease its depth and securely reline it. A U-V light filter has been installed to reduce algae and the addition of pondweed and barley straw has improved



the clarity of the water. There was plenty of frog's spawn in the Spring and fish, somewhat unaccountably, have reappeared. As the surrounding planting settles, with reeds and yellow flags brightening and lilies breaking into flower, the area is becoming a delight. The stretch between the pond and the Fellows' Garden has also now been planted, with a Cornelian cherry (*Cornus mas*), a multi-stemmed birch (*Betula utilis jacquemontii*); and, by the arched entrance of the Fellows' Garden, an autumn flowering cherry (*Prunus subhirtella 'Autumnalis'*). These have been underplanted with (evergreen) Portugal and cherry laurel and (deciduous) viburnum opulus sterilis.

The silver maple near the pond lost a large branch during last year's storms and, although work was carried out immediately to make it safe, it is anticipated that the tree will have to come down before long. The beech tree near the terrace, at the rear of F staircase, has a 15° lean, and may well be on its way out and, although a picus test on another on West Bye Lane revealed that that tree is stable, both will be closely observed and retested in five years time. The limes along Sidgwick Avenue had a lot of dead wood in them, so a tree surgeon was called in to work on them, since this is a high-risk area, and dreys were removed to discourage squirrels. There have, however, been encouraging additions to the College's tree stock. The much-anticipated 125th anniversary tree went in in late summer and the Sequoia (*Sequoiadendron giganteum*), planted in the banks behind the pond as a memorial to Mr W D Harrap, is a fine specimen. The copper beech (*Fagus sylvatica purpurea*), donated by Mike Sewell, put in in late January at the Grange Road / Cranmer Road corner of Cripps' Court, is thriving and grass seed sown round it has germinated well. A second birch (*Betula utilis jacquemontii*), donated by John Trim in memory of his wife, has brightened the previously rather dim area between the North Range of Old Court and the Library.

Attention this year has turned to the Cripps' garden. Seven climbing hydrangea have been set against the Diamond wall, replacing roses that had become exhausted, and these will be underplanted in the autumn with lavender which will provide a colour contrast. Three clematis have been put in near N staircase, and the small border near H been planted up. Although the building of Phase 2 of Ann's Court meant the loss of that as an area of spring flowers, many of the bulbs were collected for relocating and a host of English bluebells have been planted at the back of Phase 1 (West Bye Lane). A wild meadow grass mix will be sown here on the completion of Phase 2.

More routine maintenance and repair work has, of course, continued. Mill gravel has been added to the path leading to the terrace in the Master's Garden and wood chippings to the woodland path. The problem with water-logging on the path to the Sidgwick Site has finally been resolved. Tarmac has smoothed the route for feet as well as wheelchairs. The trailing aubrietia, aconites and cyclamen in the bed by this path bring colour in spring and the salvia bed by the Divinity Faculty carries this through summer and into the autumn. The area near the Chapel where the water main was repaired has been resown and the spiking of Old Court lawn in the autumn to help with water-logging and encourage stronger growth; the application of fertilizer and moss killer and regular



mowing, has meant that despite suffering marquees and much trampling during the May Ball, the lawn still looked good for Degree Day and the Summer Garden Party. Since shortcuts across the various lawns (Cripps and Library Court particularly) have begun to leave permanent traces, signs will appear between October and March each year in areas where the most damage is done encouraging all members and visitors to keep to the paths.

Expressions of appreciation whether of the show of Spring bulbs; the exuberance of the Victorian border in late summer, or the variousness of the gardens, from neighbours and visitors, as well as from College members continue, as do requests for viewings from groups, including, this year, the University of the Third Age and Willingham Gardening Club. *Cam Magazine* has asked for another opportunity to visit. We owe the quality and growing reputation of the gardens to the devoted attention of the Head Gardener, Paul Gallant, and his conscientious and hard-working team. They are to be warmly congratulated for their work.

## SELWYN COLLEGE ASSOCIATION

*Dr Mike Young writes:*

We described in the last issue of the *Calendar* the extent to which the Selwyn Association and the College have come together over recent years, such that the Selwyn Association is now effectively synonymous with the Alumni. All graduate members of the College automatically become members of the Association; there is no subscription and no application to be made. One consequence of this very positive development has been that much that was formerly covered in the Annual Report of the Selwyn Association in the *Calendar* is now covered elsewhere and from this issue there will simply be a list of the current members of the Committee of the Association, with a short preamble to explain the role of the Committee.

The primary function of the Committee is now to act as a conduit between the Alumni and the College and to review and promote all aspects of College-Alumni relations. There is a close working relationship between the Committee and the Development and Alumni Relations Office, although the Committee is independent of the Office; very much on the 'friend-raising' end, rather than being directly involved with fund-raising. Clearly, the Committee is not the only line of communication, but comments, feedback or suggestions from members on any aspect of College-Alumni relations are very much welcomed. The Secretary can be reached by email at [jmy1@cam.ac.uk](mailto:jmy1@cam.ac.uk), by letter to the College or on 01223-811754 (preferably evenings).

## Officers 2007-2008

<i>President</i>	Prof V Nutton	1962
<i>President-Elect</i>	N Newton	1973
<i>Vice-Presidents</i>	Dr P L Rhodes (1988-89)	1938
<i>(With year of office as President)</i>	Prof W R Brock (1989-90)	1947
	Revd Prof W O Chadwick (1991-92)	1956
	Sir Edwin Nixon (1994-95)	1943
	Sir David Lumsden (1995-96)	1948
	J C D Rainbow (1996-97)	1948
	P A F Chalk (1998-99)	1950
	Revd Canon Dr J P M Sweet (1999-2000)	1958
	Rt Hon J S Gummer (2001-02)	1958
	Rt Revd R M Hardy (2002-03)	1965
	M R B Taylor (2003-04)	1945
	Dr C M P Johnson (2004-05)	1950
	A S Bell (2005-06)	1960
	Sir David Harrison (2006-07)	1950
<i>Hon Secretary</i>	Dr J M Young	1957
<i>Hon Assistant Secretary</i>	Dr D L Smith	1982
<i>Hon Treasurer</i>	N J A Downer	2002

### Committee

T A M Waller (1959) (*Chairman*)

The Past President	The President	The President Elect
The Master	The Alumni Officer	The Secretaries
The Treasurer		

### *Retiring in 2008*

Dr H G Annan (1966), C N Heppenstall (1984), C I Stalker (1992)

### *Retiring in 2009*

R Candy (1998), C J Wightwick (1981)

### *Retiring in 2010*

D Cockayne (2000), A Wade (1973), Dr K Wang (1956)

### *Retiring in 2011*

J Butler (2000), R J Price (1966)



# SELWYN COLLEGE PERMANENT HENLEY FUND

Chairman	Alastair Rimmer	(alastair.rimmer@uk.pwc.com)
Hon Treasurer	Brian Hornsby	(brian.j.hornsby@uk.pwc.com)
Hon Secretary	Ian Tillotson	(ian.tillotson@accenture.com)
Subscriptions Secretary	Fiona Morrison	(fiona.morrison@lcp-actuaries.co.uk)

*Mr Alastair Rimmer writes:*

The objectives of the Selwyn College Permanent Henley Fund are to provide financial support to the boat club to assist equipment purchase, professional coaching and training camps, and off-Cam rowing through regattas and Head races; to provide social events for past members of the boat club and keep subscribers informed of key events and achievements within the boat club; and to provide advisory support to the captains and committee and ensure continuity.

## **Financial and Advisory Support**

The fund has provided financial support to the boat club over the last year both through equipment purchase and also by funding coaching. In terms of equipment, over the last year we have purchased new blades for the women and a video camera to assist coaching. We are looking to fund a new men's VIII in the coming year so all donations gratefully received! It is still not too late to have the VIII named in your honour (or maybe that of a successful crew). If you are interested in contributing, please contact Brian Hornsby.

We want to enable the club's crews to achieve ever higher standards of performance both through providing guidance and continuity, as well as improving the standard of coaching. Renewed effort will be made to extend our coaching network available for all crews. The first evidence of this was given at Dorney Lake during the Easter vacation. Assistance will also be given on developing training plans and devising a list of annual events the crews will attend. One benefit will be to build on previously learned success, and ensure there is continuity.

In addition, we want to ensure the crews have committed and professional coaching to maximise the benefit from the time spent on the water. Once again, over the last year, we have provided funds to support professional coaching for the men's and women's crews funding over 100 coaching sessions for the club.

We have also provided funding for a week's training camp at Dorney Lake, as well as supporting both women's and men's crew at Henley. The women entered their VIII for Henley Women's Regatta, raced qualifiers successfully and were eventually beaten by the University of Bristol in the first round of intermediate VIII's; a commendable result. The men's IV was the third fastest non qualifier for the Prince Albert Cup at Henley Royal Regatta. All five are returning next year, so we look forward to reaping the benefits of this experience over the coming year.

### Dinner in 2009

Although plans are at an early stage, we plan to have a dinner in 2009. We will send out more details shortly – please make sure we have up to date contact details for you.

### Subscriptions

The fund still relies on a core group of approximately 100 subscribers. We desperately need more if we are to support the many demands placed on us. If you enjoyed your time rowing whilst up at Selwyn and would consider supporting the fund, or would merely like to update your details on our database, please contact the Subscriptions Secretary, Fiona Morrison at The Laurels, 54 Newberries Avenue, Radlett, Hertfordshire, WD7 7EP or any of the officers mentioned above. Alternatively you can download a subscription form directly from the alumni section of the SCBC website: [www-selwynrowing.org.uk](http://www-selwynrowing.org.uk)

## DINING RIGHTS

Members of the College who have taken their MA degree, or a postgraduate degree, at Selwyn are entitled to three High Table dinners, free of charge, in the course of each academical year.

Members are encouraged to take up these dining rights – especially at Formal Hall on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Further information can be obtained by calling the Catering and Conference Department at Selwyn on 01223-335855 or e-mailing [catering@sel.cam.ac.uk](mailto:catering@sel.cam.ac.uk)

## COMMEMORATION OF BENEFACTORS, FRIDAY 3 JULY 2009

The annual Commemoration of Benefactors will take place on Friday 3 July 2009. Invitations will be sent to those who matriculated up to, and including 1960, and those who did so in 1964, 1974, 1984 and 1994. Further details will be circulated in spring 2009.



## NON-ACADEMIC STAFF

### Staff Matters

*Mr Nick Downer, the Bursar, writes:*

I am pleased to report that Selwyn has seen only a few staff changes this year:

Night Porter, Mr Ted Greaves, left in March 2007 and we welcomed in June his replacement Mr Terry Burke, who previously worked as a Security Officer at the British Antarctic Survey.

Mr John Chalklin left Selwyn in October, and in January we welcomed Mr David Craddock, a former Police Constable in the Cambridge Constabulary.

In the Catering Department, Catering Secretary Miss Lise Field left the College in July, following a restructuring of the Conference & Catering Department. Her successor, Miss Kelly Wilson, joined the Department as the Conference & Events Administrator in September.

Development Assistant Ben Lewis left the Development & Alumni Relations Department in August to train as an accountant. His successor, Mrs Shona Winnard, took up her post in September.

Library Assistant, Mrs Hazel Sanderson, left the College in October, after 5 years' service at Selwyn. She has been replaced by Mrs Catherine (Katie) Turner.

College Archivist, Ms Elizabeth Stratton, is currently on Maternity Leave, following the birth of her son Thomas in March. Mr Mike Good, who is the Database Administrator in the College's Development & Alumni Relations Department, has temporarily stepped into Elizabeth's shoes on a part-time basis, during her Maternity Leave.

### Retirement

Mrs Susan Feast, who has served as a Domestic Assistant at Selwyn for the past 11 years, decided to take early retirement in April.

### 125th Anniversary Celebrations

Selwyn staff celebrated the College's 125 years on 24 October when two members of staff (Miss Kelly Wilson, and Miss Sally Bird) planted a commemorative tree in the College Garden. The ceremony was followed by an archive exhibition, and a talk about the College by Mr Mike Good. Mike has recently researched and written 'Selwyn Celebrated' a book celebrating the College's 125 years.





A photograph of the College staff was taken beside the Hall steps on 12 May 2008.

A third event, a Garden Party, is planned for June 2008 and will include the release of 125 balloons and the burial of a time capsule; it is intended that the time capsule will be stored beneath the Chapel, to be opened by College staff in 125 years, in the year 2133.

It is perhaps inevitable in these challenging times that we ask ever more of our staff. They have consistently risen to the occasion. I am grateful for their support.

