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THE MASTER'S FOREWORD

I must begin with the three deaths that have overshadowed recent months at Selwyn. We lost our beloved former Master, Owen Chadwick, in his hundredth year; his wife, Ruth, who had also contributed so much to Selwyn; and William Brock, one of the great academic characters of the College, who passed away in his ninety-ninth year. At a time of sadness, there was some consolation in the way that Owen and William had remained such conspicuous members of Selwyn until the end. William presided at a dinner in College less than a month before he died, and Owen visited the Lodge for his 99th birthday party in May. He enchanted us all over again with his presence, and he took pleasure in touring the house to see the recent changes that had been made. It was particularly delightful to have Owen's children with him in the place in which they grew up, and it emphasises the strength of our community in times like these. We owe a huge debt to Owen and Ruth, and to William.

What was striking about the obituaries of Owen, apart from his academic eminence and his personal charisma, was the emphasis on the way that he had changed Selwyn. During his Mastership, we achieved full Collegiate status, were one of the first Colleges to admit women, trebled the number of Fellows and rose in the academic league tables: what was rightly described as a 'transformation' in the College's fortunes.

It is a reminder that we should value our traditions, but innovation is in our bloodstream and we have to be an institution that is fully attuned to the challenges of 2015 and beyond. It is a daily joy for me to share the energy and optimism of our students and Fellows, and to see the work going on in Selwyn and across Cambridge that leads the world in the sciences and the humanities. We must plan to remain a global leader in education and research. That's why we have renewed our commitment at Selwyn to academic excellence, with James Keeler passing on the baton as senior tutor to Mike Sewell. It's why we're strengthening our teaching and why we're so pleased when the exam results come in with an array of Firsts and University prizes. This year's highlights include: Ben Andrews (Part IIB Economics) who won the Adam Smith Dissertation Prize, and was second overall in the Tripos; Sam Clayton (Part II Architecture) who was awarded the Edward S Prior Prize, and also came second in the Tripos; and the Gordan Wiggan Prize went to Digory Smith (Part III Chemistry) for a distinguished performance (third overall) along with the Unilever Prize for the best Physical Chemistry project.

But we don't want to produce a generation of exam-passing automatons. Sometimes, the students who get the best Firsts are also among our most active citizens. Chloe Allison got a starred First in Music, and was top of the Tripos, while also singing four days a week in the Choir; taking part in public performances as an accomplished clarinettist and recorder player; and captaining the University women's cricket team. She is part of an illustrious Selwyn cohort of Blues. Katie Holmes was President of the Cambridge women's rugby team, which beat Oxford 47-0; Frances Lee-Barber will be next year's captain of netball; and Charlotte Burrows will lead the University hockey team in 2015-16. We were delighted that our PhD student Hannah Evans was a member of the Cambridge crew that took part in the first women's Boat Race to be rowed on the Tideway in London. She then went off to work on the Hadron Collider, as physicists do. Our men have tried to keep up with the pace set by Selwyn women: the football team won the Cuppers plate, and it was a good year for rugby too.

The arts are flourishing. Our wonderful choir are building a reputation through live performance at home and abroad, and in recordings which include a CD for Christmas. The Selwyn senior organ scholar John Bachelor used a break from the keyboards, caused by RSI, to form a vocal close harmony group to entertain the Music Society – and he was another of the musicians to get a First. Our first-year English student Lola Olufemi won appreciative reviews for her performance as Othello in a gender-challenging production at the ADC Theatre. PhD student Clare Walker-Gore will broadcast on Radio 3 in the coming year after being chosen as one of the BBC's New Generation Thinkers for her work on disability in Victorian literature.

You will spot in this that many of our women are doing conspicuously well. This is particularly cheering as we plan our celebrations of 40 years of co-education, which will take place across the calendar year 2016. When women students were admitted in the Chadwick era, it was the biggest change to the College since its foundation; and we will be saluting the pioneers as well as keeping an eye on the challenges that remain for women in all walks of life. I mentioned in the last Calendar that we wanted to increase the number of women Fellows at Selwyn, and I'm pleased to report that since I wrote that – and by the time you read this – we will have admitted to the Fellowship six excellent new women. Seven equally strong men have joined us too; but this is another sign that the barriers of gender are being broken down, and people can succeed whoever they are and whatever their background.

In everything the College does, the support of our alumni and alumnae is hugely valued. Candidly, we will not be able to achieve our ambitions unless we continue to increase the financial support we receive. I have enjoyed our reunions in Cambridge and our expanding programme of events in London, but we're determined to strengthen our worldwide community too. We had a successful new event in Geneva this year, with a dozen Swiss-based alumni joining me and our development director for dinner; and we want to develop further our relationships in Europe. This supplements the activity that has taken me to New York, Hong Kong and Tokyo in the past couple of years. I also wanted to underline our commitment to the college choir, and our wish to make it better known among the University community and beyond, which is why I joined the choir's itinerary in Seattle and British Columbia along with a spirited reunion in San Francisco. We're grateful to the donors who supported the trip and to Cambridge in America for inviting University alumni in the region to hear the concerts.

This is part of making sure that we both do the right things and that the outside world knows what we're up to. Selwynites have broadcast in the past year on everything from 'The Truth About Fat' on BBC One to 'The Week In Westminster' on Radio 4, with 'Today', 'Woman's Hour', and Radio 5 Live along the way. I suspect it was also a first for the College to have a live video broadcast on the BBC News Channel courtesy of an iPad propped up on the desk in the Master's Lodge. There is an easy line here about how the Fellowship and our students are constantly seeking new ideas in a traditional setting, but I won't labour it. What we would like, above all, is for you to come back to see us and experience the buzz there is about the place, and to want to be part of securing the College's future. There is a very significant task ahead, but it is one that is exhilarating and that we take on in the spirit of the great figures in our history.

Roger Mosey

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THE MASTER, FELLOWS AND BYE-FELLOWS

* denotes Directors of Studies

The Visitor

The Most Reverend and Right Honourable the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury

The Master

Mr Roger Mosey

The Vice-Master

Dr Michael Tilby

The Bursar

Mr Nick Downer

The Senior Tutor

Dr James Keeler, *University Senior Lecturer in Chemistry*

Archaeology & Anthropology

Dr Uradyn Bulag, *Reader in Social Anthropology*

Asian & Middle Eastern Studies

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

Chemical Engineering

Professor John Dennis, *Professor of Chemical Reaction Engineering**

Classics

Dr Rupert Thompson, *University Lecturer in Classical Philology and Linguistics**

Computer Science

Dr Richard Watts, *Bye-Fellow**

Economics

Dr Giorgos Kolios, *College Lecturer in Economics**

Dr Björn Wallace, *University Lecturer in Economics*

Engineering

Professor Stewart Cant, *Professor of Computational Engineering**

Professor Daping Chu, *Director of Research, Department of Engineering**

Mr James Matheson, *Head, IT Services Division, Department of Engineering**

Dr James Moultrie, *University Senior Lecturer in Design Management**

English

Dr Jamie Baxendine, *Centenary Research Fellow in English*

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

Dr Bonnie Lander-Johnson, *College Lecturer in English**

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

History

Dr Chris Briggs, *University Lecturer in Medieval British Social and Economic History**

Dr Emily Charnock, *Keasbey Research Fellow in American Studies*

Dr Eoin Devlin, *Bye-Fellow and British Academy Post-doctoral Fellow*

Dr Mike Sewell, *University Lecturer in History and International Relations, Institute of Continuing Education*

Dr David Smith, *College Lecturer in History**

Human, Social and Political Sciences

Professor Patrick Baert, *Professor of Social Theory**

Dr Uradyn Bulag, *Reader in Social Anthropology*

Dr Filipe Carreira da Silva, *Affiliated Lecturer in Sociology*

Dr Lauren Wilcox, *University Lecturer in Gender Studies*

Law

Dr Asif Hameed, *Spencer-Fairest Fellow and College Lecturer in Law*

Dr Janet O'Sullivan, *University Senior Lecturer in Law**

Management Studies

Dr Chander Velu, *University Lecturer in Economics of Industrial Systems**

Mathematics

Dr Anita Briginshaw, *College Lecturer in Mathematics**

Dr Jack Button, *College Lecturer in Pure Mathematics**

Dr Nikos Nikiforakis, *Director (Academic Programmes), Centre for Scientific Computing**

Medical Sciences

Dr John Benson, *Consultant Breast Surgeon, Addenbrooke's Hospital**

Dr Gavin Jarvis, *University Lecturer in Veterinary Anatomy*

Dr Roddy O'Donnell, *Consultant Paediatric Intensivist, Addenbrooke's Hospital**

Dr Paul Upton, *Bye-Fellow*

Modern & Medieval Languages

Dr Bryan Cameron, *University Lecturer in Spanish*

Dr Angeles Carreres, *Bye-Fellow and University Senior Language Teaching Officer in Spanish*

Dr Elena Filimonova, *Bye-Fellow in Russian*

Dr Michael Tilby, *College Lecturer in French**

Dr Heather Webb, *University Lecturer in Italian*

Dr David Willis, *Reader in Historical Linguistics**

Dr Charlotte Woodford, *College Lecturer in German**

Music

Dr Alan Howard, *College Lecturer in Music**
 Ms Sarah MacDonald, *Director of Music in Chapel*

Natural Sciences

Dr Daniel Beauregard, *Research Associate, Department of Chemical Engineering**
 Dr Rosie Bolton, *College Lecturer in Physics and Mathematics for Natural Sciences**
 Professor Nicholas Butterfield, *Professor of Evolutionary Palaeobiology**
 Professor Bill Clegg, *Professor of Materials Science**
 Dr Paul Elliott, *Bye-Fellow in Zoology*
 Dr Fabian Grabenhorst, *University Research Fellow in Neuroscience*
 Dr Marta Halina, *University Lecturer in Philosophy of Psychology and Cognitive Science*
 Dr James Keeler, *University Senior Lecturer in Chemistry*
 Dr Amer Rana, *British Heart Foundation Lecturer in Regenerative Medicine, Addenbrooke's Hospital*
 Dr Stewart Sage, *Reader in Cell Physiology**
 Professor Jeremy Sanders, *Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Head of the School of Physical Sciences, and Professor of Chemistry*
 Dr Yu Ye, *Henslow Research Fellow in Biophysics*

Psychological and Behavioural Science

Dr Marta Halina, *University Lecturer in Philosophy of Psychology and Cognitive Science**