### **Heads of Departments, Deputy Heads and Senior Staff**

#### **Catering**

Conference & Catering Manager	Mr Bill Simmonett
Assistant Conference & Catering Manager	Mrs Tonya Gusman
Executive Head Chef	Mr Matthew Rowe
Butler	Mr Antonio Aurelio
Assistant Butler	Mr Darren Runham
Bar Manager	Mr Scott Grocott

#### **College Office**

Finance Manager	Mrs Sally Clayson
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**Bursary**

Bursar's Assistant  
HR & Health & Safety Officer

Ms Sheila Scarlett  
Miss Sue Barnes

**Development & Alumni Relations Office**

Development Director

Mrs Heather Kilpatrick

**Domestic Department**

Domestic Manager  
Assistant Domestic Manager

Mrs Sue Jeffries  
Mrs Gill Cooper

**Gardens**

Head Gardener

Mr Paul Gallant

**IT**

IT Manager  
Deputy IT Manager

Mr Brian Holley  
Mr Howard Beaumont

**Library**

Librarian  
Assistant Librarian  
Archivist

Mrs Sarah Stamford  
Mr Michael Wilson  
Ms Elizabeth Stratton

**Maintenance**

Maintenance Manager  
Deputy Maintenance Manager

Mr Doug Benzie  
Mr Paul Watson

**Master's Assistant**

Ms Sheila Scarlett

**Nurse**

Ms Diana Lloyd

**Porters' Lodge**

Head Porter  
Deputy Head Porter

Mr Alan Ward  
Mr Paul Cooper

**Sportsground**

Assistant Groundsman

Mr Mark Reeder

**Tutorial Office**

Senior Tutor's Assistant  
Tutorial Secretary  
Graduate Admissions  
Admissions Secretary

Miss Gina Vivian-Neal  
Mrs Margaret Hay  
Mrs Samantha Carr  
Mrs Stephanie Pym







WALTERS  
ROOM

# Part three

# COLLEGE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

## OFFICERS OF THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

CLUB	CAPTAIN	SECRETARY
ATHLETICS	A P Owen	A P Bates
CRICKET	D W J Quarshie	
CROSS-COUNTRY	A G Bell	J F Mackey
BOAT (MEN)	J K Russell	
BOAT (WOMEN)	C E Jackson	
FOOTBALL	A K Malin	
HERMES	A P Owen	M J Stark
HOCKEY (MEN)	D W J Quarshie	
HOCKEY (WOMEN)	L C Gardiner	
NETBALL	F S Campbell	
POOL	M A J Baxter	
RUGBY	R D Pritchard	A C D Glass
SWIMMING	E Inkester	
WATERPOLO	A D Edge	

SOCIETY	PRESIDENT	
ECONOMICS (MADDISON)	D E Ward	
ENGLISH	H P B Laing	
HISTORY	D C Churchill	
MEDICAL AND VETERINARY	M J Long/J Riggs	J K Scott
MIGHTY PLAYERS	R J L Marlow	L J Handcock
MUSIC	V E H Griggs	
NATURAL SCIENCES	B J P Jones	
SELWYN RAG	E J Blakeley	
SOCIAL SCIENCES	E A Given	R Hawketts

The Editors congratulate the following on their sporting achievements during 2007-8:

### Blues:

Football	M A J Baxter, L J Haydock (women's)
Hockey	F R Evans, J E Hall
Swimming	B C C Yeoh
Tennis	J F Western

### Half-Blues:

Athletics	A P Bates, J Melluish, A P Owen, H Owles
Cricket	L C Gardiner, C J Hornsby
Lacrosse	M Wang
Rugby League	A C D Glass, C J Schroeder
Swimming	C Davis, E Gorton

### Played against Oxford:

Athletics	T R P Chadwick, G J E Dickens, R C Malekout, R Mathie
Cross-Country	J F Mackey (women's), A G Bell (women's), A J Clifton (men's)
Football	M J Stark, G A V C Sacks, R G Browne
Hockey	D W J Quarshie
Rugby	C J Schroeder (Colleges XV), T Roberts (under 21s)
Swimming	E Inkester

The following reports have been received from the various College clubs and societies:

## CLUBS

### ATHLETICS

*Andrew Owen writes:*

The main college athletics competition is athletics cuppers, a two-day-long event held in Michaelmas Term. The event itself is older than the modern Olympics and draws together all 32 colleges to compete head to head. The Selwyn team this year showed exceptional dominance in this cuppers competition. Huge, sporty colleges such as Trinity, Jesus and John's were crushed in our wake as first place and the cuppers trophy this year was secured by the Selwyn team.

The team boasted both strength and depth this year with five athletes returning fresh from the Varsity Match in May. In addition to Selwyn's pool of University athletes there were numerous College athletes in all other events. First places in a number of track events including the 4x100m helped the team to victory throughout the weekend.

From Champaign performances on the track to Champaign in the Master's Lodge as the Master and Fellows hosted the team in a celebratory drinks reception following the competition. Later that evening an announcement and toast were held in Formal Hall to the team's success and to the future of Selwyn sport.

A century old, huge silver trophy now sits magnificently in the Porters' Lodge as a reminder of how great Selwyn College really is. Engraved in it are the names of no less than four Olympic gold medallists and of course the Selwyn Team from 2007/08.

Team: A P Bates, M A J Baxter, T R P Chadwick, A J Clifton, D J Day, G J E Dickens, A M Grant, R C Malekout, R Mathie, W H Openshaw, A P Owen, G A V C Sacks, C J Schroeder, O D Telfer, D W J Quarshie.

### **BOAT CLUB (MEN)**

*Jason Russell writes:*

In Lent Term we entered three men's crews into Lent Bumps. M1 went down two, M2 down one and M3 up two. This was relatively disappointing for M1 considering the experience within the crew, which never reached the levels we had hoped in early term. Following the Bumps we entered M1 and M2 into the head of the river race. M1 achieved a reasonable result finishing in a position very similar to where they started, while M2 did very well, finishing significantly higher than they started despite a collision with another boat.

In the May Bumps we again entered three crews. M1 stayed level, M2 went up one and M3 achieved blades going up four. May term was very pleasing with good showings in the novice dominated M2 and some really nice rows in M1, the main disappointment being not quite managing to re-enter the first division despite rowing as sandwich boat for two consecutive days.

At the time of writing, we look forward to Henley Royal Regatta, with qualifying at the end of June, where we are entering a IV.

#### **May M1**

Cox: E C Hargreaves

Stroke: J Callaghan

7: J Granger-Bevan

6: A J Clifton

5: H Powell

4: C Cottingham

3: C J Watterson

2: J K Russell

Bow: R G Frampton



## May M2

Cox: H Kennedy

7: T E Durno

6: T R Burkinshaw

5: J P Jenkins

4: T R Gibb

3: J G Pugh Ginn

2: P G Jones

Bow: J M McLeod

## BOAT CLUB (WOMEN)

*Kitty Jackson writes:*

This year has been one of ups and downs for the Women's Boat Club but we have had some exceptional results over the three terms. In Michaelmas the ladies' seniors raced in a First IV and a Second VIII.

The First IV had an extremely successful term and, despite a variety of injuries in the boat resulting in different crews for each race, they succeeded in pulling out a series of outstanding race results. The first race of term was Autumn Head where they came second out of three Cambridge College ladies' IVs competing, beating Clare by a resounding 50 seconds over the 2.8k course. The second was Winter Head which saw another strong performance with the crew coming second in their division and third out of all the college IVs competing.

The final and most important race was, as always, Fairbairns. The Second VIII pulled together and achieved a respectable result, coming 26th in the Senior Women's VIIIs beating some strong crews along the way. For the First IV there was a particularly strong field of crews to beat. They had a fantastic row which saw them come 5th on the river, only being beaten by the likes of Emmanuel and First and Third.

There were also two ladies' novice crews in Michaelmas Term. These performed strongly throughout, competing in a variety of competitions including Queens' Ergs and Clare Novice Regatta. The final test of their ability was Novice Fairbairns which saw the First Novices come 10th and the Second Novices placed as the fastest Second VIII for the second year running, an impressive achievement.

In Lent Term we had three ladies' VIIIs. The First and Second VIIIs rowed together for the first 3 weeks of term before crews were finalised. This was aimed to give depth to the squad and ensure that the novices were given a chance to show how they responded to senior rowing and coaching before being selected.

The First and Second VIII's travelled to Bedford Eights and Fours Head. The First VIII's results were very promising, coming 5th out of the Cambridge Colleges competing. The Second VIII also rowed well coming within seconds of Trinity Hall's First VIII.

In Lent Bumps the Third VIII pulled out a fantastic race in very difficult conditions for the getting on race and were placed second from bottom in the Bumps charts. This is the first time that anyone can remember a Selwyn Ladies' Third VIII rowing Bumps and we are all extremely proud of them. Unfortunately, they were bumped on the first day by Jesus III and rowed over the next three days behind them at the foot of the river.

The Second VIII had a fantastic set of Bumps going up three by bumping New Hall II, Queens' II and Girton II. They rowed over on the second day purely because Queens' II and Girton II bumped out ahead of them; they could not quite gain on Girton II quickly enough.

The First VIII had a disappointing set of Bumps. They always knew that they were surrounded by crews who had trained particularly hard and that it was going to be a difficult campaign. They finished Bumps down three, bumped by St Catharine's, King's and Jesus II. It was a disappointing Bumps, not least because the rowing potential of the crew wasn't realised until the last day.

The Easter holidays saw the club travel to Dorney Lake for a 5 day training camp. This was a great opportunity to get extra coaching and water time for both the Men's and Women's sides of the club. A physically challenging but enjoyable week was had by all and it gave us a firm platform to work from during Mays.

May term saw the First and Second VIII's embark on demanding training plans: both crews were determined to have a successful Bumps. This paid off in spectacular form for the Second Ladies who won their blades. They overbumped New Hall II on the first day, placing them firmly in the Women's Third Division. They then continued to bump on the second and third days as they caught LMBC III and CCAT II. A row over on the fourth day saw them finish up a fantastic 5 places overall.

The First VIII had their most successful May Bumps in several years. They rowed well on all four days. A strong day 1 saw them bump CCAT in under 3 minutes. Day 2 brought a strong row over. On days 3 and 4 they were bumped by Darwin and Pembroke II respectively, despite displaying their finest rowing. The First VIII did what they set out to do. They had four good races and all credit goes to the crews around them that were faster than they were. Despite going down one place overall they ended the May Bumps pleased with their performance.

The year ended with a pleasing performance at Henley Women's Regatta. The First VIII qualified to race in the Regatta proper, which saw the initial field of boats cut from 42 to 32. Unfortunately, they were knocked out in the first round by the University of Bristol. Nonetheless, this is a very pleasing result as merely to qualify was a fantastic achievement.

The Women's side of the Boat Club would like to thank everyone that has helped them out. There have been many fantastic coaches and dedicated subs who have made their mark on the club this year.

Both the Men's and Women's sides would like to express their gratitude to the Selwyn College Permanent Henley Fund for their continued support, without which much of our racing wouldn't be possible. In addition, Selwyn College deserve our thanks for the substantial contribution to the maintenance of the boat house. We would also like to thank Oliver Wyman, our sponsors, for their invaluable contribution to the club.

### **First Lent VIII**

Cox: J F Lambert

Stroke: H P B Laing

7: C E Purcell

6: J Thomson

5: C E Jackson (Captain)

4: C V R Wilson

3: S Talbot

2: C J Bates

Bow: E A Prayle

### **First May VIII**

Cox: P S Holmes

Stroke: E Heighway

7: C E Innes-Hopkins

6: J Thomson

5: C E Jackson (Captain)

4: S Gallagher

3: S Talbot

2: C J Bates

Bow: H J Griffiths

## **CRICKET**

*Dan Quarshie writes:*

The cricket team got off to a winning start against Fitzwilliam College inspired by an impressive knock from James Fletcher (67) and five wickets shared between the spinners Patel and Quarshie. Unfortunately, this would be the only victory of the season. Frequently undone by a lack of runs from the middle order despite resistance from the likes of Gothard, Carr and Moloney, narrow defeats were characterised by admirable fielding performances, with seam bowlers Bell, Gothard and Homer consistently on song. The highlight of the season was undoubtedly the Cuppers tie against St Catharine's College. Having restricted a strong side to 145 runs from their 20 overs, our aggressive openers Fletcher (43) and Gothard (38) dismantled the St Catharine's

opening bowling attack, seemingly securing progression to the quarterfinals. However a middle-order collapse allowed St Catharine's back into the game and in the end we fell agonisingly short of the target, reaching 138-6 at the end of the innings. Despite our slightly disappointing results card, which would read six games played, one win and five defeats, this season has been an enjoyable one, in which a squad of wholly enthusiastic and committed players has been a joy to captain. The number of first-year students and cricketing novices contributing to the team has been particularly refreshing. Finally, congratulations are due to Laura Gardiner and Charlotte Hornsby who were awarded Half Blues this season for representing the Women's Blues in the Varsity match. Laura captained the team to a magnificent light-blue victory while Charlotte played a large part in setting up the win as she carried her bat to finish on a majestic 119 not out after 50 overs.

First and second teams from: D W J Quarshie (Captain), M J Ansbro, G C Barndollar, M A J Baxter, A D Beale, J O A Bell, D C Bradley, R G Browne, A T J Byfield, C D Carr, D J Chambers, G D F Eccles, J J G Fletcher, L C Gardiner, C Gothard, S J Gregson, B W Homer, C J Hornsby, C Moloney, W H Openshaw, S R Patel, M J Stark, C A Whitehead.

## CROSS-COUNTRY

*Alexandra Bell and Jane Mackey write:*

Despite our efforts being disrupted by various injuries throughout the season, Selwyn achieved a respectable 6th place in the women's division and 9th in the men's 2nd division.

Our cross country season started with the Freshers' Fun Run. Richard Mathie, Adam Clifton, Alex Bell and Jane Mackey continued their commitment to the club, whilst Sebastian Palmer and Zhelong Duan represented the incoming first years. Strong individual performances in subsequent College league races indicated a consistency in training and Michaelmas Term ended on a high with a 2nd place for the women's team and 6th place for the men's team in the Cupper's race. As a result of individual successes during this race, Harriet Owles went on to be selected for the Blues' team, Richard Mathie, Jane Mackey and Alex Bell were selected to run for the seconds and Adam Clifton for the fourths in the Varsity match.

The season continued into Lent Term with the somewhat muddy 'Fen Ditton Dash,' the 'Coe Fen Relays' and 'Selwyn Relays.' Highlights included Richard Mathie's 9th place and Jane Mackey's 5th place over what turned out to be very demanding terrain in the 'Fen Ditton Dash.'

Hopefully in this coming season, Selwyn's cross country team will build on last year's successes and, through continued involvement in the 'Cambridge University Hare and Hounds' and the recruitment of enthusiastic first years, will see a progression up the league.

## FOOTBALL

*Alex Malin, Captain of the First Team, writes:*

2007/08 was an excellent season for the football team, culminating in the College's second ever promotion to the University First Division. We began the season with high hopes after an unbeaten league run throughout 2007, to which the team could add the power of returning stalwarts and new talent. After a convincing win over Homerton we dropped points with 1-1 draws with King's and Long Road, leaving our title challenge looking decidedly shaky. But several weeks' training and an impressive comeback against King's after trailing 2-0 within ten minutes heralded a collective upsurge in form and confidence. The team ended Michaelmas in outrageous goalscoring form with consecutive destructions of Pembroke (9-1) and Trinity Hall (6-0), during which our strike partnership of Stuart Mason and Gabriel Sacks netted nine goals in two powerful team performances. Michael Stark also scored with a memorable run and chip in the game against Trinity Hall which would end up taking the goal of the season award.

Lent began belatedly with a Cup loss to Trinity (who would go on to claim the First Division title at the end of the season), and the team stuttered to a 3-1 victory against a poor Sidney side in the sun. Next came two consecutive fixtures which would define the outcome of the season, against title challengers Downing and Girton. The first game was a fiercely contested battle in the wind and rain of Fulbrooke. Daniel Day's last yet vital contribution to the season was marked soon after half time as his ankle was twisted by flying studs while drilling the ball across the box for the Captain to slot home for the breakthrough goal. Downing rallied and went 2-1 up with a dubious goal with only injury time to play. But we displayed astounding resilience as the hour of the long throw had come; a looping, swirling ball from Sam Gregson was flicked on by dangerous colossus Chris Gothard and Andy Porter nodded in through the mêlée. So we went into the crunch game against Cup finalists Girton needing to win after fighting out a 2-2 draw with Downing and, with the loss of central midfield dynamos Michael Stark and Sam Gregson, the heart of the team was replaced with the composed finesse of Blues maestro Mark Baxter and languid number 17 Alex Malin. The small pitch was made for our new weapon – the long throw – whose potential beauty found expression in Gothard's back post header from Malin's bullet from the sideline. An exquisite lob from top scorer Sacks sealed a dominant 3-0 win and all but sealed promotion, which was confirmed a week later with a simple 4-0 victory against relegated Churchill II. Selwyn football team reached the First Division for the first time since relegation in 1989/90, and the final league table made for satisfying reading as we finished as the only team unbeaten in the top two divisions, the highest scorers in the division and with the fewest goals conceded. The defensive core of Liam Kirkwood in goal, with Richard Browne and Joe Hyam in central defence were exceptional and developed into a very solid unit over the course of the season and a figure of seven goals conceded in nine games speaks volumes about how difficult teams found it to score against them. Right-back Chris Gothard ended the season with six goals and deservedly won Player of the Season for his tenacious defending and the immense threat he posed in the opposition box. Michael Stark's training regime from last year was continued this season and paid dividends as we

ensured that the football team has not, at the time of writing, suffered a league loss since November 2006 – a fantastic record. He and Sam Gregson provided steel and drive in the midfield and weighed in with four and two goals respectively. Mark Baxter offered technical brilliance and his eye for a pass helped the team's collective ethic immensely. Giant mercurial striker Stuart Mason combined excellently with silky Brazilian Gabriel Sacks up front, and the pair scored fifteen goals between them in all competitions. Skipper Alex Malin filled in variously in midfield and attack and brought a measure of creativity to both areas, and wingers Andy Porter, Dmitri Levitin and Kenta Tsuda, and full-back Dave Bradley all put in a series of sterling performances. What was particularly pleasing was the consistency of the team as we adapted our aggression and tempo according to the task in hand, almost always with resounding success. An excellent season was capped by promotion to the First Division with statistically the best attack and defence in the league, and my thanks and congratulations go to all involved. Furthermore, in May Week Selwyn's 5-a-side team won the University's annual tournament hosted by St John's.

First Team from: A K Malin (Captain), R G Browne (Vice-Captain), M J Stark, G A V C Sacks, M A J Baxter, C Gothard, S J W Mason, J T Hyam, S J Gregson, D C Bradley, L Kirkwood, K Tsuda, D Levitin, A Porter, D J Day, M J Ansbro.

*Andy Edge, Captain of the Second Team, writes:*

The season started with two disappointing defeats at the hands of Girton II and Homerton III. However, by the third League match of the season, the team was beginning to gel and look settled as a unit, with the midfield in particular adapting to the new diamond formation. After a narrow defeat to Jesus III, the team went on to win all their remaining fixtures. In a tight battle at the top of the table, Selwyn II grabbed the last promotion spot and will start the 2008/09 season in Division Five. A particular highlight in the League was the 7-1 win over promotion rivals Robinson II on the final weekend of the Michaelmas Term.

Selwyn II's Cup run started with a tie against Pembroke II, from the division above. A stunning performance from Selwyn II resulted in a 10-1 victory. G Elder weighed in with an incredible five goals. The Cup run was to end in a hard-fought encounter with Downing II, a team two divisions above Selwyn II.

Second Team from: A D Edge, E K H J Zu Ermgassen, J E Cook, R C Malekout, J O A Bell, E Sarkans, S W Jackson, A Nixon, G J Elder, V Murevics, D C Bradley, M J Ansbro, D Shatokhin, G D F Eccles, P M McGarry, A Porter, K Tsuda, A P Owen.

## HERMES

*Andrew Owen and Michael Stark write:*

The year has been an immensely successful one for the Selwyn College Hermes Club. At the beginning of Michaelmas Term, the Hermes Sports Fund was able once again to provide financial support for the sportsmen and women of Selwyn who had excelled in their chosen field. The Fund has been running successfully now for nearly a decade and, thanks to this year's fundraising efforts, is in better shape than ever. The Club has managed to increase its income nearly three-fold over the past nine months, and is confident of being able to fulfil its constitutional obligations to an ever greater degree next year. In addition, this year has seen an infusion of energy into the club. Attendance at club meetings has risen considerably, whilst the deviations from the sartorial requirements on Monday evenings have declined sharply thanks to particularly zealous fining. The club has taken a massive step in the right direction, and it is hoped that the next year's committee will continue to lead the club towards bigger and better things. With its tradition and heritage, the Hermes Club has the potential to make a real and considerable difference to sport in College. Thanks to the kind donations by alumni to the sports fund, the growing commitment of the Junior Members and the desire to work closely with college, the Club has re-laid the seeds that will hopefully flourish in future to provide greater financial support for both individuals and College teams.

Individual members of the society once again represented both the University and the College with distinction. The long list of members who possess Blues, Half Blues and University Colours in such a diverse range of sports is a powerful illustration of the strength and dedication to sport within this society. Aside from University awards, Hermes members also comprise the core of the College sporting community, either by playing a number of first-class sports or by captaining one. Junior Members of the Hermes Club comprised the bulk of the Cuppers Athletics team, which won the whole competition and enjoyed a toast from the Master in Formal Hall. The Football team, having narrowly missed out on promotion last year on goal difference, finally managed the feat this year and will be competing in the top division of the CUAFL next year. The Hermes VIII even rowed their way to blades in this year's May Bumps competition, for which they would like to thank the Selwyn Boat Club for its support.

As a final word, the committee would like to thank the Reverend Ian Thompson in particular for his continuing participation and support in the Club. Despite moving on to pastures new at King's three years ago, he has continued to be an invaluable source of knowledge and advice throughout the year, and has provided the kind of stability and continuity University societies so often require.

We hope his enthusiasm and involvement continues for many more years to come and look forward to welcoming back alumni for the 90th anniversary dinner in 2010.

Members: C Davis, D W J Quarshie, T C Kemp, M A J Baxter, A C D Glass, J F Western, M J Stark, P M McGarry, R D Pritchard, W H Openshaw, A P Bates, G A V C Sacks, T R P Chadwick, B C C Yeoh, A Salem, M J Long, S Patel, C J Schroeder, C A Whitehead, D Levitin, A K Malin, A P Owen, J H Rose, M Wang, I M Thompson.

### **HOCKEY (MEN)**

*Dan Quarshie writes:*

The Men's hockey team has acquitted itself very well this season; despite the inconvenient scheduling of many of our fixtures, we have made good use of our large pool of players to retain our Division Three status for next year. The second-place finish in the Lent league was particularly impressive. Highlights of the season include comfortable league wins over Christ's and Jesus 2nd XI. In our Cuppers campaign we were knocked out in the second round by a Girton team boasting two Blues players (who hold six Blues between them!). To lose 1-3 against such a side is far from disgraceful, and had we converted more of our chances, the game could have been closer. Our campaign this year has been driven by a core of young and old; experienced campaigners Bates and Fletcher were solid in defence while the youthful energy of ever-present freshers Bell and Tomlin provided strength and skill in the midfield. My thanks go to a committed group of individuals that has made for a pleasurable season. I hope that the success of this year can be built upon in the coming season.

First and second teams from: D W J Quarshie (Captain), A P Bates, J O A Bell, J Binning, D C Bradley, R G Browne, C D Carr, K E Cooper, A D Edge, J S Esam, F R Evans, J J G Fletcher, L C Gardiner, A C D Glass, H J Griffiths, B W Homer, A D F Jackson, T C Kemp, K Kiatlertpongsa, M J Long, A K Malin, P M McGarry, C Moloney, D J Moroney, W H Openshaw, A P Owen, G W Roberts, S F Tomlin, C A Whitehead.

### **HOCKEY (WOMEN)**

*Laura Gardiner writes:*

The 2007/08 began with promise. With the majority of last year's squad remaining at Selwyn, and the introduction of strong freshers C J Bates, J E Hall and S F Tomlin, we approached our first matches with confidence. This proved to be justified as we beat the always-strong Jesus 6-3 in the first round of cuppers, and trounced Trinity 6-1 in our first league match.

Unfortunately the team was unable to maintain this form throughout the season. Missing University players F R Evans and J E Hall, we fell in the second round of cuppers to a strong Homerton side. In the league the results also went against us, often due to the lack of a full team, however a couple of walkovers and a nail-biting draw against Trinity Hall mean that we finished mid-table in division 2. This season has seen excellent



goal-scoring performances from J E Bretherton and N Patel, dominating midfield play from S F Tomlin, and solid defence from K E Cooper and our newly-appointed goalkeeper H Y Gastall. We produced some fantastic team performances, and we hope that next season we can do so more consistently, and challenge for the top spot in our division.

Huge thanks go to A P Bates and D W J Quarshie, who have umpired for us throughout the season and offered invaluable support and advice. I pass on the captaincy to S F Tomlin, who I'm sure will do a fantastic job and I look forward to playing under next year.

First Team: L C Addy, C J Bates, J E Bretherton, F S Campbell, K E Cooper, L E B Cremer, F R Evans, L C Gardiner, H Y Gastall, H J Griffiths, S I Gueorguieva, J E Hall, L J Haydock, C J Hornsby, S F Lumley, J F Mackey, N Patel, A L Perkins, S Talbot, S F Tomlin, C H C Yek.

## NETBALL (WOMEN'S AND MIXED TEAMS)

*Fiona Campbell writes:*

The 2007/08 season has been a successful one for Selwyn Netball. The Ladies' team was fortunate enough to keep all players from the previous season, as well as gaining three talented new freshers. Right from the start, our dedicated team was able to use its skill to gain comfortable victories, winning seven out of our eight matches in Michaelmas Term. This successful trend continued into Lent Term and after winning all of our matches we finished second in the division and therefore have moved up a division for next year. The Mixed Team was no less successful, aided by the addition of five new freshers and an experienced New Zealand postgraduate student. Again, we were able to gain strong victories, such as the 19-3 win against Magdalene, which led us to second place in our division and a move up to the second league division next year.

A particularly exciting episode for the Ladies' Team was our trip to Dublin in the Easter break to compete in the Doxbridge Tournament, against teams from Oxford and Durham Universities. This was the first time that Selwyn had been represented at the tournament and although we did not manage to bring home a trophy, a brilliant time was had by all. I would definitely encourage other Selwyn teams to take part in Doxbridge in the future.

Finally, I would like to give special thanks to those girls who took the time to umpire for us, especially when we were short of girls for cuppers. I would like to pass on the best of luck to next year's Captain, Charlotte Hornsby, who I am sure will do an excellent job.

Women's team: F S Campbell, C J Hornsby, L C Addy, S A V Miller, C M Maher, L E B Cremer, S F Tomlin, B L Clarkson, L C Gardiner, E R A Lunn, S I Gueorguieva, P J Browne, T E Walker.

Mixed team: F S Campbell, C J Hornsby, S F Tomlin, A C D Glass, W H Openshaw, P J Browne, M J Stark, S A V Miller, L E B Cremer, L C Addy, T C Kemp, D Levitin, P M McGarry, B W Homer, M A French, B L Clarkson, S I Gueorguieva, T J Alldred, W P G Davison.

## POOL

*M A J Baxter writes:*

Selwyn Pool Club had a season of mixed fortunes. Although the first team were narrowly relegated from the first division, they were able to reach the semi-finals of Cuppers beating St John's College and Fitzwilliam College along the way. However, they fell at this stage to a strong King's College team. The second team, led by J E Sweet, enjoyed their best season to date, finishing 4th in their league, one place below promotion. They also managed to reach the semi-final of the plate competition only to lose in the final frame 5-4 to Queens' II. As a club we also investigated the idea of entering a women's team into the university college leagues and this will be something to look forward to in the future.

First team: M A J Baxter, C D Carr, D C Bradley, D Levitin, L Kirkwood, J K Russell, B W Homer, D R L Dufton.

Second team: J E Sweet, E Sarkans, D C Churchill, S Flexer, T G Punton, R A Mills, N Birkoff, J Granger-Bevan, Z Duan, G J Elder.

## RUGBY

*R D Pritchard writes:*

2007/08 was a season of very mixed fortunes for Selwyn/Peterhouse Rugby Club. On the positive side, the team gained an unprecedented eight first years, all of whom played a very key role in the season. Ultimately, however on the final day of the season, there was the disappointment of relegation from a very tough second division which included the 2006/07 Cuppers losing finalists, the 2006/07 Cuppers Plate Champions and the 2007/08 Cuppers Finalists. The disappointment of relegation from a very tough second division was somewhat alleviated by a run to the Cuppers Plate semi-finals, including a valiant effort in a first round Cuppers loss to a Hughes Hall side fielding seven Blues, against whom the Selwyn/Peterhouse team managed to score thirty points. Selwyn/Peterhouse were only beaten at the semi-final stage by a Downing College side that finished third in the first division. There was notable success for numerous individuals throughout the season. In Rugby Union, C J Schroeder represented the Cambridge Colleges XV against Oxford. T Roberts represented the Cambridge under 21s against Oxford at Twickenham and R D Pritchard and O D Telfer represented other Cambridge University sides throughout the season. A C D Glass and C J Schroeder gained Half-Blues representing the Rugby League side.

First and second teams from: T J Alldred, W G Arnold, G C Barndollar, J-S Borlace, S Browning, G D F Eccles, J S Esam, A C D Glass, D M Gorton, B W Home, T Kemp, M J Long, P M McGarry, S A Mikkelsen, W H Openshaw, R D Pritchard, C J Schroeder, O D Telfer, T Roberts, A Walker, C A Whitehead.