Theology

Dr Andrew Chester, *Reader in Early Jewish and Christian Thought**
 Professor David Ford, *Regius Professor of Divinity*
 The Revd Canon Hugh Shilson-Thomas, *Dean of Chapel and Chaplain*

Veterinary Medicine

Mr Stuart Eves, *Veterinary Surgeon**

Other Fellows and Bye-Fellows

Mr Jon Beard, *Bye-Fellow and Director of Undergraduate Recruitment, Cambridge Admissions Office*
 Mr Peter Fox, *University Librarian Emeritus*
 Mr Mike Nicholson, *College Director of Development and Alumni Relations*

Lectors

Clémence Fourton (French)
 Margarete Tiessen (German)

FELLOWS IN CLASS E

The Revd Professor Owen Chadwick†
 Sir David Harrison
 Professor Richard Bowring
 Professor William Brock†
 Professor John Spencer
 Dr Tony Hillier†
 Mr Ken Coutts
 Dr Robert Harding
 Professor John Morrill
 Dr Mike Young
 Dr Andrew Jones

HONORARY FELLOWS

The Right Revd Robert Hardy
 Sir David Lumsden
 Sir Alistair MacFarlane
 Dr Christopher Johnson
 Sir David K P Li
 Dr Gordon Johnson
 Mr John Chown
 Sir Peter Williams
 The Right Revd and Right Hon the Lord Harries of Pentregarth
 Professor Ian Clark

VISITING BYE-FELLOW

Professor Fei Xing (Tsinghua University, Beijing)

SCHOLARSHIPS, PRIZES AND AWARDS**Elected to the title of Scholar, July 2015**

Architecture
 Computer Science
 Classics

English
 History
 History

Professor David Newland
 Dr Jean Chothia
 Professor Ken Wallace
 Dr Robin Hesketh
 Professor John Ray
 Professor David Holton
 Dr Mi a Pani
 Dr Robert Whitaker
 Dr David Chivers
 Professor Sir Colin Humphreys
 Dr Mike Taussig
 Mrs Haruko Laurie

Sir Stephen Wall
 Dr Christopher Dobson
 Professor April McMahon
 The Most Revd and Right Hon Dr John Sentamu
 Professor Ruth J Simmons
 Professor Vivian Nutton
 Mr Robert Harris
 Mr Hugh Laurie
 General Sir Peter Wall
 Professor Sir Adrian Smith
 Mr Robert Winston Humphrey Cripps

S I Clayton
 J A B Thompson
 E C Bryce
 H L Warwicker
 C R Elliston
 J Caines
 J W Sutton

Law	I R Cooper
Management Studies	S R Roberts
Natural Sciences	L A M Bortolozzo
	H V M Griffith
	A E Beattie
Politics, Psychology & Sociology	N C Ayed

Elected or re-elected to a Scholarship, July 2015

Architecture	C L Burrows
Asian and Middle Eastern Studies	A F Ellis-Rees
Economics	L E Chua
	D J P Jollans
	K Krishnamurti
	T A Rutter
	Y Zhang
Engineering	G Kumar
	L Li
	O T Oluwole
	A J R Smith
	A Ali
	D Madrideojos
	F J W Newman
	H C H Sloper
	P E Boothroyd
	L D Moscrop
	B Poh
English	M J Hood
	A L Wickenden
Geography	E G T Flaherty
Human, Social and Political Sciences	M S H Ching
	M V Wells
	A-S Monck
Land Economy	A S Dhillon
Law	A E Clarke
	G S H Hughes
	S Y W Koh
Mathematics	E T Smith
	M E Hill
Medical and Veterinary Sciences	M O Lettis
	G Y Tang
	S A Webb
	S M Brackley
	J Gao
Modern Languages	C R Watts

Music

Natural Sciences

Philosophy

Psychological and Behavioural Sciences

[The Editors regret the omission from the list of Scholars elected in 2014 that was published in last year's *Calendar*: H E Amos (Modern Languages) and F F Scarr (Modern Languages).]

Elected to an Exhibition, July 2015

Modern Languages

Named Prizes

Adams (Engineering)
 Ball/1987 (Engineering)
 Borradaile (Zoology)
 Siddans (Physics)
 Seraphim (Biochemistry)
 Baxter (Chemistry)
 Braybrook (Natural Sciences)
 Harrison (Engineering, Part IA)
 Hargreaves (Medicine)
 Hargreaves (Chemical Engineering)

H E Amos
 F F Scarr
 J D Bachelor
 E H Bate
 R J P Sturge
 N J Collins
 M J Sullivan
 Z Duan
 N C Taylor
 J D Wiles
 C J M Yip
 E N Bassey
 J S Fuge
 H C Lamotte
 E M K Macnab
 C D Moylan
 P D Sansom
 B W Wood
 M D Worssam
 T R Baron
 P G A Sammut
 J M Carr
 S E Friend

T A M Taplin

A Ali
 L R J Carter
 A E Beattie
 D J Broder-Rodgers
 C J M Yip
 D T Smith
 A E Beattie and J R Heseltine
 B Poh
 G Y Tang
 Not awarded

Hargreaves (Veterinary Medicine)
Searle (Mathematics)
Scrubby (Natural Sciences, Part IA or IB)
Melbourne

Haworth-Gray (Theology)
Sing (Classics)
Whitehead (History)
Gilbert (Modern Languages)

Fairest (Law)
Steers (Archaeology or Law)
(Law)
Cross (Economics)
Sanders (English)

Matsumoto-Bowring (Japanese)
Tony Bland (Music)
Appleton (Chapel Reading)
Edith Ray (Vocal Award)
Roe (Musical Performance)
Grace Reading

College Prizes, July 2015

Classics
Modern Languages

Postgraduate Prizes, July 2015

Clinical Veterinary Medicine

Powrie Scholarship for Engineering

G Kumar

Imber-Lloyd (Tallow Chandlers) Awards

I R Cooper
E E Wigham

Not awarded
S J Patching
N C Taylor and C J M Yip
N C Ayed (Psychological and
Behavioural Sciences)
S I Clayton (Architecture)
J A B Thompson (Computer Science)
Not awarded
E C Bryce
C E Lockwood
H E Amos
C R Watts
J W Lee
A E Clarke (Law) and G S H Hughes

B C Andrews
C R Elliston
M J Hood
N G Sinclair
C N Allison
J E Snodgrass
D J Booer
C N Allison
Not awarded

E M Kosse
M M Hine

E R Kerr
H K Mathie

Christopher Johnson Awards

D W J Bennett
R M Cadman

Williamson Prize for Musical Performance

There were no entrants.

Tom Cordiner Travel Bursary

P J Lennon
Awards from the Fund were also made to J A N Pitts and C J S Nye.

MUSIC AWARDS, 2014–2015

Organ Scholars

J D Bachelor (senior)
S M Hart (junior)

Choral Exhibitioners

New Elections

C N Allison
J J Cleary
J E Snodgrass
R J P Sturge
S E Usher

Re-elected

E H Bate
D J Booer
L A Caines
C F Cooper
D C Rice

Instrumental Exhibitioners

New Elections

R Fargas i Castells (viola)

Re-elected

D W J Bennett (bassoon)
R N Whiteman ('cello)]

CRAIG SCHOLARSHIPS/STUDENTSHIPS 2014–2015

J C Travers (for graduate study at Brown)
M A Sherman (for graduate study at Selwyn)

DEGREES CONFERRED

The College congratulates the following members who have taken Cambridge degrees between October 2014 and July 2015:

PhD

R T Alexander
C Beghi
M J Bostock
B J W Buckley
R J Cartwright
J Cormack
F Cunningham
M Deneckere
D N Gorman
F Grabenhorst
B C Gray
S J Gregson
J Hatfield
R M F Inglis
J C S Justinussen
A C Koch
A Koutsoukas
S E McGowan
X Mei
S E Mengler
A Omu
V E R Parker
I Pells
H Pous Romero
A G Sanger
C-P Segeritz
K F Steward
N Theodorakis
R F Torella
G Tse
Q Zhao

MRes

A C Funnell
M Gallego Llorente

W Gee
V C Shaw
M Wlodarski

MPhil

A H Ahamed Hussain
A A Avramenko
T A Bonaccorso
P J Browne
B I Coffey
S J Cole
K A Deutsch
S Dhir
K Dodds
H Doyle
L Garmeson
N M Greenfield
G High
R M F Inglis
A R Jitendra
N J Jones
F Karstens
A I Kim
M S Llewellyn-Jones
H Mack
M Maurer
B Nelson
D R Nurullayev
V S K Pattapu
I Pells
C Qin
E C A Rack
L E Reynolds
J E Stamp-Simon
K Terpoy
A H Thomas
B Tsuda

E L Variot
M J Vaughan
D B West
L Wutschitz
L Zweig

BA, MMath

S J Patching

MASt

S R J F Clark
J Cruz Rojas
F L Hiesmayr
M A Sherman
D P Watson

BA, MEng

R M Cadman
L R J Carter
T P Chappell
I A Fayyaz
K M Holmes
D T Illankone
I Z Mohamed
A R Pradhan
J B Yarwood

MBA

P D Knowles
H Takaoka

BA, MSci

D W J Bennett
D J Booer
L A M Bortolozzo
N E Bricknell
D J Broder-Rodgers
H V M Griffith
Z Mao
A Martin Kelly
A Pachyna

D T Smith
S Yang

MSt

C Austin
N H S Boubllil
F-G Lanitou Williams
MB

M J Cox
O J Lucas
C C Seneschall

BChir

N Arunagiri
D R Atkinson
L A Humphreys
J Pakpoor
S F Smith
J Y-X L Than

VetMB

E N Blyth
E Kerr
H K Mathie
E E Wigham

BA

M M M Abdelaziz
S E Abraham
K Adam Pandian
D R Alam
C N Allison
B C Andrews
R P Ashbourne
J R Ashby
N C Ayed
B Azizi
R Badev
S N Bale
A E Beattie

J D Beilby
 A M B Browne
 E C Bryce
 J Caines
 L A Caines
 S I Clayton
 A J Cook
 I R Cooper
 E R Coulter
 M S Draper
 O C Dundon
 L M Durkan
 D H M Eastment
 C R Elliston
 L Esmail
 T Ethunandan
 E R Faldon
 S D Ford
 J M Foster
 R D Grace
 H P Graham
 A Greatrick
 Z M Grzeskiewicz
 R L G Haggie
 G S Harcombe
 J R Heseltine
 Z R L Howe
 N C Jarman
 M F Jensen
 T R Jones
 D M Kane
 L R Kerr
 N Ladak
 H D Lambert
 J W Lee
 S E Lee
 C E Lockwood
 M Lu
 R C Mansfield
 R C Mason
 H E Miller
 S G Nipps
 C J S Nye
 D A Parke
 K C Patel