## SWIMMING

*Emma Inkester writes:*

The Selwyn swimming team turned in an excellent performance in Cuppers and showed great commitment throughout. We were finalists in the Cuppers Women's medley and freestyle relays (and winners of the B freestyle Final). Emma Inkester competed in the B Final of the 100m individual medley and the 50m butterfly A final. We were also finalists in the Men's medley and freestyle relays, and Erasmus Zu Ermgassen was a finalist in the 100m breaststroke. We are hoping to build on these brilliant successes next season.

First and second Teams from: F S Campbell, T W Shortland, J S Esam, A C D Glass, T C Kemp, E Gorton, E Inkester, L R Denby, C Davis, B C C Yeoh, E K H J Zu Ermgassen, H L B Owles, L C Gardiner.

## WATERPOLO

*Andy Edge writes:*

Although the season started brightly with a victory against Emmanuel College, a combination of lack of enthusiasm from potential new recruits to the team and fixtures coinciding with other events meant that it would be Selwyn's only victory of the season.

A much improved performance in Cuppers saw Selwyn miss out on guaranteed qualification for the quarter-finals by a single goal against Magdalene, before putting in a brave, battling performance against the Cambridge University Women's team. A late Selwyn equaliser was controversially disallowed due to time being up, despite the referee having not yet signalled the end of the match, thus ending Selwyn's chances.

First and second Teams from: A D Edge, E K H J Zu Ermgassen, L Tan (Downing College), E Gorton, B C C Yeoh, R C Malekout, T W Shortland, C Davis, K C Cooper, M P Warlow, G A V C Sacks.

# SOCIETIES

## MADDISON SOCIETY (ECONOMICS)

*Danielle Ward writes:*

During 2007/08 the Maddison Society has welcomed a variety of guests and speakers to College and has hosted numerous social events for Selwyn economists. Visitors have included MPs, city-employees (all Economics graduates of the University), as well as a number of prospective Selwyn applicants. We look forward to building on the successes of this year with further speaker visits and careers seminars planned for next term.

## ENGLISH SOCIETY

*Hannah Laing writes:*

This year we revived the Selwyn English Society and promptly celebrated the occasion by instigating an annual Michaelmas Dinner.

The Dinner was a great success, providing a welcome opportunity for Fellows and students to socialise. Our thanks go to Dr Michael Hurley for toasting the new English Society in characteristic style.

We hope that next year the English Society will develop further, and look forward to more theatre trips, speakers and dinners.

## HISTORY SOCIETY

*David Churchill writes:*

It has been a good year for the History Society. Dinners were held in Michaelmas and Lent Terms, and the Society was once again delighted to welcome Professor Brock to speak on the latter occasion. His comments on recent trends on historical writing were so well received that some listeners even felt compelled to scribble his closing remarks on the backs of their napkins!

The society also fulfilled its more purely academic duties, hosting a historical panel discussion, also in Lent, on the subject of 'Identity in History'. We were lucky enough to welcome four of the Faculty's most distinguished members to speak that evening: Prof. John Morrill, Prof. Michael O'Brien, Prof. Robert Tombs, and Dr Joya Chatterji. A great range of subjects were covered, primarily national, religious and ethnic identities,

and how they have impacted upon the histories on Britain, Europe, the United States and South Asia. The evening's illuminating discussion was enjoyed by a good number of students from across the University.

The Society remains an active part of associational life at Selwyn, and I personally look forward to another full programme next year.

## MEDICAL AND VETERINARY SOCIETY

*Matthew Long writes:*

Over the Long Vacation a number of members of the Society, with the help of University and College grants, undertook volunteer work. Julia Riggs and Michael Rothwell helped orang-utans in Borneo, whilst Matthew Long and Chloe Purcell did volunteer medical work in Kenya and India respectively. Other notable activities include Alex Bates again volunteering as a helper at Camp Turk, and Peter Ellery working in a University lab as a research assistant.

This year the Society welcomed seven new Medical students and four new Veterinary students. This year also saw the celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of the Society by Mr R H Whitaker and Dr L Baker, which was celebrated by a dinner in Hall with over a hundred alumni returning for the event. There were speeches from Mr R H Whitaker and Dr D J Chivers, and displays of work from current pre-clinical and clinical students.

The Lent Term dinner this year welcomed Mr M Herrtage, Dean of the Vet School, as its guest speaker.

Easter Term saw the first pre-dinner talk arranged by the Society. Alumnus Dr S Thornton (1976) gave a talk on human reproductive medicine. The Society hopes to continue to arrange these events and expand its activities in future years.

## MIGHTY PLAYERS

*Richard Marlow writes:*

This year has seen the election of a new committee and the staging of five plays, all of which have received excellent support from the students and fellows of Selwyn. In Michaelmas and Lent we branched out into new venues, taking *The Grimm Tales* to the Corpus Playrooms and Edward Albee's *The Zoo Story* to the ADC Theatre (gaining a 5 star review in *The Cambridge Student*). Eager to get new faces involved with Selwyn drama, we selected the tragi-comic *Two* as our Freshers' Production, where the Chadwick Room became a Northern Pub harbouring a terrible secret. *Alice: A Fresher's Tale* allowed

The Mighty Players to experiment with original writing and musical theatre. Loosely based on *Alice in Wonderland* it was about a baffled first-year finding a home for herself at Selwyn as she tried to decipher the riddles of Gus the cat and escape the fiendish plots of a tyrannical Master – the Bishop himself even made an appearance. *Alice* has certainly been our biggest project and we are grateful for its fantastic reception within College. This year's May Week production was the ever-popular *The Importance of Being Earnest* in the delightful surroundings of the Master's Garden.

As we continue to involve students from other Colleges the society is growing in size and gaining recognition on the wider Cambridge drama 'scene'. Even so, we hope to continue to be a fun, friendly and non-elitist group which gives first-time actors and directors a chance to experience the thrill of being involved with a play.

## MUSIC SOCIETY

*Victoria Griggs writes:*

This year has seen many successes for SCMS: over the course of the concert series we have presented a richly-varied programme with notable performances from Selwyn alumnus Armin Zanner singing Schubert's *Die Winterreise*, and Sarah MacDonald's two organ recitals in which she performed Bach's *Great Eighteen* Leipzig Chorale Preludes. In addition, we have been delighted to be able to welcome a number of other distinguished performers from Cambridge and from further afield, as well as providing Selwyn students with an opportunity to perform on home soil. In Michaelmas Term, Claire Innes-Hopkins and Mark Bostock both performed concertos in our orchestral concert, accompanied by an orchestra almost exclusively comprising Selwyn undergraduates. The major highlight of the year was the *Jazz* concert, held at West Road Concert Hall in which two acclaimed young jazz stars featured, namely Atila and Lewis Wright. This proved to be a major fundraiser for the Society and will allow other larger-scale events to be planned over the course of the next academic year. As is traditional, SCMS rounded off the year with the May Week Concert. This was thoroughly enjoyed by all, especially Francis Poulenc's *L'Histoire de Babar* (narrated by Dr Michael Tilby and accompanied by Sarah MacDonald) and Hummel's Trumpet Concerto (played by Abigail Brook). Next year's concert series promises to be equally exciting, with a variety of recitals and concerts already planned.

## NATURAL SCIENCES SOCIETY

*Ben Jones writes:*

The Selwyn College Natural Sciences Society, whose main aim is to organise social events for undergraduates studying the diverse range of disciplines which comprise the Natural Sciences Tripos, has been on good form this year.

Michaelmas Term had a shaky start, with the freshers' bowling trip being cancelled due to a general lack of interest. However, the resurrection of the long forgotten annual Natural Sciences Society Pub Crawl was a big success and all who attended enjoyed the evening, which incorporated a wide variety of fun and games.

In Lent we held the annual dinner, which was well attended and was livened up by some after dinner games and a characteristically entertaining speech from Dr Sage. We also held the traditionally shambolic society elections, and Heidi Gastall, Sarah Gallagher and Jenny Thomson were elected to serve on next year's committee.

In May Week we organised a joint garden party with the Medics and Vets which was, as always, a very enjoyable afternoon.

## SELWYN RAG

*Emily Blakeley writes:*

This year Selwyn students have enthusiastically participated in many of the University RAG central events, from Pyjama pub crawls to Blind Dates, and from Duck Races to Fashion shows!

Selwyn RAG has also collaborated with Newnham to organise several pub quizzes, which were a great success, drawing in students across the Colleges and locals alike.

Although our College total for fundraising is not as high as at some of the larger Colleges, it has increased steadily over the last two years and we hope that the future committee, and of course the students who participate, will continue this success.

## SOCIAL SCIENCES SOCIETY

*Ed Given writes:*

The Social Sciences Society has enjoyed another busy year, building on its previous successes. The academic year commenced by welcoming the new Geography and Social and Political Sciences students through welcome packs and an informal drinks event at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term.

In the Lent Term, the Society was very fortunate to welcome Norman Baker MP to the Diamond on 22 February 2008 for a well-received talk based on his recent book entitled 'The Strange Death of David Kelly'. The talk began with a critique of the investigatory process following the weapons inspector's death and concluded with a discussion focused around the audience's questions. The well-attended nature of the event in addition to the recent publication of an early draft of the infamous 'dodgy dossier' led to this closing aspect being lively and engaging.

The annual dinner was held in conjunction with the Classics Society on 10 March 2008. Despite difficulties in acquiring a speaker, the meal provided the perfect opportunity for students of the different disciplines encompassed within social sciences to come together.

The Society's year culminated in a Garden Party held in the picturesque College gardens on 18 June 2008. There is every indication that the success that the Society has experienced in its short history is set to continue into the future.







# Part four

## MEMBERS' NEWS

- 1937**     **Revd T P Hearn:** 20 June 2008 marks the 65th anniversary of my ordination as a priest in the Church of England, and I am glad to say that I am still able to officiate, usually three times a month.
- 1943**     **Mr D H Nixseaman:** Flew to America to visit his sister in her large manse (his brother-in-law being ordained). Enjoyed the 2006 alumni cruise to Turkey, guided by Rupert Thompson.
- 1944**     **Mr J G Jennens:** Has won the Queen's Award for Business Enterprise for his work as a volunteer business adviser (3600 clients over 22 years); he was presented with the award by the Queen at Buckingham Palace, 14 July 2008.
- 1945**     **Revd D H Goodrich:** For the past two years I have been acting as Sub-Warden of the College of St Barnabas, a Retirement Home for antiquated Anglican Priests near Lingfield, Surrey.
- Mr M R B Taylor:** Played double bass with the Bristol Concert Orchestra in March 2008 at a concert featuring Alexandra Wood (SE 1995) as soloist in the Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto.
- 1946**     **Mr P J M Aston:** New hip in February and awaiting new knee in May – my target being a round of golf on my 100th birthday!
- Mr J C Scott-Waine:** Notes the 60th anniversary of the first Selwyn May Ball in June 1948, which originated as a proposal by the Thursday Club, whose members included Gordon Turner Thomson (SE 1946) and the late James Winny (SE 1946). Gordon and John also rowed in Selwyn's first Rugby Boat.
- Mr G G Turner Thomson:** See previous entry.
- 1948**     **Rear Admiral J E K Croydon:** Still active in sailing and sail training. Enjoyed a week in February in the Canaries as a Watch Leader in the J.S.T. barque *Lord Nelson*.
- 1951**     **Revd E J Elwin:** Acted as Thomas Hardy in a play on his life. Still a Substitute Chaplain at Portland Young Offenders Institution.
- 1954**     **Professor O J Hanson:** Continues work in Stuttgart and Sarajevo as an External Examiner, and at Middlesex and Western Sydney Universities as a Visiting Professor.
- Mr D A Palgrave:** Recently elected Vice President of CUHAGS (Cambridge University Heraldic and Genealogical Society).

- 1956** **Mr J N Brown:** Was installed 12 November 2007 as Master of the Worshipful Company of Glovers of London for the year 2007-8.
- 1958** **Mr C R Berridge:** Celebrated my Ruby Wedding in April 2008. Involved in a church plant on a mixed estate in Rugby. Still photographing steam trains.
- Mr J R Williams:** Has directed a production of *Macbeth* at the Baj Pomorski Theatre in Torun, 14 March 2008.
- 1959** **Canon J R Henson:** Thoroughly enjoying retirement, including some local church involvement, Bach Choir and volunteering at Nottingham Refugee Forum.
- 1960** **Mr M J Anderson:** Elected Fellow of Society of Antiquaries, October 2007.
- 1961** **Mr P A Taylor:** Still working as a consultant in educational governance with colleges and schools in Kent, Bexley and Bromley.
- 1962** **Revd D F Mawson:** Retired from parish ministry in 2007. Now working as Force Chaplain and Pastoral Leader to West Mercia Constabulary.
- Dr R K Morris:** Consultant Buildings Archaeologist, having retired as Reader in Architectural History at the University of Warwick in 2001.
- 1963** **Professor A T Da Silva:** Published *D. Manuel II e Aveiro, Uma Visita Histórica (27 de Novembro de 1908)*, February 2007; a copy has been donated to the College Library.
- Mr D Gethin:** I have been elected as President of the Welsh Rugby Union (in 2007).
- Mr D M Wellman:** Retired as Registrar of Diocese of Lincoln, 30 April 2008; appointed a Lay Canon of Lincoln Cathedral.
- 1964** **Mr R Gurney:** 2nd Prize in the Gorseth Kernow (Cornish Gorseth) Poetry competition of 2007, and 1st Prize in 2008.
- Mr M D Kelland:** I am retired and living most of the year in Penang, Malaysia, with my wife. Both daughters and our grandson visit regularly. We are enjoying golf and I am singing with a choir and a small group in support of local charities.
- 1965** **Revd P H Eveson:** Retiring as Principal of the London Theological Seminary, June 2008.
- Dr A G Flutter:** Founded computer business, N C Graphics Ltd, in 1977 in Cambridge. Sold business to PTC Inc (of Boston USA) in 2007, after 30 years, for several million pounds. Now a consultant in computer-aided design.

**Professor A F M Smith:** Presently Principal of QMC, London; has been appointed Director-General of Science and Research at the Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills (DIUS).

**Mr H O de Saram:** From teaching Religious Education and Japanese at Marlborough College, as well as building the school's management information system, Hugh de Saram recently switched to programming databases for use over the internet at Church Mission Society HQ in Oxford.