A K Pathak
 T A Pearson
 H L Quinn
 S V Raithatha
 T F Ren
 A D Rex
 S R Roberts
 R M Scott
 F M Seaton
 N G Sinclair
 J E Snodgrass
 W G Spencer
 E B Stirk
 J W Sutton
 J A B Thompson
 S L Thornton
 F D Tomlinson
 H Wardle
 H L Warwicker
 R N Whiteman
 S J Whyatt
 L D Wigham
 M T Winchester
 C P Winfield
 A C J Wood
 C J Worrall
 G J C Wu

BTh

G W Atha
 C Snyder
 A C Smith

NEW MEMBERS IN RESIDENCE: POSTGRADUATES

Avramenko, Alexander Alexandrovich, King's College London: Materials Science
 Azizi, Afnan, University of Ottawa, Canada: Developmental Biology
 Barr, Matthew John Alexander, Selwyn College: Education
 Bobbette, Adam W, McGill University: Geography
 Burley, Emma Kate, University of Sheffield: Clinical Biochemistry
 Bush, Isabelle, Selwyn College: Chemical Engineering
 Button, Ian Michael David, University of Leeds: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Cao, Yang, University of Bristol: Biochemistry
 Carr, Richard Philip: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Chowdhury, Sayam Uddin, North South University, Bangladesh: Conservation Leadership
 Cilloni, Lucia, Newcastle University: Computational Biology
 Conway, Maxwell Jay, Selwyn College: Computer Science
 Cruz Rojas, Jesus, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Mexico: Applied Mathematics
 Dodds, Kieran, Pembroke College, Cambridge: African Studies
 Doyle, Hannah, Brown University: American Literature
 Dudfield, Gavin James: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Eleftheriou, Antigoni, Stanford University: Paediatrics
 Exton, Oliver, Jesus College, Cambridge: Economics
 Farahibozorg, Seyedehrezvan, Amir Kabir University of Technology, Iran: Biological Sciences
 Featherstone, Andrew Mark: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Fordham, Elizabeth Margaret, Durham University: Education
 Gallego Llorente, Marcos, Imperial College London: Zoology
 Gee, William, St Anne's College, Oxford: Clinical Biochemistry
 Gilani, Syed Zafar Ul Hussan, National University of Sciences & Technology, Rawal, Pakistan: Computer Science
 Gilliver, Ruth Louise, Selwyn College: Clinical Medicine
 Gokhale, Nandan Bhushan, University of Bath: Physics
 Greenfield, Nathalie Marie, University of Warwick: Screen Media and Cultures
 Guo, Rui, Central South University of Technology, China: Earth Sciences
 Gursahani, Shyam Lachhman, University of Mumbai: MBA
 Hadinnapola, Charaka Mayura Bandara, Selwyn College: Medicine
 Hallworth, John Reginald, University of East Anglia: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Harrison, Amy Rose Isabel, Selwyn College: Clinical Veterinary Medicine
 Hiesmayr, Fritz Leonhard, University of Warwick: Pure Mathematics
 High, Grace, Brown University: History of Art and Architecture
 Howland, Corinna Frances, University of Auckland: Social Anthropology
 Huang, Xiaofei, Selwyn College: Clinical Medicine
 Hunt, Elizabeth Anne, Selwyn College: Clinical Veterinary Medicine
 Hur, Young-Jin, University College London: Social & Developmental Psychology

Ioannou, Eleftherios, National & Capodistrian University of Athens: Physics
 Jamieson, Robert Bruce, University of Southern California: Divinity
 Jamieson, Nicholas Peter, University of New South Wales: Engineering
 Jayawardena, Dinali Elsa, Selwyn College: Clinical Medicine
 Jitendra, Abhaya Rama, Pembroke College, Cambridge: History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine
 Ju, Yang, Selwyn College: Finance and Economics
 Kaimaki, Domna-Maria, Selwyn College: Engineering
 Kelly, Mark, National University of Ireland-Galway: Energy Technologies
 Kim, Vincent Oteyi, Washington and Lee University, USA: Physics
 Kisonaite, Migle, Vilnius University: Biological Sciences
 Klein, Christoph, Philipp University of Marburg: Physics
 Lin, Chin Yik, University Malaysia Sabah: Earth Sciences
 Liu, Qianchu, Fudan University, China: Theoretical & Applied Linguistics
 Loe, Bao Sheng, University of Glasgow: Psychology
 Lucio, Kerry, University of the West Indies, St Augustine Campus, Trinidad and Tobago: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Lyne, Steven: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Mack, Hannah, Brown University, Early Modern History
 Martynyuk, Natalia, Queen Mary, University of London: Clinical Neurosciences
 Maurer, Margaret, Brown University: Medieval and Renaissance Literature
 Metcalf, Stephen Arthur, Centre College, USA: Epidemiology
 Moore, Megan Elizabeth, Mount Holyoke College, USA: Zoology
 Nicholas, Adeline Kelford, University of Manchester: Clinical Biochemistry
 Norton, Stuart, Buckinghamshire Chilterns University College: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Nwanufo, Esther Hazel Ada, Selwyn College: Clinical Veterinary Medicine
 Ooi, Wei Jie, University College London: Chemical Engineering
 O'Rourke, Noreen, University of Western Australia: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Pankan, Aazraa Oumayyah, University of Nottingham, Malaysia: Chemical Engineering
 Philp, Jordan, Loughborough University: Real Estate Finance
 Qin, Chongli, Selwyn College: Chemistry
 Rabel, Thanura Chandika, University of Auckland: Engineering
 Reeves, Hannah Lucy, Selwyn College: Clinical Medicine
 Reynolds, Louis Edmund, Selwyn College: Modern Society & Global Transformations
 Robinson, Elizabeth Marie, Selwyn College: Clinical Veterinary Medicine
 Roweth, Harvey George, University of Reading: Physiology, Development & Neuroscience
 Schnellmann, Matthias Anthony, Selwyn College: Chemical Engineering
 Shannack, Michael, King's College London: Biological Sciences
 Sherman, Maxwell Aaron, Brown University: Applied Mathematics
 Smith, Clare, Nottingham Trent University: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Soendermann, Jan Johannes Erich, King's College London: Computer Science
 Stavrakas, Camille Paola Marie, University of Paris VI (Pierre et Marie Curie):

Physical Sciences (Nano)
 Tang, Xiaohu, University of Toronto: MBA
 Tripet, Pascal Frédérique, University of Fribourg, Switzerland: Chemistry
 Vaughan, Matthew James, University of East Anglia: Early Modern History
 Wang, Shu-Jen, University of Auckland: Materials Science
 West, David Bond, Baylor University, USA: Anglo-Saxon, Norse and Celtic
 Williams, Gareth David, Loughborough University: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 Wlodarski, Michal, University College London: Physics
 Wolf, Konstantin, University of Frankfurt: Physiology, Development and Neuroscience
 Wutschitz, Lukas, University of Vienna: Physics
 Xiao, Zifan, University of Bristol: Physical Sciences (Nano)
 Zanetti, Paul Anthony, Edith Cowan University, Australia: Applied Criminology and Police Management
 zu Ermgassen, Erasmus Klaus Helge Justus, Selwyn College: Zoology
 Zweig, Louis, Brown University: Classics

NEW MEMBERS IN RESIDENCE: UNDERGRADUATES

Aitken, Martha Munro Cornish, Richmond-upon-Thames College
 Ashurst, Nicholas Jonathan, Therfield School, Leatherhead
 Ayriiss, Christina Muk Lan, Woodford County High School
 Baker, Keir Thomas, Gosforth Academy
 Barrowman, Katherine Margaret, Gower College, Swansea
 Bassey, Euan Neirin, Truro & Penwith College
 Bell, Sophie Ann, Presdales School, Ware
 Beltrami, Benedict Michael Joseph, St Paul's School
 Boothroyd, Peter Edward, The King's School, Chester
 Bottomley, Edward Christopher, The Perse School, Cambridge
 Brackley, Simon Mark, Tendring Technology College, Frinton-on-Sea
 Braid, Victoria Anne, Stamford High School
 Byron, Robert Patrick, Royal Latin School, Buckingham
 Cadman, David William, Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield
 Carson, Chloe Rhiannon, The Wallace High School, Lisburn
 Casey, Caroline Emily, St Angela's Ursuline School, Forest Gate
 Cavill, Eleanor Florence, Bishop's Stortford College
 Chan, Beatrice Miaoshi, Dulwich College, Shanghai
 Chan, Lok Yiu, St Catherine's School, Bramley
 Cleary, Jemma Jo, St Marys School, Ascot
 Cole, George Robert, King Edward VI College, Stourbridge
 Cook, Bronte Louise, Wycombe High School
 Cornaro, Elena Donata, European School Brussels 2
 Daley, Maria Louise, St Edward's College, Liverpool
 Delahunty, Ruth Catherine, Loreto College, Manchester

Dhillon, Ayrton Singh, King Henry VIII School, Coventry
 Diana, Luke Vincenzo, Saffron Walden County High School
 Duckworth, Abigail, Loreto College, Manchester
 Elhakeem, Osama Ismail, East Norfolk Sixth Form College
 Ellis-Rees, Antonia Francesca, Graveney School, London
 Fargas i Castells, Roc, Wells Cathedral School
 Fox, Simon Lawrence Samuel, Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School, Elstree
 Friend, Stephanie Ellen, Newstead Wood School, Orpington
 Fuge, Joshua Stephen, King's College, Auckland
 Gao, Jiali, Wolverhampton Girls' High School
 Ghassemieh, Arya, Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School, Elstree
 Goldin, Alexander Samuel Julius, Magdalen College School, Oxford
 Gong, Zeqi, Helston Community College
 Granville-Willett, Alec James, Maltings Academy, Witham
 Grapes, Emily Louise, Paston Sixth Form College, North Walsham
 Griesbach, Thomas Henry James, Solihull School
 Hart, Shanna Marilyn, Royal Masonic School for Girls, Rickmansworth
 Hesselgren, Hugo Carl Fredrik, Radley College
 Higgs, Francis, William Hulme's Grammar School Academy, Manchester
 Hine, Michaela Margaret, Bristol Grammar School
 Hogan, Barbara Jane, Linlithgow Academy
 Hunter-Craig, Alexander Benjamin Robert, Gordano School, Portishead
 Hurrell, William Rory, Peter Symonds College, Winchester
 Jenkins, Rebecca Jane, Godalming College
 Johnson, Aeisha Esther Nicole, Plymstock School, Plymouth
 Johnson, Hayley Pillai, Headington School, Oxford
 Johnson, Jennifer Suzanne, Stockport Grammar School
 Jones, Joshua Nathaniel, Abingdon and Witney College
 Kang, Kumin, James Gillespie High School, Edinburgh
 Katalanos, Dominic Alexandros, Sir William Borlase's Grammar School, Marlow
 Kenyon, Katherine Sarah Havard, St Mary's Roman Catholic High School, Chesterfield
 Koh, Sean Yi Wei, Anglo-Chinese School, Singapore
 Kosse, Eliza Marie, Latymer Upper School
 Krishnamurti, Kiran Dev, Auckland International College
 Lambert, Gaia Fay, The Queen Elizabeth's High School, Gainsborough
 Lamotte, Hamish Christian, Loretto School
 Lange, Jacob Armstrong, The Crypt School, Gloucester
 Lee-Barber, Frances Mary, Royal High School, Bath
 Lesniarek-Hamid, Nadia Yasmin, The Sixth Form College, Farnborough
 Macnab, Elinor Mary Kirsten, St Helen & St Katharine, Abingdon
 Malone, Lindsay Charlotte, Colchester Royal Grammar School
 McPherson, Ellen, Firrhill High School, Edinburgh
 Miles, Flora Trethowan Olivia, Truro & Penwith College
 Miller, Bruce William, King Edward VI School, Bury St Edmunds
 Miller, Henry William, Eastbourne College
 Monck, Ana-Sofia, King's College School, Wimbledon

Moscrop, Laurence Darius, Altrincham Grammar School for Boys
 Moylan, Clement Dai, Wymondham High School
 Nikodemou, Maria, The English School, Nicosia
 Olufemi, Omolola Michelle, Enfield County School
 Owens, Charlotte Victoria, Brighouse High School
 Palmer, Josh Daniel, Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe
 Pardoe, Henrietta Mary, Woodford County High School
 Parkins, Adam Charles, Colchester Royal Grammar School
 Pattanayak, Shreyash, Institute of Education, Dublin
 Pawar, Sohini Gajanan, Colchester Royal Grammar School
 Peng, Yilin, U-Link College of International Culture, South China Normal University, Guangzhou
 Peters, Alexander Robert, Hutchesons' Grammar School, Glasgow
 Pitts, Jonathan Alexander Nicholas, Ripon Grammar School
 Poh, Benedict, Raffles Junior College, Singapore
 Prudden, Harry Thomas, Sir Thomas Rich's School, Gloucester
 Purnell, Oliver James Harvey, The Perse School, Cambridge
 Reilly, Harrison Joseph, Haberdashers' Aske's Boys' School, Elstree
 Robertson, Lee, Havering VI Form College, Hornchurch
 Rochford, Edward Henry, Ecclesbourne School, Duffield
 Rousseau, Alexander Simeon, Tapton School, Sheffield
 Rutter, Thomas Anthony, Bishop Wordsworth's Grammar School, Salisbury
 Sansom, Philip Daniell, The Perse School, Cambridge
 Shah, Pranay Dilip, Queen Elizabeth's School, Barnet
 Shah, Sonali Anuj, Oshwal Academy Nairobi Senior High
 Sheene, Charles Thomas, The Priory School, Orpington
 Sheikh, Aneesah Hanaa Imaan, Jordanhill School, Glasgow
 Shi, Han Jie, Collingwood School, Vancouver
 Shipton, Jonathan David, John Kyrle High School, Ross-on-Wye
 Simister, Liam Andrew, Carmel College, St Helens
 Snowden, Daniel Alexander, Silcoates School, Wakefield
 Stephenson, William Robert, Canford School
 Sturge, Rebekah Josephine Peveril, The Tiffin Girls' School, Kingston-upon-Thames
 Taplin, Thomas Anthony Mark, Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe
 Teal, Emma Louise, Tadcaster Grammar School
 Thompson, Alexander David Alan, Wyke Sixth Form College, Hull
 Turnbull, Robert Gillies, St John Fisher & St Aidan's Associated Sixth Form, Harrogate
 Usher, Saffron Emily, Hills Road Sixth Form College, Cambridge
 Wang, Xingyue Maria, Oxford High School GDST
 Watts, Catherine Rose, Hymers College, Hull
 Weston, Laura Faye, Pate's Grammar School, Cheltenham
 Whitworth, Holly, Wymondham College
 Wickrama, Bishani Sandeepa, Chelmsford County High School
 Wilson, Matthew George, The British School of Paris
 Wood, Benjamin William, Heckmondwike Grammar School Academy Trust
 Wood, Emily Marie Lucy, Notre Dame High School, Norwich

Worssam, Matthew Deforest, Dartford Grammar School for Boys
Wride, Sebastian Joseph, Sir William Borlase's Grammar School, Marlow
Wright, Emily Tao, Clifton College
Zhang, Yuan, Winchester College
Zhuang, Ziyin, Notre Dame High School, Norwich

BTh

Beck, Rachel Gillian, Bishop Grosseteste University, Lincoln (Westcott House)
Graham, Elizabeth, University of Sheffield (Ridley Hall)

Visiting Students

Berger, Felix Julian, Ruprecht-Karl University of Heidelberg
Duchardt, Marc, Philipp University of Marburg
Erhard, Jannis, Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nuremberg
Ruiz, Marissa Juliette, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Part two

FELLOWS-ELECT

Ms Jennifer Bates writes:



Jennifer Bates is an archaeologist specialising in the study of people's use of plants in the past. She read Archaeology and Anthropology at Trinity before moving to UCL to complete an AHRC-funded Masters on Research Methods for Archaeology. Her AHRC-funded doctoral thesis (Trinity) has centred on the impacts of urbanisation and deurbanisation on village agricultural strategies in the Indus Civilisation of South Asia (c.3200-1500BC). Her forthcoming papers present the earliest dated use of rice at Indus settlements and the role of the Indus Civilisation in South Asian rice domestication. Although focused mainly on Bronze Age South Asian archaeobotany, Jennifer has worked on materials from Turkey, Malta, Italy, Libya, and the UK from a range of time periods from the deep past to modern reference collections. She comes to Selwyn as the Trevelyan Research Fellow to explore the relationships between the Indus Civilisation and the societies bordering it through their use of food.

Professor Ian McFarland writes:



Named Regius Professor of Divinity this past spring, Ian McFarland received his PhD from Yale University and began his teaching career at the University of Aberdeen, where he held the posts of Lecturer and Senior Lecturer. Since 2005 he has held joint appointments at Emory University's Candler School of Theology and Laney Graduate School. For the past three years he has served as Candler's Associate Dean of Faculty and Academic Affairs, and in 2013 he became the inaugural holder of the Bishop Mack B. and Rose Y. Stokes Chair in Theology. He is the author of five monographs, including *The Divine Image: Envisioning the Invisible God* (2005), *In Adam's Fall: A Meditation on the Christian Doctrine of Original Sin* (2010) and *From Nothing A Theology of Creation* (2014).

Mr Joseph Sampson writes:



Joe Sampson will be joining Selwyn as the David Li Teaching Fellow in Law in October 2015. His academic career to date has been spent down the road at Trinity, where he read for a BA in Law and an MPhil in Medieval History. He is spending his summer frantically trying to finish his PhD, which explores the intellectual influences behind the generalisation of delictual liability in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. As this might suggest, his primary research interests concern the development of private law doctrine and theory in England and Europe, and in particular the degree to which law borrows from other intellectual traditions when refining its own concepts.

Dr Sophia Connell writes:



Sophia Connell studied Philosophy at McGill University, gaining a First Class Honours degree before coming to Cambridge to study for an MPhil (Darwin College) and PhD (St John's College) in Classics, concentrating on Ancient Philosophy. She held Research Fellowships at Churchill and St John's Colleges, and is currently a Senior Member of Newnham College, where she has directed studies in Philosophy for over a decade. She has also held lectureships in the Philosophy Faculty, University of Cambridge and at the University of East Anglia. Her areas of interest broadly cover ancient philosophy, science and ethics and modern political and ethical thought. She has published articles on Aristotle's biology and Galen and Aristotle on women's bodies as well as a feminist critique of evolutionary psychology. Her forthcoming book is entitled: *Aristotle on Female Animals: A Study of the 'Generation of Animal'* (Cambridge University Press, January 2016).

In addition, Dr Upton (Bye-Fellow) has been elected to a Fellowship in Medical Sciences from 1 October 2015.

BYE-FELLOW ELECT

Dr Alison Gray writes:



Alison Gray is the Director of Studies and Tutor in Old Testament at Westcott House, Cambridge, and has been an affiliated lecturer in Hebrew and Old Testament at the Cambridge Faculty of Divinity since 2013. After reading Theology at Selwyn (1996-99), Alison completed a PGCE in Religious Studies and worked as a secondary school teacher before returning to Cambridge to read for an MPhil in Old Testament. Her PhD, funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Council, focussed on the application of cognitive linguistics to the translation and interpretation of metaphors in the Hebrew Psalms. A revised version of Alison's doctoral thesis was published last year in Brill's Biblical Interpretation Series. Her current research interests include biblical hermeneutics, the reception history of the Hebrew Bible, and Ancient Hebrew Semantics. Alison will direct studies in Theology at Selwyn, following Dr Chester's retirement.

DEPARTED FELLOWS

At the beginning of the academic year, the Fellowship bade a formal farewell to Dr Elliott on his election to a Fellowship at Homerton College, but noted with pleasure his continuing attachment to Selwyn through a Bye-Fellowship. Shortly thereafter, it said goodbye all too soon to Dr Ehrler, Trevelyan Research Fellow, on his appointment to an enticing post at the AMOLF Institute in Amsterdam, one of three research institutes operated by the Dutch Foundation for Fundamental Research on Matter. At the end of the year, it congratulated Dr Baxendine, Centenary Research Fellow, on his appointment to a Fellowship and College Lectureship in English at Queens' College.

NEWS OF FELLOWS

The Master published in July a book entitled, with humorous intent, *Getting out Alive* and subtitled *News, Sport and Politics at the BBC*. It describes his life in senior positions in the BBC and has attracted widespread media attention. It includes an account of the Mastership election process at Selwyn and a chapter about Cambridge. The author's proceeds are being donated to support less well-off students at Selwyn.