**1966 Mr H G Annan:** Liveryman of Apothecaries. Honorary Treasurer, Obstetrics & Gynaecology Section of Royal Society of Medicine. Postgraduate teaching and examining in Nigeria, Sudan, Ghana and India, 2007-8.

**Mr A A Prempeh:** Appointed Chancellor of the Anglican Diocese of Kumasi by Bishop Daniel Y Sarfo.

**1967 Dr C J G Ives:** Bill received the degree of DMus from the Archbishop of Canterbury at Lambeth Palace on 1 July 2008. The so-called Lambeth Degrees are conferred at the discretion of the Archbishop.

**Mr D A Richards:** has compiled *Rudyard Kipling: a Bibliography*, to be published by the British Library in the autumn of 2008.

**1969 Revd Prebendary N S Mercer:** Appointed Vicar General for the London College of Bishops, December 2007; and Prebendary of Weldland, St Paul's Cathedral, March 2008.

**Mr A Singh:** Appointed Director of the IMF's Asia and Pacific Department in Washington DC.

**1971 Mr R Farrington:** After teaching for 33 years, I am having a change of lifestyle and moving to Cornwall to enjoy my health while I've still got it.

**Mr K P O'Connor:** His book *Ugandan Society Observed* has just been published ([www.fountainpublishers.co.ug](http://www.fountainpublishers.co.ug)). 14 chapters: gender, aid, environment, religion, language, sport, music, sex, education, media, poverty, health, tobacco, pot pourri. Lived in Uganda since 1994.

**Very Revd C W Taylor:** Dean of Peterborough, was surprised and delighted to be awarded an Honorary Fellowship of the Guild of Church Musicians in November 2007, in company with (among others) Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

**1972 Dr R P T Davenport-Hines:** Committee member, Royal Literary Fund since 2007. Published *Ettie, the Intimate Life of Lady Desborough* (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, 2008).

- 1973**    **Professor H Jakubowicz:** Appointed PGS Professor of Petroleum Geophysics at Imperial College London (from 1 September 2007).
- Mr M G Palmer:** Made Co-Chair of the UN Programme on Climate Change, the Natural Environment and the Faiths.
- Dr P B Payne:** Published *1 Tim 2.12 and the Use of OUIDE to Combine Two Elements to Express a Single Idea*, *New Testament Studies* 54:2 (April 2008) 235-253. See <http://www.linguistsoftware.com/payneessays.htm>.
- 1974**    **Mr R J Golding:** Appointed Chairman of Cellfacts Instruments Ltd in September 2007 (University of Warwick technology spinout).
- Dr H C Mytum:** Has been appointed Director of the Centre for Manx Studies, within the School of Archaeology, Classics and Egyptology at the University of Liverpool, based both there and at the Centre's headquarters on the Isle of Man. This interdisciplinary research centre investigates the history, culture and contemporary issues regarding the Isle of Man, within its wider geographical and cultural contexts.
- Mr A P Payne:** Has published *Richard Hakluyt: a Guide to his Books, 1580-1625* (London, Quaritch, 2008).
- 1975**    **Mr M G Bennett:** Arrival of Carla, July 2007, brother to Nicholas (born 2003). Yet another reorganisation in Transport for London plus a new Mayor!
- Mr M J Brearley:** Currently President of the European Society of Veterinary Oncology; in January 2008 he joined the staff of Queen's Veterinary School Hospital, University of Cambridge, as Principal Clinical Oncologist.
- Mr N J Roberts:** Author of the Brandt Travel Guide to the former Soviet Republic of Belarus, published in June 2008.
- Mr G Yapp:** Became headteacher of Bushey Hall School, Bushey, Hertfordshire in September 2007.
- 1976**    **Dr S G Death:** Awarded the Swedish Academy's Translation Prize 2008, 40,000 kronor in value.
- 1977**    **Mr A J Witcombe-Small:** Senior Translator, CLS Communications, London, since July 2007.
- 1978**    **Mr S R Evans:** I have accepted an appointment at The College of Law in Birmingham, teaching Equity and Trusts on the Graduate Diploma in Law course, and some Property work on the LPC course.



**Mr N M P Gough:** Neil and his family relocated to New Delhi, India in October 2007, where he is working for Vodafone Group. They are all having a great time.

**Mr D J Roe:** Has been a Director of the Department for Culture, Media and Sport since 2006.

**Mr H A J Stewart:** Happy Ltd, the company founded and run by Henry Stewart, was this year rated by the Financial Times as the second-best company to work for in the UK. The company has previously won the Management Today award for the best customer service in the country (2003) and the Business in the Community award for having the most positive impact on society of any UK small business (2006).

1980 **Mrs J E Barham:** Has successfully completed an MA in English Literature at the Open University.

**Mr R G Sudbury:** I live in Bishops Stortford with my wife Rowena and children Isabel and Thomas. I work in St Albans as in-house lawyer for Orange.

1982 **Dr C Hales:** Gave the keynote address *Designing Today without Trouble Tomorrow* at the DESIGN 2008 International Conference in Cavtat, Croatia.

1983 **Professor D S Cunningham:** Published *Christian Ethics: The End of the Law* (Routledge, 2008).

**Mr R Lancaster:** A third daughter, Rhianna, born 11 February 2008, a beautiful baby sister for Becky, Samantha and Kaden.

1984 **Mr R J Martin:** Robert and Sabrina are delighted to announce the birth of a second daughter, Rosanna, a sister for Sophie. Celebrating 10 years as CEO of BOC Aviation, a Singapore-based subsidiary of Bank of China (the first overseas acquisition by a Chinese Bank).

**Dr G D Tennant:** As from January 2008, I am Senior Lecturer in Mathematics Education at the Institute of Education, University of Reading.

1985 **Colonel J C W Maciejewski:** Has been appointed Chief of Staff of The 3rd (United Kingdom) Division and promoted to Colonel, on relinquishing command of the Second Battalion The Rifles. He was awarded a Distinguished Service Order (DSO) for the period in Basra City 2006-7. He will be returning to Iraq in 2008 as Chief of Staff of the British Contingent.

**Mag J M Scudamore-Trezek:** I have just completed my professional qualifications as a translator and now hold a Diploma in Translation (DipTransIoLET) from the Chartered Institute of Linguists.



- 1987 **Dr J P Toner:** Elected a Fellow of Hughes Hall, October 2007.
- 1988 **Mr C D Parker:** Writing for *EastEnders*, as well as the animated adventures of Peppa Pig, Roary the Racing Car and Shaun the Sheep. Thomas arrived in September 2007, a brother for Libby.
- Mr D J Welch:** Will be taking up a post in August 2008 as the Department for International Development's Head of Office in Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania.
- Mr N C Willott:** Birth of first child Victoria Lorne to Nick and Claire in Australia on 21 June 2007.
- 1989 **Dr J M Nuttall (née Poxon):** Is delighted to announce the birth of Thea, January 2008; a sister for Douggie, now three; they are enjoying family life.
- Mr D E Riddle:** Invested as a Knight of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre (KHS), June 2008.
- Dr J C Y Welch:** Robert and I are delighted to announce the arrival of Annabel Elizabeth Mei born on 27 July 2007, weighing 7lbs 4 oz and measuring 50cm.
- 1990 **Dr M A E Hammer:** Margaret and her husband Richard Clegg (SE 1988) are delighted to announce the birth of William Edward Hammer Clegg on 6 June 2008.
- 1991 **Mr N P Pickard:** A second son, Edmund Herbert, arrived August 2007; Nick has recently moved to the Foreign Office to be Head of Security Policy.
- 1992 **Revd Canon A R Norman:** Is the Archbishop of Canterbury's Principal Secretary for International, Ecumenical and Anglican Communion Affairs, and has been appointed Principal of Ridley Hall.
- Mr J A Webb:** Was married on 26 July to Miss Emma Box at St Lawrence's Church, Appleby-in-Westmorland. Many past members of Selwyn College Wine Tasting Society (vintage 1992-95) were amongst the guests. The choir for the service sang music by Poulenc, Duruflé and Purcell and consisted of Lay Clerks from at least five cathedrals.
- 1993 **Mr G E Daykin:** Has completed an MBA at Columbia University, New York.
- 1994 **Dr S L Atwood:** Sophie and her husband Matt (Christ's, 1987) were very pleased to welcome into the world their daughter Merla Madeleine on 20 August 2007, a sister for Niamh, now aged two.
- Revd Canon C M Chivers:** Is Canon Chancellor of Blackburn Cathedral and a trustee of USPG: Anglicans in World Mission; this year he is also a worship co-ordinator for the Lambeth Conference.

- 1995**    **Mrs H F Moffatt:** Helen continues to live on the Gold Coast, Australia, where she and her husband Andrew have bought a 24-foot trailerable yacht.
- Mrs J L Showell (née Haines):** Ian and Joanna are delighted to announce the birth of their second daughter, Chloe, 12 February 2008.
- 1996**    **Dr T S J Dunkley Jones:** Rachel (New Hall, 1995) and I are greatly enjoying Isaac Thomas (born July 2007). I'm working in UCL's Palaeoceanography research group.
- Mr R G Thexton:** Engaged to Kate Young (SE 1998).
- Mr J A Tucker:** Engaged to Rachel Paterson (SE 1999).
- 1997**    **Dr A Timms:** Married in May 2007. Appointed Director of Development and Fellow of The Queen's College, Oxford, in October 2007.
- Revd Dr J A Walters:** Was ordained priest in the Parish Church of St-John-at-Hampstead on Friday, 4 July 2008.
- Miss C E Wood:** Recently completed first English version of distinguished French article on Tourette's Syndrome. Soon to be published (with myself as primary author, and Dr Hugh Rickards of Queen Elizabeth Psychiatric Hospital, Birmingham) in *History of Psychiatry* and *Journal of Neuroscience and Neuropsychology*.
- 1998**    **Dr D L Caddy:** Recently appointed to a lectureship at Oxford Brookes University; also a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy.
- Captain D D A Reader:** Captain (Royal Signals), at present serving abroad.
- 1999**    **Mr A J Buckmaster:** Is now working for the European Tour Operators Association.
- Mr G A J Burnett:** I have quit the London rat race to care for children with syphilis in Cameroon.
- Mr S P Damato:** Has been appointed Assistant Head of the Prostate & Rectology Department at the Royal Free Hospital, London, in recognition of his continued advancement of the field.
- Mr B C Grist:** His engagement to Ms Eliza Mountbatten was announced in *Hello!* Magazine, 25 January 2008.
- Mrs N Hayat (née Ahmad):** Nadia married Khalid Hayat (Fitzwilliam, 1995) in April 2007.

**Mr M R C Murdoch:** Has had his first daughter Beatrice Ulma Murdoch christened, born 2 July 2007.

**Mr J O M Pepperman:** Has been appointed Head of Politics (and 2nd in the History Department) at Cheltenham College.

2001 **Mr E C C de Rivaz:** Lives and works in Los Angeles, and has recently got engaged to Miss Holly Elliott of Pepperdine University, Malibu.

**Mr W P W Streeting:** Has been elected to serve as National President of the National Union of Students for 2008-9. He has also been appointed as a non-executive director of Endsleigh Insurance Ltd and is also a director of the H.E. Academy.

2002 **Dr A J Aspden:** Julie (née Batley) and Andy are enjoying life in the Bay Area, California as they carry out postdoctoral research at Berkeley.

2003 **Mr D Trocmé Latter:** Will begin doctoral studies in musicology in October at Magdalene College, having achieved a distinction in his Master's at the University of Southampton.

2004 **Miss F E Gregory:** Took top prize at the UK Varsity Chinese Competition, with sword-dancing and Chinese proverbs among her specialist subjects, and will now participate in the international heats in Beijing. She won over the judges with an impressive performance of Chinese sword-dancing and demonstrated an impressive knowledge of architecture in Beijing as well as ancient proverbs.

**Mr F J Mills IV:** I still do rural electrification work in Africa with NRECA International and finally took my Cambridge PhD degree in July 2008.

## OBITUARIES

### J A C Bland (SE 1977)

*Tony Bland was born in Quebec Province, Canada, in 1958 and he came up to Selwyn in 1977. He was appointed Professor of Experimental Physics in the Cavendish in 2001 and he died tragically in December 2007. A Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving was held in the Selwyn Chapel on 23 February, at which Sir David Harrison gave the following Address.*



For rather a private person, Tony Bland had an astonishingly open countenance and smile. And it is that smile that many in this Chapel will fondly remember. We have here today his family to whom our hearts go out, many friends and distinguished colleagues from the Cavendish, members of the Selwyn Fellowship and the College staff, and junior members of the College splendidly represented by the Chapel choir. Other friends are also with us, some of whom have travelled some way. We have all come together to mourn, to remember, and to give thanks for a distinguished life.

I first met Tony in September 1975 when I interviewed him for admission to read Natural Sciences at Selwyn. It is not for me to say now whether it helped that I remembered his father from my own undergraduate days, or indeed whether the fact that he had lived some of his teenage years in a house close to a former property of the Selwyn family because, in any case, Tony had no difficulty in satisfying the A level conditions we set for him for entry in 1977. His academic performance on leaving Henley Sixth Form College showed the wide range of his abilities – his A level performance in English Literature, for example, was as distinguished as his Physics. Tony regularly told me that he was admitted to Selwyn because he was the only scientist in his year who convinced the Senior Tutor that learning a Mozart Piano Concerto really was one of his interests, and it had not just been put on his application form to impress me.

Tony took a gap year before coming up to Cambridge, living adventurously in France, Mexico, Sardinia, and in Canada where he had been born in 1958. Academically he came into his own with a First in Part II Physics in 1980, and this opened the door to graduate work and a PhD in 1984 on Surface Particle Scattering. By the time he joined the full Fellowship at Selwyn in 1988, he had already acquired an impressive range of academic experience outside Cambridge, at the international research facility at Grenoble, and in Oxford. And 1982 saw the start of his wonderfully happy marriage to Catherine. At Selwyn he greatly admired Ian Muir – his undergraduate tutor (and later colleague) – and he spoke movingly at Ian's funeral in this Chapel.