Owen Chadwick, accompanied by his family, celebrated his 99th birthday on 20 May at a tea party in the Master's Lodge. He died peacefully at home surrounded by his family on 17 July, six months to the day after Ruth's death (see Obituaries pp. 00 and 00).

David Harrison has retired, after 22 years service, as Director of the Salters' Institute, which is the main charitable arm of the Salters' Company of London working to support Science Education. During the year, he gave Memorial addresses for William Brock (Fellow 1947); Philip Chalk (SE 1950 and sometime Chairman of the Selwyn Association Committee); Stephen Bragg, formerly Vice-Chancellor of Brunel University (Bragg's father and grandfather won the joint Nobel Prize for Physics in 1915); and at Owen Chadwick's funeral in Great St Mary's.

David Newland has published a new edition of his *British Butterflies* with Princeton University Press; provided an entry on Sir William Hawthorne (1913-2011) for the *Oxford Dictionary of National Biography*; and published two papers in the *Entomologist's Gazette*. He reports that he is still working on centrifugal pendulum vibration absorbers for car engines.

Jeremy Sanders, having reached the University's statutory retirement age, steps down as Professor of Chemistry and Pro-Vice-Chancellor and becomes a Title E Fellow of the College. Nevertheless he will remain very busy as Chair of the West and North West Cambridge Estates Syndicate, with overall responsibility both for the current and future development at the primarily residential North West site and the primarily academic and commercial research site on the south side of the Madingley Road. He also reports that he hopes to have more time for research and fund-raising in Chemistry.

James Keeler has found, somewhat to his surprise, that the French translation of his book *Understanding NMR Spectroscopy* has been published under the title *Comprendre la RMN*. The translator, Pascal Miéville, a researcher at the Ecole Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland, reports that he did most of the work on his regular and rather lengthy commute by train. NMR in English stands for Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, and in French RMN stands for Résonance magnétique nucléaire; a sort of bi-lingual palindrome, perhaps? He was delighted to be able to present a copy of the translation to his PhD supervisor, Ray Freeman, to whom the original was dedicated. Apart from his science, Professor Freeman is an accomplished author and linguist and he has already found several errors in the translation.

Dr Keeler steps down from the Senior Tutorship this year on his appointment to a senior position in the Department of Chemistry.

Mike Sewell has been appointed to succeed Dr Keeler as Senior Tutor.

David Smith has been appointed co-editor of the new Cambridge University Press series designed to be used for the revised AQA specification for A-level History; a further series for AQA GCSE History is projected for 2016.

He read a paper entitled 'The Western Design and the spiritual geopolitics of Cromwellian foreign policy' at a conference at the Château de Vincennes, Paris, and a paper entitled 'Parliaments, constitutions and the politics of the Interregnum' at the University of Hull (where he is currently serving as an external examiner in History); he also gave a lecture to recently qualified teachers for the Prince's Teaching Institute at Pimlico Academy. He has published two new articles in *The Oxford Handbook of the English Revolution*, namely 'English Politics in the 1650s' and 'Parliaments and Constitutions'.

His work in schools continues, with talks this year at Greenhead College, Hinchingsbrooke School, Kimbolton School, Oundle School, Colchester Royal Grammar School and Eastbourne College.

David Chivers reports that his four-year retirement process is drawing to a close, having given his last supervisions to first- and second-year veterinary students at Selwyn, St Edmund's and Murray Edwards. He has supervised every vet at Murray Edwards for the past 45 years.

The July Congregation in 2015 will be his last as Praelector after 10 years' service. He was very moved by his last General Admission ceremony in June because, as he left the Senate House, there were three loud cheers for Dr Chivers from the Selwyn graduates, followed by some gibbon calls.

David Ford retires from the Regius Professorship of Divinity this year.

Peter Fox, following the publication of his history of the Library of Trinity College, Dublin last year, was invited to give the inaugural lecture in a new series on 'Great Libraries of the World' at the Royal Dublin Society in April 2015. He discussed the history of Trinity College's Library from a political perspective, showing that its development over 400 years was directly affected by major historical figures such as Queen Elizabeth I, Charles II, Archbishop James Ussher and Oliver Cromwell through to Eamon de Valera, Archbishop John Charles McQuaid and Sean Lemass.

Nick Butterfield gave the Birbal Sahni Memorial Lecture at the Birbal Sahni Institute of Palaeobotany in Lucknow (India); and invited lectures at the International Palaeontological Congress in Mendoza (Argentina), the International Society of Protistology in Banff (Canada), and the Society of General Microbiology in Birmingham.

Professor Baert has published, with Polity Press, a book entitled *The Existentialist Moment: The Rise of Sartre as a Public Intellectual*. Sartre is often seen as the quintessential

public intellectual, but this was not always the case. Until the mid-1940s he was not well known, even in France. Then suddenly, in a very short period of time, he became an intellectual celebrity. *The Existentialist Moment* explains this remarkable transformation.

Stewart Sage has been appointed to succeed Dr Chivers as Praelector.

John Benson was an invited member (of only two outside the United States) of the Planning Committee, San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium 2015. This is the world's premier breast cancer meeting attracting some 8,000 attendees from 100 countries.. He is also a member of the Editorial panel of the journals *Breast Surgery* and *Gland Surgery*.

Alongside a steady stream of academic papers, he has also been an invited speaker at Conferences in Kyoto, Milan, Ciudad Real, and Kuwait.

Fabian Grabenhorst presented his research on the brain mechanisms of reward, decision-making and social learning at conferences in Grenoble, Göttingen, and the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena. His work on brain processing of the reward value of oral fat was presented in the BBC One documentary entitled 'The truth about fat' in April. He summarises his work as addressing a basic question in biological science, namely: what are the mechanisms by which the brain generates internal goals and the behaviour plans to obtain them?

Chris Briggs gave a talk to the Cambridge University undergraduate history society on 'Peasants, lords and medieval markets: a Cambridgeshire study'. He also led sessions on 'The Black Death: disease and upheaval in the 14th century, as part of new teacher subject days in London and Birmingham organised by the Prince's Teaching Institute.

He has recently edited a book (with P M Kitson and S J Thompson) on *Population, Welfare and Economic Change in Britain 1290-1834*, published by The Boydell Press.

Emily Charnock was interviewed for Radio 4's 'The Week at Westminster' in June, discussing the 'first 100 days' of David Cameron's new government, and how that benchmark for leadership originated in US presidential politics. A related article appeared in the *Financial Times*. Also this year, she has given a paper at the University of Oxford's Rothermere American Institute, has participated in several conferences, and has been at work on her first book.

NEWS OF HONORARY FELLOWS

John Chown (1951; Honorary Fellow 1997) reports that he is now tax adviser to Gabelle LLP, which keeps him involved with interesting aspects without having to sign off on anything. He is also working on the financial aspects of high-tech business start-ups, particularly on alternative energy.

Professor Vivian Nutton FBA (1962; Honorary Fellow 2009) has organised with his wife a year of celebration of the 900th anniversary of the construction of Sandridge parish church. He has also been appointed Professor of Medicine at the I M Sechenov First Moscow State Medical University.

He has been made an Honorary Fellow of the Society of Apothecaries of London.

Professor April McMahon FBA (Fellow 1988; Honorary Fellow 2005) has been awarded the degree of *Doctor honoris causa* by the University of Edinburgh, where she studied both as undergraduate and as research student and was Forbes Professor of English Language and a Vice-Principal before being appointed to the Vice-Chancellorship of Aberystwyth University.

NEWS OF FORMER FELLOWS

Professor Richard Griffiths (1960) celebrated his 80th birthday in London in June. Sir David Li (1961; Honorary Fellow 1992) hosted a lunch party in Richard's honour to which David Harrison and John Spencer and their wives were invited.

Professor Jonathan Culler (1969) has published *Theory of the Lyric* with Harvard University Press.

Dr Nicholas Marston (1984), now a Fellow of King's, has been appointed to a Professorship of Music.

FEATURES AND REPORTS

The 2014 Annual Lecture sponsored by the Alumni Association's London Group was given this year by Professor John Morrill. It was held at the Oxford and Cambridge Club on November 11th. Afterwards, a dinner celebrated John's retirement as Professor of British and Irish History and a teaching fellow of Selwyn. John was elected to his fellowship in 1975, was Senior Tutor 1987-92 and Vice-Master 1992-2001. He was a Vice-President of the British Academy 2001-09 and has received numerous honours and awards. He is a permanent deacon in the Roman Catholic Church. Professor Morrill has written this account of his lecture.



WHAT HAS UNITED THE UNITED KINGDOM AND HOW UNITED CAN IT REMAIN?

John Morrill

I was delighted to be asked to give a lecture to the alumni in the Oxford and Cambridge Club to mark my retirement after 38 years in the Faculty of History and long spells in Selwyn as Director of Studies, Tutor, Librarian, Admissions Tutor, Senior Tutor, Graduate Tutor and Vice-Master. What a privileged career! Happily I am now a Fellow in Class E, i.e. a life Fellow, able to lunch and dine whenever I like (not much used, since I have discovered the truth of my father's aphorism that retirement is the best job he ever had). Anyway, to mark my retirement I decided to take up one of my broader interests, which is the historical relationship between the territories and peoples that make up the British-Irish archipelago. The timing was great because it more or less coincided with the Scottish referendum on independence, which I could put into historical perspective. This is a very simplified and brief summary of the kinds of things I talked about (having misplaced my notes and even my PowerPoint I can do no more!).

I began by looking at a map of the distribution of votes in the referendum. Essentially, the central belt, especially the conurbations of Greater Glasgow, Dundee and parts of greater Edinburgh voted for independence and the rest didn't. More detailed analysis showed that the areas furthest from the Clyde-Forth axis, the less support for independence. It was an almost complete repetition of the pattern of support for the Covenanters in the mid seventeenth century. Then as now, the canny Scots of the Highlands, Islands and Borders feared being mulcted by the central belt to support the

bottomless pit of urban deprivation much more than they feared being mulcted by a faraway government in south-east England. It did not make those regions pro-English or even pro-British; simply fiercely anti-Strathclyde.

This introduction allowed me to stand back and look at the forces that have shaped British and Irish History. I suggested that ‘the United Kingdom’ has never been a state but rather a state system subject to regular dramatic shifts in the pattern of relationships between the component parts. Roughly once a century there is a small earthquake as tectonic plates shift, and we are going through one of those quakes at the moment: the Blair government brought in a significant amount of devolution with the creation of the Scottish Parliament and the Welsh and Northern Irish Assemblies, creating a fair degree of legislative and executive dysfunction. The independence vote and the promised further weakening of the federal ties is a predictable aftershock of the Blairite reforms. It was no surprise to me that there was pressure for change by the 1990s: it was due.