His Fellowship at Selwyn took him to such duties as Director of Studies in Physics, Dean for a short while, and as Editor of the College *Calendar*. I believe he would have been the first to admit that these tasks were not the most interesting parts of his life, and certainly not at all to be compared with his close research group in the Cavendish or his complete life with Cathy. For him administration was probably a bit of a bother and, for someone whose French was so good, he never seemed to get around to translating RSVP. When my wife and I invited Tony and Cathy to parties in the Master's Lodge of two things we could be certain – first there would be no reply to our invitation and, second, they would invariably turn up. When I once tackled Tony about this, that wonderful smile supported words which expressed both an apology for any discourtesy and utter amazement that we should ever have imagined they would not come. When the College entertained its graduate students, the Tutors could always count upon the inseparable presence and support of the Blands.

Tony was a dedicated experimental scientist with very considerable talents outside his science, not least as a jazz pianist, but also as a skier, a pilot of light aircraft, and a sailor. With his commitment to science so strong, he rather surprised me three years ago with a request that I contribute a session to a programme he was arranging that term for members of his research group. The aim was to get his visitors to stimulate discussion within the group on scientific policy at large, not in any way to take them away from their science (heaven forefend I suspect), but rather that a greater awareness of such issues would strengthen their hands as future scientific ambassadors in a world not always sympathetic to science or scientists. The range of his intellectual curiosity was both exciting and infectious.

Tony died not long after his 49th birthday, and within a very few days of Catherine's death. It is hard to imagine how he could have packed more into his years. To his family who mourn, and to his scientific colleagues who may ponder insights no longer available, words like 'untimely', 'premature' and 'waste' come naturally to mind as we all try to come to terms with a deep mystery. But for believers all life is sacred and each life – whether its length be short, medium or long – has its own completeness in the sight of God. It is that life we salute today and for which we give thanks.

Using the motto of a British University I know well, let us

Thank God for all.

## Sir Edwin Nixon (SE 1943)

*Sir Edwin (Eddie) Nixon was born in 1925 and in his death on August 17 the College lost a very good friend and its senior Honorary Fellow. He came up to Selwyn in 1943 but the exigencies of War delayed his graduation in Mathematics until 1949. He was a generous man to many charitable causes with special interest in supporting music and grand opera in particular.*

*The College was represented at his Funeral in Hampshire by Professor Owen Chadwick. A fine address given on that occasion by a former IBM colleague, Mr David Livermore, included the following words: 'Eddie Nixon won a Scholarship to Selwyn College to read Mathematics. After a First in Part I, his studies were interrupted by the War, when he and many of his friends volunteered for the Royal Air Force. When peace came he eventually found his way back to Cambridge. He clearly enjoyed the rest of his time at Selwyn, becoming, amongst other things, the Captain of the College tennis team, as well as indulging in rugby and bridge – his skill at the latter also providing a welcome supplement to his grant. We shall draw a discrete veil over his Part II results. Despite this (or because of it) I know how delighted he was in later life to be given an Honorary Fellowship of Selwyn and he certainly retained throughout his life an immense affection for his old College.'*

*His distinguished and wide-ranging life was also captured in a Times obituary on August 20 which, with permission, is given below.*

Sir Edwin Nixon ran the British arm of IBM during the computer company's golden age. He joined in 1955 when IBM was better known for cardboard punch cards than silicon processors. By the time he retired in 1990 Big Blue had been eclipsed by Microsoft and the desktop PC. In between times the company made its name as the company whose products got nobody fired.

Nixon did much to bring American computer power across the Atlantic. He also promulgated new business methods that intrigued Britons in the early 1960s as much as Google's "Don't be evil" mantra does today. With Nixon at the helm, IBM (UK) tore down barriers that kept workers and managers apart. Nixon ate in the same canteen as his staff and abandoned such trappings of executive office as a reserved car parking space. He encouraged employees to criticise, and believed that IBM found success because of it.

Management was, and still is, considered by many to be an art that anyone can practise. Nixon helped to dilute that notion, extolling the benefits of strategic thinking, rigorous research and meticulous execution. Today independent consultants are seen as the wise owls of corporate strategy. In the 1960s and 1970s IBM and other firms such as Unilever, Shell and BP showed the way.

Nixon reflected IBM policy by being fiercely protective of staff although loyalty, some argue, became an impediment to progress in the face of stiffening 1980s competition. With the onset of lean times IBM found it difficult to adjust and loath to refresh itself through corporate restructuring.

Away from IBM Nixon was instrumental in the establishment of Silicon Glen, the Scottish centre for computer technology and entrepreneurship modelled on Silicon Valley, California. On retiring from IBM he applied his skills to a trio of UK blue chips. Most notably, Nixon was entrusted with the chairmanship of Amersham International from 1988 to 1996. Amersham, a medical research company, was Margaret Thatcher's first privatisation and a test-bed for subsequent telecoms, gas and electricity sell-offs. Nixon is credited with injecting commercial vigour into Amersham, an organisation then known better for its scientific than business credentials.

Nixon was appointed managing director of IBM (UK) in 1965 at the relatively tender age of 40. Perhaps as a result, he was willing to nurture other youngish people. At Amersham he presided over the 1989 appointment of Bill Castell, who was then 42, as chief executive. Castell is now chairman of Wellcome Trust and a senior figure at BP.

At Amersham Nixon also worked alongside Sir Tom McKillop, the former chief executive of AstraZeneca, the drugs company that emerged from ICI. McKillop, as well as being a senior director at BP, is chairman of Royal Bank of Scotland and is now drawing on lessons learnt working beside Nixon at Amersham.

Nixon was appointed non-executive director of National Westminster Bank in 1975 and served as deputy chairman from 1987 until 1996. He was a non-executive director of Royal Insurance for eight years from 1980.

Colleagues remember Nixon as an executive who understood that big picture visions had to be complemented by a close attention to detail. While at Amersham, he determinedly suggested that the company adopt a "tripolar" approach of selling in Europe, North America and Asia before globalisation became the stuff of common parlance. He actively sought to give capitalism an acceptable face and extolled the social benefits of business at a time when industry was seen, in government circles and elsewhere, as unsavory. Us-and-them-style industrial relations were a particular bugbear.

Nixon benefited personally from advances in medical science of the sort that he encouraged in office hours. He enjoyed nearly 25 years of life after his first heart bypass operation at the age of 59.

"Eddie" Nixon was born in Leicester in 1921. He attended Alderman Newton's School, Leicester, and often spoke warmly of the opportunities he was given courtesy of the grammar school system. He read mathematics at Selwyn College, Cambridge. His association with education was life-long: he was made an Honorary Fellow of Selwyn in 1983, and occupied the influential role of chairman of the council of the University of Leicester from 1992 to 1998. He was also connected with Manchester Business School; the Oxford Centre for Management Studies (renamed Templeton College in 1983); the Open University and the Civil Service College.

Nixon's interests were wide. He sat on the advisory council of the *New Oxford English Dictionary*; he worked with the Prince's Youth Trust and Business in the Community; and he was president of the National Association for Gifted Children from 1980 to 1991. Recreationally, he enjoyed golf and classical music and was among the first executives to authorise corporate sponsorship of the arts. He was chairman of the board of trustees of the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden.

Nixon's first wife, Joan Hill, died in 1995. He is survived by a daughter and a son, and his second wife, Bridget, whom he married in 1997.

### **A J L Alden (SE 1957-60)**

Jeff Alden read Geography at Selwyn. He went on to teach the subject at Wellingborough and Cowbridge School, where he was Head of Sixth Form for many years. He authored three A-Level Geography textbooks.

During his retirement he took up an interest in local history, and variously wrote, edited and produced books and DVDs on Cowbridge. He enjoyed cricket, squash, walking and travel, gardening and sketching.

Jeff met Betty Coward (Homerton) at the Cambridge Jazz Club in 1958. They married in 1962 and had three children.

Jeff Alden died in September 2007 at the age of 70.

### **A B Bailey (SE 1950-1953)**

Tony was educated at Kingston Grammar School, Surrey, from 1942 to 1949. He was awarded a scholarship to Selwyn and graduated in 1953 with a BA (Hons) in Physics.

Tony started employment at Mullard Research Laboratory, Redhill, Surrey, as the microwave tube development engineer. From 1958 to 1964 he was manufacturing engineer of high power klystrons at EE Valve Company, Chelmsford, Essex. In 1964 he, his wife Jill, and daughters Joanne and Philippa moved to Brixham in Devon. Tony was involved in the development and manufacture of UHF tubes and travelling-wave tubes at STC, Paignton, Devon. In 1976 the family emigrated to Georgetown, Ontario. In Canada, Tony was employed as Senior Engineer and later Quality Assurance Manager at Varian Ltd.

One of his interests was car racing at Goodwood. He built his own sports car with parts purchased from wreckers' garages. He used a 1936 Wolseley chassis, a Hornet transmission and differential rear axle, and completed it with a fibre-glass body.



Tony retired in February 1995, when he and Jill moved to a 2½-acre property in the country village of Damascus, Ontario. Here he spent many hours on his John Deere tractor, mowing grass, and clearing snow in the winter. He helped many neighbours with building projects and was involved with the local horticultural society. He had a keen interest in the computer, spending many hours at his desk; it was here that he became reacquainted with old College friends. Tony also became a keen photographer, taking many pictures of Jill's garden, his much loved dog, and, of course, his family. He was especially proud of his grandchildren.

Tony lived courageously with lymphoma for two years. He passed away on 7 January 2008 at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Barrie, Ontario. His wife Jill, two daughters and their husbands, five grandchildren, his sister Patricia and her husband, and cousins in New Zealand and Australia remember him with love and sorrow.

*We are grateful to his wife Jill for this obituary.*

### **K Baker (College Office 1958-97, College Office Manager 1983-97)**

Born in Trumpington on 23 November 1937, Ken grew up in a farmhouse on Long Road, and attended Trumpington Church School and the Central School for Boys before going on to study for A-Levels at the Tech (now Anglia Ruskin University).

As a boy Ken sang with the chapel choir of Clare College. Later he was a keen and talented sportsman. Considered for selection for the county side, he was a very fine fast bowler and played for Barrington, Old Perownians, and the Grasshoppers into his fifties. (He led Selwyn's Fellows and Staff attack against the undergraduate team during the Long Vac.) Ken represented Cambridgeshire at badminton, as both player and selector, and also enjoyed cribbage and darts. He was a keen gardener, growing flowers and vegetables on three allotments.

Ken came to Selwyn as Accounts Clerk in 1958. He served under six Bursars and rose to the position of College Office Manager in 1983. He is remembered for his great loyalty and conscientiousness. He was often in the office long after others had gone home. During his last few years at the College he had a computer on his desk, though it was rumoured that he never switched it on: he called it the most expensive paperweight in Cambridge. He was pleasant to work with and well liked by all his colleagues.

He was devoted to his parents and lived with them in the family home on George Street. After the sad death of his mother in 1991, Ken took on the care of his father who suffered with Parkinson's disease. Though a demanding task, Ken performed it with great warmth and kindness.

Ken died on 4 March 2008. His funeral service was held at Selwyn on 12 March. Delivering the address, his niece Catherine Phillips described Ken as 'a generous man in every meaning of the word'.

*We are grateful to his niece Catherine Phillips for sending us information for this obituary.*

### **L J Clark (SE 1958-61)**

*Roger Williams (SE 1958-62) writes:*

Lester and I both arrived at Selwyn in 1958, Lester after his National Service in the RAF, where I supposed that he had perfected the art of riding a bicycle stylishly and slowly without ever losing his balance. He seemed to me so confident in his manner, neat, and trimly dressed in smart sporting jacket and cavalry twill trousers. We both performed for the Marlowe Society in a double bill of *Henry IV*, Parts 1 and 2 – John Barton's production that would provide the initiative for his magnificent 'Wars of the Roses' for the Royal Shakespeare Company a few years later. Lester followed that up in 1960 with *Cymbeline* (where his fellow actors included Margaret Drabble, Derek Jacobi, Ian McKellen and Trevor Nunn) and also with regular appearances for the Mitre Players at Selwyn – I particularly remember his Proteus, immaculately delivered, in *The Two Gentlemen of Verona*. We both moved for our third year to that true home of artists, 19 West Road. The house has now been demolished, but the tree outside it still survives, which all of us who then were living there climbed up for farewell group photographs.

At Easter in 1962 I was best man for Lester's wedding to Christine Beckley at St Mary's Church, Harrow-on-the-Hill. Christine was at that time a Junior Soloist for the Royal Ballet, and the wedding was attended by many of the famous dancers in that company.

Our professional lives diverged after that, although I remember in particular two remarkable productions of Lester's for Thames Television in the early 1980s: a Christmas Eve carol service from Kingston Parish Church, with his two young adopted sons, Igor and Dorian, sweetly singing in the choir, and in 1985 a highly imaginative dramatized performance of *The Childhood of Christ* by Berlioz, with the dances performed by soloists from the Royal Ballet. Lester also produced a lively television biography of Rudolf Nureyev, and a definitive 'Shakespeare's Theatre' for Schools TV.

We saw more of each other after Lester had retired, when he left London to join Rosemary, his second wife, in Marlborough and then in Bristol. During these years he continued to translate Spanish classical authors for Everyman Books (he had read Modern and Medieval Languages at Selwyn), and to give poetry recitals. I remember attending a moving recital in Bristol, which he gave after he had had his stroke in 2000.

Throughout his life Lester maintained an elegance of mind to match his elegant figure. He was a true friend, through thick and thin. May he rest in peace.

*Lester Clark died during the night of 23-24 October 2007.*

## O V Eva (SE 1936-39)

Owen Vyvyan Eva MBE, Honorary Canon of Liverpool Cathedral, was a man totally dedicated to the work of God. One night in February 1945, three American submarines had already sunk two ships in the convoy transporting him and other Japanese prisoners of war from Singapore to Saigon. He felt the presence of God with him there, in the death hold of the ship, and knew that if he survived the night, then God had work for him to do.

Owen Eva was born on 24 May 1917 at Shipdam Rectory in Norfolk. He attended Gresham's School at Holt and then studied Natural Sciences at Selwyn, where he was a keen rower. After graduating, he was due to take a teaching position in Palestine, but war intervened. He enlisted and was posted to the Northumberland Fusiliers. In 1942 the regiment was sent to Singapore and arrived on 5 February, ten days before its fall. He was a prisoner of the Japanese, working on the notorious Burma Railway, until August 1945. His memories of this time are included in his book *A Captivity Remembered*, published in 1992.

Following his release, and knowing that God had a role for him, he was accepted for theological training at Ridley Hall. He was ordained on 21 December 1947. During his curacy at St Michael's Parish Church in Garston, Liverpool, he married Joy, who was to be a great influence on his life. In December 1951 he was appointed vicar of St Catherine's Church in Edge Hill. During his ministry there he invited a Japanese Christian minister, who had not been allowed to preach in another Liverpool parish, to come to his church and talk to the congregation. In April 1957 he took up his appointment as vicar of St Andrew's Church in Hong Kong. This was a great joy to him, as he wanted to repay the Chinese for their generosity to the British when they were prisoners in Thailand. In Hong Kong he tended to the needs of Chinese refugees and was a key figure in initiating the debate that would lead to the unification of the Chinese- and English-speaking churches of the colony. Because of illness he returned to England in 1961 and briefly served as vicar of Holy Trinity Church, Warrington.

From 1962 to his retirement he worked as rector of Halewood, a parish which, owing to overspill from Liverpool, swelled from 4,000 to nearly 30,000 in ten years. He was instrumental in the building of a new church at Halewood, St Mary's, a building to be shared by Anglicans and Methodists. This was one of the first, and is almost certainly the longest surviving, Anglican/Methodist ecumenical project in England. His overriding concern was always for the people of Halewood, how he could make their lives better and bring them to Christ. He helped bring about the foundation of the local Community Centre, was a governor of all the schools in Halewood, and was also a member of Lancashire Education Committee. In recognition of this tireless work, he was awarded the MBE in the New Year's honours list of 1983.

Owen Eva died on 18 April 2008. His wife Joy predeceased him and he is survived by three of his four sons.

*We are grateful to his sons Chris and Timothy Eva for this obituary.*

#### **D Foskett (SE 1932-5)**

Derrick Foskett was born at Ootacamund, India, on 18 August 1914, the son of a medical missionary who later became a general practitioner in Yorkshire. He attended Haileybury before coming up to Selwyn in 1932 to read Medical Sciences.

During the Second World War he served as Captain in the Royal Army Medical Corps and, after a posting to Basra, was sent to North Africa. Foskett was taken by a German patrol in May 1942 and held first at Tobruk, then at Caserta in Campania. When the Italians surrendered, he and some friends cut through the wire of the prison camp, coming under fire from Germans. Having escaped, he headed north, away from the advancing Allies to the south. He remained at large for five months, sheltered by peasants and drinking from streams, until a German patrol found him hiding up a chimney in a mill. Foskett was then transferred to several camps in Germany and Slovakia. Towards the end of the war he toured Germany in the company of an English-speaking German officer with a Gestapo pass, distributing Red Cross food parcels.

After the war Foskett worked for the World Health Organization, treating tuberculosis in Tunisia; his work in this field continued at the Peppard Chest Hospital, South Oxfordshire and then as a chest physician in Reading. During retirement he enjoyed birdwatching, long walks and listening to classical music.

Derrick Foskett married Joan Lightburn in 1949; she died in 1992. He is survived by a son and two daughters.

#### **J T George (SE 1942-4)**

While on a visit to Wales to attend a family funeral, the Reverend Prebendary John Thomas George died unexpectedly on 11 February 2008, at the age of 91.

He was born and brought up one of a Welsh-speaking farming family in Pembrokeshire, the farm's fields going to the cliff's edge and the sea. In 1942 he came to Selwyn to read for a BA in Theology, having taken his first degree in Education at Lampeter College, University of Wales, studying Classics. Being a student at that time also included regular training for the Army Reserve Force. John valued highly his time at Selwyn and his interest in and love of his College were lifelong.

On graduation he went the short distance to Westcott House to take his ordination course. He was ordained in St David's Cathedral in September 1945. It was the beginning of a long and distinguished ministry of sixty-two years. He was a curate in Wales and at Bristol, moving to Wells Cathedral as priest vicar and to teach in the Cathedral School. His first incumbency as vicar was at Cheddar in Somerset, followed by three years as an Army Chaplain with the Royal Engineers at Osnabrück. During this time he oversaw the building of a new Garrison Chapel. On his return to the United

Kingdom he served for a short period in the diocese of York before returning to the West Country to be rector of Backwell in the diocese of Bath and Wells, and rural dean of the Portishead deanery. His final appointment before retirement was as rector of the team ministry at Wellington and District. He was also made a Prebendary of Wells Cathedral, an honour that he greatly valued.

Retirement saw a move to Devon and the diocese of Exeter. There he cared for the small church of St James Avonwick, performed chaplain duties at Exeter Cathedral, and helped in many parishes wherever he was needed. For several years he was also chaplain to the chairman of South Hams District Council.

On several occasions John attended functions at Selwyn, the last one being in May 2006. Christmas 2007 found him the happy recipient of the recently published *Selwyn Celebrated*. The book was read from cover to cover with great delight and he was amazed to see that he featured in two of the photographs (on pp. 101 and 141). His family know he would wish to say a big thank you to Selwyn for all it gave him and how he felt privileged to have been there.

Sadly his first wife Eleanor, with whom he had three children, died in 1978. He is survived by his second wife Grace, with whom he shared twenty-six years of marriage, daughter Mary and son-in-law Trevor Turton (SE 1969-72), daughter Rachel and son-in-law David, son Andrew and daughter-in-law Olive, grandchildren Peter and Jane, and brother Harries.

A memorial service for John was held in Exeter Cathedral on 19 April 2008. Over two hundred and thirty people attended from near and far, a real tribute to him. John had served the Church with true devotion, a kind, caring and compassionate priest, and, as many attested, a true gentleman. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

*We are grateful to his wife Grace for this obituary.*

#### **R D Greenfield (SE 1951-4)**

Professor Richard Greenfield was born in London in 1931. Educated at King Edward VI Grammar School, Louth, he read Geography at Selwyn before serving for three years in the Colonial Education Service in Tanganyika. Thereafter he spent most of his career in Africa, working at University College, Nairobi, the Universities of Addis Ababa, Ghana, Benin, Khartoum, and as Professor of History at the University of Asmara in Eritrea from 1999 to 2007. He also taught at the State University of New York, Northwestern University, and from 1977 to 1981 at St Anthony's College and Queen Elizabeth House, the Department of International Development at the University of Oxford. During the mid-1990s he was chairman of the Africa Centre, London.

While dean of students at Addis Ababa, he sheltered a number of student activists at the time of the attempted coup against Haile Selassie in December 1960, thus saving their lives. From then until his departure from Ethiopia in 1962 Greenfield was subject to harassment and house arrest.

His *Ethiopia: A New Political History* first appeared in 1965. This work, which begins with a survey of Ethiopia's long history from the pre-Christian Axumite Empire to the nineteenth century, is devoted mainly to an account of the reign of Haile Selassie and provides a 120-page analysis of the failed 1960 coup, drawing upon written records and Greenfield's own experiences and observations of the event. Implicitly sympathetic towards the revolutionaries, Greenfield's book offered a critique of contemporary Ethiopian politics and government seen in historical perspective. Haile Selassie's government banned the work in Ethiopia, though copies circulated underground.

A champion of African and Asian liberation from colonial rule, Greenfield later advised a number of African politicians and leaders on foreign affairs and human rights. Jailed in Nigeria in 1976, he was sensitive to the plight of prisoners. He supported African refugees, intervening with Western authorities on their behalf whenever possible. In retirement he continued to receive calls from desperate Africans who knew that he would help them.

He took a particular interest in Eritrea, which he had first visited in 1958, and he was active in campaigning for the country's liberation from Ethiopian rule and for press freedom. In 1999 he returned to Eritrea. He enjoyed exploring that country and had hoped to write a history of it. His personal library and rich archives, known as the Greenfield Collection, are deposited at the Eritrean Research and Documentation Centre, Asmara, where he was senior consultant.

Richard Greenfield died at Oxford on 1 June 2008.

### **W H Hore (SE 1937-40)**

Wilfred (Freddie) Hore combined outstanding careers in the military and education.

Born on 14 July 1915, he was educated at Torquay Boys' Grammar School and University College of the South West at Exeter. In 1937 he came up to Selwyn through an open exhibition to read Geography, and in 1940 he graduated BA and was awarded a Postgraduate Certificate in Education.

During these years he was also a member of the Cambridge University Officer Training Corps, and on 2 November 1940 was commissioned Second Lieutenant, Royal Engineers. He served with the 14 Corps Field Survey Company before commanding 1 and 4 Air Survey Liaison Sections RE from 1943 to 1946. In the former unit he was closely involved in the preparations for D-Day.

After the war he took up a career in education, teaching at Plympton Grammar School in 1946-7 and Portsmouth Grammar School, where he was Senior Geography Master from 1947 to 1956. He was there involved with the CCF and commanded 338 Cartographic Squadron RE (TA), before appointment in 1951 as CO of 135 Survey Engineer Regiment RE (TA). He went on to headmasterships at Bec School, Tooting (1956-66), and the Royal Grammar School, Guildford (1966-75).

Awarded the Territorial Decoration in 1953, Hore was appointed Deputy Lieutenant of Surrey in 1962, and was granted the honorary rank of Colonel in 1984. He held governorships at Wilson's School, Sutton, and the Royal Grammar School, Guildford.

From the 1990s onwards he was President of the 135 Officers' Dining Club and President and Patron of Torquay Old Grammarians Society. He retained a great affection for Selwyn and was President of the Association in 1986-7.

Freddie Hore died on 5 February 2008, and is survived by his wife Pat.

*We are grateful to his wife Pat for sending us information for this obituary.*

### **J D Johns (SE 1931-4; Chaplain 1949-53; Dean of the College 1951-3)**

Dudley Johns, priest and schoolmaster, was born on 14 March 1909. He attended Bancroft's School, Woodford Green, and came up to Selwyn in 1931, where he read History and Theology.

After some time at Ridley Hall, he was ordained deacon in September 1936, entering the priesthood a year later. From 1939 to 1941 he was curate of Grays, Thurrock, before appointment as vicar of All Saints' Forest Gate. In 1947-8, while still at Forest Gate, he served as resident chaplain at Butlin's Holiday Camp, Clacton-on-Sea. Between 1946 and 1953 he was also an Inspector of Schools.

In 1949 Johns returned to Selwyn as Chaplain. In conjunction with the College chaplaincy he held the post of Staff Secretary of the Cambridge Student Christian Movement, a post which he relinquished upon appointment as Dean of the College in 1951. (The Reverend William Telfer, then Master, was Dean of Chapel.) He was able and willing to share in the interests of junior members. A former president of the University Mummers Society, Johns combined knowledge of Church drama with an interest in theatrical production. He was senior treasurer of the College Dramatic Society and produced a series of religious plays in which a number of Selwyn members took part. On leaving the College, Johns was presented with a travelling clock, a token of how much his relationship with the junior members was appreciated.

In 1953 he moved to become chaplain of Barnard Castle School, County Durham. There he taught Divinity and History, was responsible for a number of school stage productions, and from 1956 to 1964 was also a housemaster. The school magazine describes him as a careful and intelligent pastor in both the roles of chaplain and housemaster, and as a teacher who approached his subjects as, above all, matters of human (rather than purely academic) concern. He worked at St George's School, Harpenden from 1964 to 1969, when he was appointed vicar of Great Wymondley with Little Wymondley, Hertfordshire. In 1981 he retired to Tivetshall St Margaret in Norfolk.

The Reverend Dudley Johns died at Saffron Walden on 15 February 2008 at the age of 98.

*We are grateful to his stepson Peter Jones, his god-daughter Helen Griffiths, and David Ewart, Headmaster of Barnard Castle School, for sending information for this obituary.*

### **S J L King (SE 1954-7)**

Stuart King attended Chigwell Grammar School before coming up to Selwyn in 1954. He read Theology and Music.

He was ordained deacon at Exeter in 1959 and entered the priesthood the following year. He ministered at the Ascension Church, Crownhill, Plymouth, and then at Broadbridge Heath, Horsham, and St Mark's, Ford, Plymouth. He was appointed canon pastor and canon residentiary at Coventry Cathedral in 1977, and from 1985 was vicar of All Saints', Tooting. Owing to ill health, he retired in April 1996 to Landrake, Saltmarsh. In retirement he attended services at Crownhill whenever possible.

He always helped the disadvantaged, and his love of music brought much happiness to many people over the years.

The Reverend Canon Stuart King died on 18 December 2007, at the age of 74.

*We are grateful to his sister-in-law Betty King for sending us information for this obituary.*

### **K J Morgan (SE 1933-6)**

*His son the Right Reverend Christopher H Morgan writes:*

Kenneth James Morgan (whose own father James had been at Selwyn in the 1890s) was at the College from 1933 to 1936. His degree was in Forestry and he was also a keen oarsman. He was a member of the winning Fairbairn Cup Eight in 1936 – and took pleasure in the display of his oar through subsequent years!



Kenneth went on to ordination in the Church of England in 1938 and, after curacies in Brighton, saw wartime service as an RAF chaplain. He was the first post-war Anglican chaplain in Oslo and then served parishes in Blacklands, Hastings and Bath, Lower Western St John (combined with chaplaincy at the adjacent group of four hospitals). He was finally – and happily – the vicar of Shalford, near Guildford, from 1966 to 1984.

Kenneth married Barbara Champion in 1941 and they had one son, Christopher. Following his wife's cancer-related death he married Eleanor Wilkinson in 1955 and a further son, Timothy, was born. Kenneth coped bravely with near-blindness for nearly twenty years and was wonderfully cared for by Eleanor. He was patient and good-humoured in most circumstances, but following gradually failing health he died on Good Friday, 21 March 2008. He would have been 94 in October. He is survived by Eleanor, his two sons, two grandchildren, and many happy memories. His time at Selwyn, too, was always positively remembered.

### L Richards (SE 1931-4)

*John Ramster (SE 1958-61) writes:*

Llewelyn ('Dick') Richards came up to Selwyn in 1931 from Oswestry School and took a degree in History. He died on 28 September 2007 at the age of 95 and to the end enjoyed his regular doses of *Private Eye* and *New Statesman*. His wife Marjorie died seven weeks before Dick, aged 93.