The last seismic activity had taken place in the early twentieth century with comparable pressure over Irish Home Rule, and that had resulted in the partition of Ireland into a Free State and a North still part of the UK. Before that, the previous great shift had been early in the 19th century with the merger of the British and Irish Parliaments and with Catholic Emancipation. A century earlier, in 1707, there had been the Union of the Kingdoms of England and Scotland with the merger of their Parliaments and executives, but with cast-iron guarantees for the autonomy of the Scottish legal system and the totally separate religious settlements (and with a fiscal settlement that then and now favours the Scots): the weakening of the confessional Anglican state in England, the triumph of a confessional Presbyterian state in Scotland. Simultaneously, the stranglehold of the ‘Protestant Ascendancy’ in Ireland was completed with more confiscations of Irish Catholic land and severe repression of Catholicism (the Protestant 25 per cent now owned 90 per cent of the land and 95 per cent of the wealth). A century before that and we are in 1603, with the Union not of the Kingdoms but of the Crowns, the first union of England and Scotland under a single ruler and a rapid process of ‘anglicisation’ which led, as a really major aftershock to the War of the Three Kingdoms in the 1640s. James VI and I’s attempts to create a union of parliaments, churches and laws failed, but he did succeed in creating a sense of ‘Great Britain’ and he did institute a large-scale expropriation of Catholic and Gaelic land in the northern counties of Ireland and the settlement of thousands of Protestant settlers from both England and Scotland (the ‘Ulster Plantation’). If we go back to the early sixteenth century we find a transformation of Anglo-Irish and Anglo-Welsh relations with the creation of the Kingdom of Ireland by Irish statute in 1541 (previously Ireland was a Lordship and comprised only a small area around Dublin – ‘the Pale’). Fatally, the attempt to protestantize Ireland was a serious failure with doleful long-term consequences. Meanwhile Wales was administratively integrated into an enhanced English kingdom, and with the creation of the Welsh counties, the sending of Welsh MPs to Westminster, the successful protestantization of Wales. Indeed for the first time, the Welsh paid taxes directly to the King. And to complete his plans to unite the whole of Britain and Ireland under his rule, Henry VIII arranged for his infant son to marry the infant Queen of Scots, Mary (a plan scuppered later by the French who whisked her away by sea to marry the heir to their throne). In the event it was to be the marriage of Henry VII’s daughter Margaret to James

IV of Scotland that, a full century later, led to the union of the Crowns under James VI and I and it really matters that a Scottish King took over England and not vice versa!

In 1500, the writs of the Kings of England ran in most but not all of England, small parts of Wales, an even smaller part of Ireland, and none of Scotland. The English language was spoken by a minority of the inhabitants of the archipelago, and various forms of the Gaelic/Celtic language by a simple majority. There were three Parliaments, and, after the Reformation of the 1530s, three very different religious settlements.

Over succeeding centuries, the English had thus established a superiority over the other peoples of these islands and they had secured effective control while the other peoples had clung on to very specific marks of identity. The Welsh had surrendered everything but their language (Welsh remained the dominant language of law and religion), the Irish had surrendered everything but their religion (i.e. they had abandoned Gaelic brehon law, Irish as the language of governance, business and religion, and had accepted English patterns of landholding, inheritance and social organisation) while the Scots had hung onto their distinctive legal system (and secured guarantees [still in force] that only those trained in Scottish Universities could practise law in Scotland). Of course they also held on to their Church, but in the end it was their law which proved the most enduring badge of national identity.

There was then a state system from the seventeenth or at least from the early eighteenth century, but there was no state. Gradually the old Gaelic nobilities (headships of sects or clans [the O’Neill, the MacLean] morphed into a parallel but distinct ‘Norman’ hierarchy of dukes, marquises, earls and barons in each kingdom, but only those with titles in England having automatic rights to sit in the British and then UK Parliament, and apart from a short period in the early seventeenth century intermarriage between English (and Welsh), Irish and Scottish peerage families was uncommon. There was no jurisdictional unity between the Protestant or Catholic Churches of the kingdoms. Supervision of the English and Scottish Catholic Churches was through vicars apostolic answering directly but separately to Rome, supervision of the Irish Church was via the Nuncio in Brussels. The ‘Anglican’ churches in each of England, Scotland and Ireland had their own prayer books and canons, and the Archbishop of Canterbury scarcely had a primacy of honour, let alone jurisdiction.

And of course, there are significant parts of the archipelago which acknowledge the Crown but are effectively self-governing – the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, the Scilly Isles are only the most obvious. The Channel Islands and the Isle of Man (only part of the UK since 1753) have their own ‘parliaments’, their own judiciaries and judicial systems, their own tax regimes and so on (and for many centuries their own languages). The English do not, for the most part, know the difference between being English and being British (Shakespeare’s ‘this sceptred isle, ... this England’; Margaret Thatcher, notorious for using English and British interchangeably &c). The Welsh and the Scots know precisely when to call themselves Welsh or Scottish and when to call themselves ‘British’ but they do not mean the same thing by ‘British’. The communities in the north of Ireland call themselves Irish or British, but never both. The inhabitants of the Republic

have never called themselves British: even the colonists and settlers of the Ascendancy called themselves 'Anglo-Irish'. So there are several clearly differentiated 'nations' within the single state, and many cultural forms reinforce that: look at the complexities of international sport (like the current row that is preventing a 'British' football team from competing in the Olympics), the presence of Welsh but not Scottish teams in the 'English' Premiership, the existence of an all-Ireland Rugby team and so on.

My lecture had a lot more of this kind of thing, but I am running out of words given me by the Editors of the *Calendar*! So let me end with another set of confusions.

There was nothing inevitable about 'England', 'Scotland', or even 'Ireland' or 'Wales'. In the year 800 or 1000 (as late as 1200) the likeliest division of Britain seemed to be in three great political blocs or kingdoms. First, a Lowland Kingdom centred in south-east England (London or Winchester), and ending at the line of the Severn and the Trent, or at least the Mersey and the Trent. Second, a central Kingdom ('Northumbria' or 'Strathclyde' based on York or Durham or Edinburgh) which stretched from the Severn to the Tay — one legacy of this was that there were eighteen medieval dioceses in the Province of Canterbury and only four in the Province of York because when Canterbury and York were set up, it was assumed that York would include all the lowland Scottish dioceses. In fact there were never any archbishops in Scotland until the fifteenth century. And thirdly, there was a Highland and Island confederation for many centuries run from Scandinavia, including the Isle of Man, the Hebrides, Orkneys and Shetlands together with the West and Northern Highlands, and, at times, much of north-east Ireland (for centuries this was known as the Kingdom of Man, later as the Lordship of the Isles), only finally integrated into Scotland in the sixteenth century. The Irish did not have a predominant sense of themselves as 'Irish'. They identified themselves well into the early modern period by their sept or clan (almost 200 of them), by their region and ancient Gaelic kingdom (men of Ulster, Leinster, Munster, Connacht) or as Gaels (*Gaedhil*) as against the Norman (*Graell, Sassanach*). Only the Reformation made the men of Ireland not identify with Gaeldom and identify more with Ireland.

As space runs out, I will conclude by saying that I am writing a lot about the role of contingency in creating three kingdoms and four peoples (or is it five?) under one ruler, and a state system that was never a fully integrated state, a dynastic agglomerate as I have christened it. That writing explains why regular adjustments in the relations of peoples and polities within these kingdoms and nations has been predictable and necessary. Given the ignorance of politicians, this is *useful* history, but then why would politicians ever want to be well informed about the past? Aren't they building a glorious future unhampered by the past?

COLLEGE EVENINGS

Members of the Fellowship spoke at College Evenings held on 5 November 2014 and 6 March 2015. At the first, Dr Björn Wallace considered 'The luck of the draw' and Dr. Gavin Jarvis wondered 'Where have all the conceptions gone?' At the second, Professor Patrick Baert talked about his new book on the Existentialist Movement (see News of Fellows). Edited versions of the talks by Dr Wallace and Dr Jarvis are given below.

THE LUCK OF THE DRAW: USING LOTTERIES IN ECONOMIC RESEARCH

Björn Wallace

In recent decades, economics has become increasingly focused on trying to disentangle causality, i.e. the relation of cause and effect.

Ideally, causality is identified empirically in a randomised control trial setting along the lines envisioned by Ronald Fisher. Unfortunately, conducting randomised economic experiments in the developed world is complicated and expensive. For instance, it has been calculated that the most famous such experiment, the 1970s Rand Health Insurance Experiment, cost \$295 million (in 2011 dollars). Experiments in the developing world are cheaper, but not necessarily easier to implement or to generalise. An alternative to running actual economic experiments is to look for natural experiments. The ideal natural experiment involves a randomisation of some kind, typically a lottery. The reason for this is that if correctly implemented, a lottery ensures that groups who receive different treatments, for instance winners and losers, are in expectation identical except for the treatment.

Fortunately, for our purposes, playing the lottery is a popular pastime in many countries. Lotteries also have a long history as decision-making devices, and they are often used as tie-breakers or to ensure fairness. An early and famous example is given by Paul the Deacon who in his eighth-century *Historia Langobardorum* claimed that upon leaving Scandinavia the Lombards 'divided their whole troop into three parts, as is said, and determined by lot which part of them had to forsake their country and seek new abodes.' While we cannot even be sure that this lottery actually took place, and much less use it to study the effects of migration on economic outcomes, we can try to use similar and more recent lotteries. The perhaps most well-known such example in the economics literature is the US Vietnam-era draft lottery, which has been used to compare labour market outcomes of young men who were, and were not, drafted into military service.

In what follows, I will outline how my co-workers and I are trying to use data from two very different Swedish lotteries to study the effect of money on health outcomes and the effect of political decision-making on the stock market. The work on the Swedish Save to

Win accounts is primarily due to David Cesarini, New York University, Erik Lindqvist, Stockholm School of Economics, and Robert Östling, Institute for International Economic Studies, while the work on the lottery parliament is joint with Linus Siming at the Bocconi in Milan.

Swedish Save to Win accounts

There are many lotteries for which there is information about winners, and a number of papers have tried to use these to study the effect of winning money on a number of social and economic outcomes. But, information about lottery winners is not in and of itself enough to establish a causal relationship. The reason for this is that lottery winners may not be representative of the population at large, or even of those who play the lottery. For instance, it is likely that winners on average have bought more tickets than non-winners, something that in turn may be correlated with wealth and preferences for risk-taking. In fact, few, if any, of the lotteries that have been studied to date have reliable information on the number of tickets held by participants, and even fewer allow the researchers to follow players over time.

The Swedish Save to Win accounts from the 1980s and 1990s are an exception to this rule. These were savings accounts offered by Swedish banks for which most of the interest went into a communal pot that was then allocated to the savers through a monthly lottery. In these lotteries, the number of tickets held, and in the extension the probability of winning, was a function of the account balance. The actual draws were monitored by a government supervisory authority, and we located the original account balances for each monthly draw from December 1986 to December 1994. These were stored on 14,000 microfiche cards found in the Swedish National Archives along with paper copies of the monthly lists of winning accounts. The information was scanned, and since the microfiche cards also contain the Swedish personal identification numbers of each account holder, the resulting data was subsequently linked to detailed registry data from government agencies. We also collected additional data on two more recent lotteries to supplement the Save to Win data. In total, the final sample consists of well over 400,000 prizes, out of which approximately 8,000 were greater than £8,000. Overall, and adjusting for age, the sample is reasonably representative of the Swedish population.

The structure of our data in theory allows for long-term comparison between winners and non-winners who held the same, or almost the same, number of tickets. However, for technical reasons we primarily focus the analysis on comparing winners of large amounts to winners of small amounts. The results are interesting, and in contrast to the cross-sectional literature, which consistently documents a negative relationship between wealth and mortality, we find no such relationship for lottery wealth. A finding that suggests that either people treat lottery wealth differently from other types of wealth, or that contrary to common wisdom, wealth does not cause longevity.

The lottery parliament

It is often assumed that political decisions influence the stock market. However, it is very difficult to prove that this is actually the case. As in many other countries, the Swedish parliament has a tie-breaking rule which prescribes a lottery under certain conditions in case of a drawn vote. While these types of lotteries have a long history they are rarely used. But, in 1973 the election to the new unicameral Swedish parliament ended in a 'draw'. The Social Democrats stayed in power with a minority government, relying on the tacit support of the Communist party. Together these two parties gathered 175 seats, the same number as the three opposition parties. As a consequence, for three years, parliament was hung and approximately 7% of votes had to be settled by lottery. Thus, a large number of political decisions were in effect decided by a randomisation process and the Swedish lottery parliament therefore offers an opportunity to try to study the causal relationship between political decision-making and the stock market.

The basic idea is to combine data on daily returns from sub-indices of the Stockholm Stock Exchange with voting data from parliament. If a political decision is relevant to a specific sector of the economy and if the decision does affect the stock market, then we should in theory be able to detect a larger than normal movement of the relevant sub-index on the day of a vote. However, under normal circumstances this will be very difficult since the outcomes of votes are almost always known in advance, and it is almost impossible to pin down when the information became public. In contrast, for decisions that were settled by lottery, we know that the probability of a government win was 50%, and we know when this uncertainty was resolved. The reason for this is that in the Swedish parliament, motions and bills are processed by committees prior to them being voted on in the chamber. All parties are proportionally represented in the committees, and the committees vote on whether or not to support the motions and bills. These votes are public information, and as a consequence, not only were the dates of the actual votes in parliament known in advance, but also if the votes were going to be settled by a lottery. Thus, if political decisions do affect the stock market, we should be able to detect larger than normal absolute movements in relevant sub-indices on the days of the lottery draws.

Preliminary results using an event-study methodology suggest that political decisions do have a causal effect on the stock market, and in particular that lottery draws won by the Social Democratic government were associated with (small) negative abnormal returns.

NATURAL HUMAN EMBRYO MORTALITY: WHERE HAVE ALL THE DATA GONE?

Gavin Jarvis

It is widely claimed that the mortality rate of human embryos under natural circumstances is high, particularly in the first two weeks after fertilisation. These claims are not confined to scientific or medical literature, but are often repeated in ethical debates relating to human embryos. For example, in *R (on the application of Smeaton) v Secretary of State for Health* (1), Judge Munby said:

‘There is one other aspect of this medical evidence which perhaps requires emphasis. This is summarised by Professor Braude in the proposition that ‘Fertilisation does not usually result in the development of an embryo’ and by Professor Brown in the statement ‘It is striking that the usual fate of the fertilized human egg is to die’. According to Professor Braude, not much more than 25% of successfully fertilised eggs reach the blastocyst stage of development and ‘Even once implanted the failure rate is prodigious’, for fewer than 15% of fertilised eggs will result in a birth.’

In a chapter entitled *Human Development – the long and the short of it*, Professor John Opitz (2) states

‘... what is known is that defects of pregenesis are the most common cause of prenatal death in humans, causing an approximate ninety per cent mortality of prenatal humans, mostly during the earliest stages of development, leading to spontaneous abortion around or shortly after the first missed period.’

These are extraordinary numbers. If it were true that 90% of all fertilised eggs perish before birth, then the maximum possible birth rate would be 10% per cycle, and only then if every other process of the reproductive cycle, from ovulation to mating to birth, worked with 100% efficiency. This seems unlikely. The fecundability of normal women attempting to become pregnant is approximately 25-30%, and few (if any) biological processes are 100% efficient.

Whilst the mortality rate of embryos may have ethical significance, the phenomenon *per se* does not. It is, in essence, a bare scientific fact. To be reliably known, it must be substantiated by relevant data, appropriately collected, analysed and interpreted. No claim is scientific simply because it is claimed by a scientist. Yet acquiring early post-conception embryo mortality data in women is not straightforward. Hence the evidence that supports these extraordinary numerical claims is worthy of critical examination. Four categories of data are widely cited: (1) a speculative hypothesis published in *The Lancet* in 1975, (2) intra-uterine life tables, defining the mortality of embryos from conception until birth, (3) biochemical detection of early pregnancy and (4) anatomical studies by Dr Arthur Hertig. These are examined in turn.

1. Where have all the conceptions gone?

In 1975, a speculative hypothesis entitled ‘Where have all the conceptions gone?’ was published in *The Lancet* by two physicians, Roberts and Lowe (3). They proposed that 78% of conceptions were lost before birth. The arithmetic they used is easy and, perhaps because of this, the article has been widely cited by ethicists, scientists and clinicians. A Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology noted in 1991 that ‘It is still difficult to better the original calculations of Roberts and Lowe’ (4).

Their analysis was simple. Census data showed that 2.437 million married women aged 20-29 were alive in England and Wales in 1971. Roberts and Lowe assumed that, on average, (i) each woman engaged in two coital acts per week, (ii) 1 in 4 of these coital acts was unprotected, (iii) 1 in 14 of them occurred around ovulation, and (iv) 1 in 2 of the fortuitously-timed, unprotected coital acts resulted in fertilisation.

No sources were provided to substantiate these figures apart from the last. For that the authors referred to Hertig, even though he had concluded that the fertilisation rate was 84%. Nevertheless, the analysis led Roberts and Lowe to estimate that 2.263 million embryos were conceived by this cohort of women in 1971. Census data revealed that 0.505 million infants were born to them that year, and so 78% of all embryos must have perished before birth.

Clearly, the usefulness of this approach depends heavily on the accuracy of the numerical assumptions. Variations may result in substantially different outcomes. Indeed it is not difficult to adjust these values within plausible ranges to obtain almost any value between 0 and 100%, the theoretical limits for any probability. Unfortunately ‘speculative arithmetic’ with this degree of imprecision has nothing quantitatively useful to contribute to any scientific question regarding early embryo mortality rates.

2. Life tables of intra-uterine mortality

In 1977, Henri Leridon, a French demographer, published a life table (Table 1) quantifying intrauterine mortality from ovulation to birth (5). His challenge was to incorporate, numerically, clinically unrecognised pregnancies. His life table draws on two sources to describe the fate of 100 ova exposed to the risk of fertilisation. One of these, French and Bierman, 1962 (6), was notable for its attempt to identify every pregnancy on the island of Kauai, from the earliest possible point of external detection, namely the first missed period two weeks after fertilisation. To complete the first two weeks of his table, Leridon used data from Arthur Hertig.

Jarvis article Table 1

Complete Table of Intra-Uterine Mortality, per 100 Ova Exposed to the Risk of Fertilization		
Week after Ovulation x	Deaths ^a d_x	Survivors ^b S_x
	16 ^c	100
0	15	84
1	27	69
2	5.0	42
6	2.9	37
10	1.7	34.1
14	0.5	32.4
18	0.3	31.9
22	0.1	31.6
26	0.1	31.5
30	0.1	31.4
34	0.1	31.3
38	0.2	31.2
Live births	31

SOURCE: Based on results of Hertig (1967) and French and Bierman (1962).

^a More precisely, expulsion of dead embryos.
^b That is, pregnancies still in progress.
^c Not fertilized.

Table 1 Copy of Life Table produced by Leridon (1977)

Leridon's table suggests that approximately 26% of pregnancies ongoing at week 2 are lost, mostly at 2-18 weeks post-fertilisation. However, most losses occur in the first two weeks post-fertilisation. It is important to note that Leridon's is a life table of ova; hence the first 16/100 'deaths' are unfertilised eggs. Of the 84 that are fertilised, 42 reach week 2, a 50% loss for this initial period. Hence according to Leridon, 37% of fertilised eggs (31/84) produce a live birth. This represents a substantial loss (63%), but is rather lower than the figures implied by Judge Munby or Opitz.

Leridon's analysis is widely cited and some unsourced claims (7) can be traced back to this table. Nevertheless, his conclusions regarding the earliest stage of human development are wholly dependent on the credibility of the evidence from Hertig.

3. Implantation, hCG and pregnancy tests

Modern pregnancy tests detect human chorionic gonadotrophin (hCG), a protein produced by the embryo as it implants into the mother's uterus approximately one week

after fertilisation. The normal menstrual cycle is halted by hCG, allowing an embryo to develop. A positive hCG test suggests that implantation has commenced and hCG tests therefore provide our best insight into the second week of embryonic life.

Positive hCG tests frequently precede an apparently normal menstrual period. In other words, fertilisation may occur with no apparent external sign. A North Carolina study (8) reported 198 hCG pregnancies in 707 cycles among women attempting to conceive. Of these 155 subsequently became clinically recognised. Hence 22% of implanting embryos did not survive to clinical recognition. 19 clinically recognised pregnancies were lost, a 12% failure rate, half that reported by Leridon. The total failure rate for hCG positive pregnancies was 31%, somewhat lower than Leridon's equivalent estimate of loss (55%) from week 1 to birth.