Dick was a teacher all his working life and in 1953 was asked to look after A-Level History and Economics courses, amongst other roles, at the Grimsby Wintringham Boys' Grammar School. At the start of the very first Economics period ever taught there he told us that now that we were sixth-formers things were different, and we must take much more responsibility for all aspects of our work than hitherto. He then asked, 'What is money?' and went round the group of three asking each in turn to provide a definition. I remember the moment so distinctly. 'What kind of a question was that?' I thought. Scales dropped from my eyes almost as it was asked. There we were, sitting round a table, and a revolution in my mindset happened. I had chosen to do both Economics and History and after about six weeks Dick took me to one side and suggested that I should apply for a place at Selwyn, his old College. I have no idea why he made this suggestion to me and not the others and, throughout my three years in the Sixth, I had no real idea what the implications were: no one else in the family had ever been educated outside Grimsby or beyond the age of 15. How many people Dick helped in this way no one will ever know, but I thought it worth recording publicly that it happened to at least one person and that Dick's simple act changed a life beyond all recognition.

Dick and Marjorie had some troubled years in Grimsby because their only daughter contracted leukaemia at a young age and died. To help ease the pain they moved in 1954 to Ilkeston in Derbyshire where he took a headship at Bennerley Secondary Modern School. Dick and Marjorie retired to Wrabness in Essex in 1976, where his gardening prowess, already well established in Ilkeston, became legendary and his garden was seen in the village as a paradise. Gardening tips and cuttings were always available. From the first, too, he became involved with the local Workers' Educational Association activities, a movement that he supported all his life.

I can think of no better epitaph for Dick than to adapt George Eliot's view of Dorothea at the end of *Middlemarch*: 'The effect of *his* being on those around *him* was incalculably diffusive'.

I am grateful to Peter Richards, his son, for providing details of Dick's career and family life.

### **G Ridley (SE 1939-41)**

Gordon Ridley, born on 1 November 1921, came up to Selwyn in 1939 from Cowley Secondary School, St Helens. He was elected to an Exhibition for Mechanical Sciences and took a First. In 1941 he was attached to the Admiralty for wireless experimental work; his BA was conferred in 1942.

He worked in the Borough Engineer's Department at Middlesbrough, Bootle and Battersea in the 1940s and 1950s. By the early 1960s he was Chief Engineer (Bridges) in the London County Council Engineer's Department. Under his supervision the structural work on some of the LCC's highway schemes was designed, including the A3 Tibbetts Corner underpass and improvements to the Inner Ring Road across the north side of central London. With the advent of the Greater London Council in 1965, Ridley was appointed Chief Engineer (Traffic) and he took over responsibility both for major improvements to the capital's existing highway system and also for the planning of the proposed Ringway system – an urban motorway system for the Greater London area. Although the latter scheme encountered major opposition, sections to the north and south of the Blackwall Tunnel were eventually constructed. He was awarded the OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours, 1980. On grounds of ill health, Ridley retired as Director of Planning and Transportation at the GLC in 1984.

Gordon Ridley died in 2006.

*We are grateful to his colleague Phil Sulley (SE 1955-8) for sending us information for this obituary.*

### **K P I Timmis (SE 1952-5)**

*T J Woodfin (SE 1950-3) writes:*

At school, College and in the submarine service of the Royal Navy, Ian Timmis, remembered as 'Mr Fixit', quickly established a reputation for ingenuity and inventiveness. He was descended from an inventive grandfather and his father was also an engineer and member of the Magic Circle. He brought to his work enthusiasm and dedication, with the strongest sense of reliability and responsibility – a practical, 'hands on' engineer and an innovative leader of skilled technicians in the naval profession.

Ian's graduation in Mechanical Sciences was most relevant to his career as a sea-going submariner and respected nuclear propulsion engineer. He brought a fresh approach to meet major technological advances in ship- and shore-based installations. He used his skills to develop a training methodology with an appropriate simulator (FASMAT), which also found application in the training of civilian reactor operators.

He served on Britain's first nuclear submarine, *HMS Dreadnought*, and on loan to the US Navy in a nuclear submarine that penetrated below the North Pole. He 'stood by' the construction and sea trials of *HMS Renown*, a ballistic-weapon-armed nuclear vessel. Thus he significantly contributed to the UK nuclear reactor programme and to the effectiveness of our deterrent forces.

In retirement he was a consultant with John Brown Shipbuilders and, while the Cold War continued, advised the Government and local authorities on the effects and containment of nuclear strikes and potential nuclear accidents.

From his Cambridge time onwards he maintained an interest in jazz music – he was an enthusiastic drummer – and in theatre, having at one time supported Footlights with stage electrics. He played and supported a wide range of sports, especially sailing.

A thinking, sensible and sociable man, with ever-present humour, well he served his country, his sailors and, not least, his family.

Commander Kenneth Peter Ian Timmis died on 27 March 2008, following a long illness with Alzheimer's disease.

### **L J Turner (SE 1946-8)**

*His sister Eveline Turner writes:*

My late brother Jim Turner was a man of many talents. Born in October 1923, these talents were developed at the Beckenham County School for Boys, where he excelled in Latin and Greek. He learnt to play the oboe with their school orchestra. He also loved art, producing some beautiful calligraphic manuscripts.

He won a state scholarship to Cambridge but was called up for National Service and served approximately three years in the Fleet Air Arm working on the early development of radar. On demobilization he took up his scholarship at Selwyn. He took up rowing and was very proud of his College oar. In that post-war period there were very few opportunities for a career in Classics, so he was advised to read French and Spanish instead.

Upon graduation he accepted employment at the Inland Revenue, with whom he spent all his working life until retirement in 1983. He was never really inspired by this work but valued its reasonable income, regular hours and annual leave that allowed him to pursue his many other interests.

He became a Freemason and spent fifty years in the United Grand Lodge of England, serving as Master of the Authors' Lodge on more than one occasion. Music was his life's passion. He joined various orchestras and bands, playing the oboe, cor anglais and oboe d'amore. He loved Renaissance music and also played the lute and virginals. He formed a private sextet of wind instrumentalists who met at his home for many years.

In 1963 he moved to Borough Green, Kent, and set about creating a unique home and garden. He was a very generous host and gave much pleasure to his many guests, including an annual strawberry garden party for the Maidstone Prison Visitors for which he will be long remembered. He was a prison visitor for many decades and secretary of the Maidstone Prison Visitors Association. He had great compassion for the prisoners, faithfully visited those allocated to him, and helped with the prison's music and art departments. On his retirement he studied Turkish; he was interested in Turkish culture and visited the country several times. He assisted several Turkish students who were studying in England. Jim participated fully in local activities in Borough Green and offered practical help with Toc H and musical activities at the Church of the Good Shepherd, where his memorial service in September 2007 was very well attended.

During his last few years his health and eyesight were steadily deteriorating, but he really enjoyed his visits to Cambridge to meet old friends. He was most disappointed that he was too ill to attend the College reunion as planned in the summer of 2007. Instead he was admitted to a local nursing home shortly before he died on 10 August 2007. His ashes are now scattered on an acre of dedicated Woodland Trust territory on the Hucking Estate, Hollingbourne, with a seat in a beautiful site overlooking the Weald of Kent, which he loved. This is open at any time for those who wish to visit, as he is sadly missed by his very many friends.

## F L Tyler (SE 1941-42)

Born in 1923, Pat Tyler was educated at St Albans School, winning an exhibition to Selwyn to read English in 1941. Like many of his generation, his university education was interrupted by the Second World War, during which he served as Lieutenant in the Royal Corps of Signals in France, Belgium and Germany. Unlike most 22 year olds he gained special leave to return early to fight his parliamentary election for the Labour Party in Knutsford in 1945.

He had discovered politics whilst at Cambridge, becoming Chairman of the University Labour Club, and for nearly seventy years he was to serve the party in a variety of voluntary roles and posts, including Leader of the Labour Group on the Hendon and Barnet Councils for sixteen years. Although he was one of the youngest candidates at the 1945 election, he was never to fight another parliamentary election as career and family responsibilities took over.

In 1946 he graduated in Law and met Mary Southcombe, whom he married in 1947. He lived virtually his whole married life in the same house in Hampstead Garden Suburb where they raised four children and he became a pillar of the local community. He maintained and ran a local tennis court and was a board member of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust Committee.

Called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn, Pat's professional career took him first to the Mirror Group as Deputy Legal Manager from 1947 to 1959 and then to Express Newspapers where he spent nearly thirty years as Legal Manager and eventually Company Secretary and Pensions Director.

His hinterland was his family and golf, at which he excelled. He was a much-valued member of Hendon Golf Club becoming Captain in 1974 and, from 2000-2005, Chairman. On his retirement he enjoyed participating in the Manor House Hospital Operatic Society, and had many visits to his house in the Dordogne where, again, he was welcomed by the local community.

His daughter, Liz, writes: 'He came a long way in his successful life, extrovert by nature, if a little eccentric, charming, a man of great vitality, a great dancer and speech maker with a real commitment to public service and justice. He neither sought nor received any honour or public recognition but left an indelible imprint on those who knew him.'

Pat Tyler died on 11 June 2008, and his funeral was held ten days later at the Golders Green Unitarian Church. He leaves behind his wife Mary, their four children, nine grandchildren and one great grandchild.

*We are grateful to his wife, Mary, and daughters Elizabeth and Caroline, for providing information for this obituary.*

## A A Williams (SE 1928-32)

*His son Ronnie Williams (SE 1961-4) writes:*

Arthur Williams was born at Waterloo in Lancashire on 16 May 1910. He was educated first at Merchant Taylors' School, Crosby. At Selwyn he gained a Double First in History. Too young in 1931 to enter the Home Civil Service, he therefore applied to join the Indian Civil Service. He passed out first among all the candidates for the ICS and the Eastern Cadetships, winning the Bhonagar Medal for distinction in Indian languages.

He elected to serve in the Punjab and to work within the executive and administrative branch of the service. He adhered to the strong belief that good and firm government, assisted by excellence in administration, would most reliably deliver the stability and social order which would allow the communities under his charge to prosper. Between 1933 and 1945 he served in the districts of Rawalpindi, Jullunder and Attock, and in the latter year was appointed Deputy Commissioner for Lahore. In 1945 he was awarded the OBE for his services to India and in 1946 was promoted to the post of Home Secretary of the Punjab. But the situation in India was deteriorating fast. The Punjab in particular, because the different religious communities were geographically intermingled, soon became a battleground between Muslims and Sikhs, with massacre and looting on a large scale. Arthur Williams's memoir includes graphic descriptions of the last days, and like many of his ICS contemporaries, he considered that the way in which the British scuttled out of India amounted to a betrayal of the people who had trusted them for safe governance.

Returning to Britain, he joined the Colonial Service and was posted to Nigeria in 1948, where he spent the next three years engaged primarily in revising the Nigerian constitution to meet the complex requirements of a developing country with a large population of diverse tribes and religions. The experience was invaluable when in 1952 he was posted to Singapore as Administration Secretary, where he was again asked to supervise the organization and administration of a new constitution, adopted in 1955. He incorporated much of his experience into a monograph, *Administrative Adjustment of a Colonial Government to Meet Constitutional Change*, which remained the authoritative treatise on the subject and won him first prize in the Royal Institute of Public Administration's Haldane Essay Competition. He became Permanent Secretary to the Government of Singapore, returning finally to Britain when full Singaporean independence was agreed in 1957.

Recalling the attractions of a university setting, in 1958 he became Bursar and Fellow of The Queen's College, Oxford. He held the post for twenty years and completed some significant improvements to buildings and undergraduate accommodation. He was also elected Chairman of the Oxford Estates Bursars' Committee. However, in many things he remained true to his Cambridge roots (particularly at Varsity matches). He visited Selwyn on numerous occasions and was President of the Selwyn Association in 1978-9.

After retirement in 1978 he lived quietly in Oxford until he was widowed in 1992 and moved close to his family in Hampshire. In his last years he bore the afflictions of blindness and failing hearing with fortitude. He died on 18 November aged 97.

### **K J Willoughby (SE 1941)**

*His daughter Patricia Bass writes:*

My father Kenneth Willoughby was born in 1922 and entered the Civil Service aged 17. In 1940 he passed a special Army exam as a candidate for a commission in the Royal Engineers. He undertook training at Ripon and Aldershot and spent six months in 1941 at Selwyn College. I know he valued the privilege of this time at Cambridge, albeit short. He counted himself fortunate to have had this opportunity and, as a result, he always felt very fond of Selwyn and grateful to it.

War service with the Royal Engineers took him to North Africa, Sicily and Italy with the 8<sup>th</sup> Army. He took part in building the longest Bailey bridge in the world and fought at the Fourth Battle of Monte Cassino. In 1945 he was promoted to Captain and spent the latter part of 1945 and 1946 in Austria, Italy and Greece until his discharge. He was mentioned in dispatches in recognition of gallant and distinguished service in Italy during 1944.

After the war he returned to the Civil Service and was promoted eventually to Under Secretary in 1968, having worked in the Inland Revenue, Ministry of Civil Aviation, Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Technology, Department of Trade and Industry, and the Property Services Agency.

He retired in 1979 and moved from Surrey to Devon. His wife Vera died in 2005 after nearly sixty-three years of marriage. He is survived by his children Colin and Patricia, granddaughters Sarah and Nicola, and great grandchildren Alanna and Harry.

We also note with regret the passing of the following members for whose life and influence we give thanks, and for whom we have no obituary. We are always grateful to receive material or suggestions for obituaries from relatives and friends.

SE 1931 C C Webster  
SE 1932 D E Wheatley  
SE 1933 R Adamson  
SE 1934 J S Phillips  
SE 1937 F L Somers  
SE 1938 C E L Overton  
SE 1940 H Mayman  
SE 1941 S E G Toy  
SE 1943 J K Gillespie  
SE 1943 I S McTaggart  
SE 1943 R K Pinhey  
SE 1946 D J Thompson  
SE 1947 A J M Bird  
SE 1948 R G C Browning  
SE 1949 A J Adams  
SE 1949 N C Jones  
SE 1952 A N Armstrong  
SE 1953 R M Newland  
SE 1958 C I Howells  
SE 1958 D H Perkins  
SE 1958 J A Miller  
SE 1965 M G Atley  
SE 1966 M Zdravkovich