Unfortunately hCG testing cannot provide insight into the first week post-fertilisation. However, the data pose an important question: if 198 out of 707 cycles were hCG positive, what happened to the other 509? Perhaps conception occurred and the embryos died before implantation. Yet, even if all 509 did this, the live birth rate would still be 19%, higher than implied by both Munby and Opitz. There are, however, many other reasons why women trying to conceive might not become hCG positive.

4. Anatomical studies of Arthur Hertig

There is one study to which all others point when reporting embryo mortality in the first two weeks post-fertilisation, namely the 15-year 'Boston egg hunt' (9, 10). Dr Arthur Hertig (1904-90) was a specialist in obstetric pathology at the Harvard Medical School. In the 1940-50s, he collaborated with gynaecologist Dr John Rock to search for early human embryos. Hertig identified 34 embryos from 210 women who allowed him to examine the contents of their reproductive tracts following hysterectomy; his subsequent analysis was based on 107 of these 210 women who were considered 'optimal' for conception (Table 2).

Jarvis article table 2

Embryo age (days)	Biological Description	Number of cases	Embryos found	Normal Embryos	Abnormal Embryos	Embryos /case (%)
0	Ovulation ± Fertilisation	0	0	0	0	-
2-5	Embryo in fallopian tube/uterus	26	8	4	4	30.8%
6-10	Implantation	47	5	5	0	10.6%
11-16	First Missed Period at ~day 14	36	21	15	6	58.3%
Total		107	34	21	10	31.8%

Table 2 Summary of 107 cases and 34 embryos from Hertig's 'Boston Egg Hunt'

Hertig's numerical analysis (11, 12) is heavily dependent on the 21 embryos aged 11-16 days. He proposed that 15 normal embryos from 36 cases is a typical outcome (he assumed that none of the abnormal embryos would survive). Hence 15/36 became 42/100 at 2 weeks in Leridon's life table. At this stage 15/21 (71%) embryos were normal, whereas at 2-5 days only 4/8 (50%) embryos were normal. Hertig surmised that at the 2-5 day stage of the 36 cases, there would also have been 50% normal embryos. Assuming all normal embryos survived, this meant that there must have been 15 normal and 15 abnormal embryos among these 36 cases at 2-5 days. Hence of the 36 cases, 6 did not have an embryo despite being 'optimal' for conception. Thus 6/36 (16%) became Hertig's estimate for fertilisation efficiency and the source for Leridon's 16/100 'deaths' in the first row of his life table.

There are several issues with Hertig's analysis. Firstly, he ignores 47 (44%) of his 107 cases, those at embryo age 6-10 days. At face value, these data suggest that both conception probability (10.6%) and risk of abnormality (0%) are substantially lower. More recent and reliable hCG data (13) also suggest that 58% is an inflated estimate for implantation, since only 28% (198/707) of cycles showed evidence of implantation. Secondly, Hertig provides no statistical estimates of precision. However these can be derived from his dataset using bootstrap methods. Using all Hertig's data (n=107) and his arithmetic, the 84% probability of fertilisation emerges with a 95% confidence interval of 39-227%. For the probability of an embryo implanting, it is 27-128%. These values are so wide (theoretical values cannot exceed 100%) as to be of little quantitative value. In this respect, the outcome closely resembles that of Roberts and Lowe.

Conclusions

Hertig's data and analysis provide almost the entire body of evidence available for quantifying human embryo loss in the first week post-fertilisation under natural circumstances. A critical reading reveals that 'a claim of "no significant difference" might easily be sustained against any interpretation proffered' (14). Furthermore, 'available data on very early human pregnancy ... from unusual or biased samples' (15) have resulted in 'poor estimates of fertilization failure rate and the mortality at 2 weeks after fertilization' (16) which are 'difficult to defend with any precision' (17).

Although estimates for early natural human embryo loss are imprecise, the extent of this loss has arguably been exaggerated (18). There are implications of this for both our understanding of reproductive biology and its application in assisted reproductive technologies. Furthermore, if it is genuinely true that 'a decisive fact is that at least two-thirds of fertilised eggs are lost in the ordinary course of nature' (19), one wonders whether more realistic estimates of embryo mortality might also influence ethical decision making.

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REMEMBRANCE PEAL BY SELWYN BELLRINGERS

On Remembrance Sunday, 9 November 2014, a band of Selwyn bellringers rang a half-muffled peal in memory of all Selwyn alumni who died in the two world wars and subsequent conflicts. The peal was on the eight bells of St Mary and St Michael, Trumpington. The ringers were Nigel Gale (m 1989), Camilla Haggett (m 1995), Nick Haggett (m 1990), Robin Heppenstall (m 1956), who conducted, Rod Lebon (m 1968), Mark Norris (m 1983), Vivian Nutton (m 1962) and Paul Seaman (m 1982). Professor Nutton, who is a former fellow and now Honorary Fellow, has contributed this account of the history of bellringing at Selwyn.

SELWYN AND BELLRINGING

Vivian Nutton

In the musical art of change-ringing Selwyn has been pre-eminent over all other Cambridge Colleges (and Oxford lags very far behind Cambridge). Only Trinity has had more Masters of the University Guild since its foundation in 1879, and two Selwyn Fellows, A C Blyth and C M P Johnson, presided over its activities for a total of 41 years. Two other Fellows, V Nutton and D E Newland, have also rung peals (roughly three hours of continuous change ringing), two more, P H Melville and W W Neale, rang regularly at their local village towers, and at least one other, R W Hunt, rang as an undergraduate.



Although one Selwyn man, C E E Bulwer, rang in the first Guild peal on tower bells, in 1884, and F Barker rang several peals in 1912-1913, it was not for another decade that Selwyn began to produce ringers of a consistently high standard. C W Woolley (1926), who also rowed in the College's most successful May Boat, was the country's greatest ringer on handbells (when the ringer rings one bell in each hand), as recordings of his prowess show. From the 1930s to the 1990s, there were often several undergraduate ringers in residence at the same time, many of whom went on to ring hundreds of peals in and outside Cambridge. Even if numbers have declined since then, there has still been a steady stream of competent ringers.

Credit for establishing this tradition must go in the first instance to the Revd A C Blyth, Fellow 1928-61, who was undergraduate Secretary of the Guild in 1910, Vice-President from 1933-37, and President from 1937 until his death in 1961. As Senior Tutor, he was constantly on the lookout for young ringers, and some joked that only Selwyn had a Bellringing Exhibition. A war-wound had left him with a gammy leg, but this did not prevent him even from ringing tower bell peals, mainly for the Guild. In 1952, he took part in the first peal ever rung by members of one College, a peal on handbells with P A F Chalk, F E Roberts, and C M P Johnson. The next year saw the first College peal on tower bells, Double Norwich on the eight bells of Longstanton, and the even more complicated Cambridge Major at Norton in Hertfordshire.

It was not until fifteen years later that the next Selwyn peal was rung. To celebrate the centenary of the enthronement of Bishop Selwyn, a peal was rung in 1968 on the ten heavy bells of Lichfield Cathedral, a feat repeated for the 125th anniversary of the College in 2008. This was followed in 1971 by a peal of Stedman Cinques on the twelve bells at Cripplegate in the City of London. This was a remarkable achievement, especially as several of the band did not ring regularly on twelve bells, and it has not yet been equalled by members of any other Oxbridge college. There were also handbell peals on G staircase and in the Chapel. Since then there have been ten-bell peals at Great St Mary's, to mark the College Centenary, and Lincoln Cathedral (in 2010, to the memory of John Sweet). Peals on eight bells have been rung at Trumpington and Meldreth, to celebrate the presidencies of the Association of P A F Chalk and C M P Johnson, and at Woodbridge. An attempt at Meldreth involving three Fellows, alas, came to grief with twenty minutes to go. A welcome peal was rung at Hemingford Grey in 2013 to welcome the new Master, and a half-muffled peal at Trumpington on Remembrance Sunday, 2014, to remember the dead of two World Wars. No other College has rung so many or so varied peals with its own members.

Outside Cambridge Selwyn ringers have been influential in county and national ringing associations. A G G Thurlow (1929) was President of the Central Council of Ringers, on which many Selwyn ringers have served, and R D St J Smith (1934) was for many years President of the Lancashire Association. P A F Chalk (1950) was Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths (and a regular ringer at St Paul's), and many others served their county associations in a variety of capacities. Important towers with Selwyn ringers today include Guildford and Lincoln Cathedrals. W T Perrins (1969) continues the Selwyn tradition in Australia as leader of the band at the Sydney Anglican Cathedral, but there is, as yet, no Selwyn ringer at Auckland Cathedral, whose bells were presented by Bishop Selwyn as the first ring of bells in the Antipodes.

The list of ringers in Selwyn peals, with dates of matriculation and number of peals rung, is as follows.; C W Woolley (1926) 4t(ower); A C Blyth (Fellow 1928-61) 2t, 1h(andbells); A G G Thurlow (1929) 2t; R D St J Smith (1934) 3t; P A F Chalk (1950) 10t, 2h; C M P Johnson (1950) 11t, 3h ; F E Roberts (1951) 4t, 1h; R J W Housden (1951) 4t; R Beaumont (1953) 3t; A R Heppenstall (1956) 12t,1h; H E Bishop (1959) 2t; V Nutton (1962) 13t, 2h; B E Mozley (1962) 1t; K J Triplow (1963) 2t; P M Wilkinson (1964) 5t; R A G Inglis (1966) 5t, 1h; D Barton (1968) 2t; J R N Lebon (1968) 10t; W T Perrins (1969) 1t, 1h; D R Court (1974) 1t; A J P Limbach (1974) 4t; N F C Gale (1978) 1t; P S Seaman (1982) 6t; M H Norris (1984) 4t; N M W Haggett (1990) 2t; V Sheasby (1996) 1t; C L F Haggett (1995) 5t; N D Bright (Baxter) (2001) 4t.

THE RAMSAY MURRAY LECTURE 2015

The Master writes:

The Ramsay Murray lecture took place towards the end of the dismal General Election campaign. We now know that much of the politicking was about something that didn't happen at all: a hung parliament with its potential for coalitions. Policy was far down the media agenda, and foreign affairs were almost completely absent from the debate; but few could doubt the importance of our subject this year. The challenge of dealing with Vladimir Putin's Russia is one of the knottiest facing Western leaders, and the conflict in the Ukraine is a warning of how a new cold war has the potential to become very hot indeed. A packed audience in the Law Faculty – a rare case of it genuinely being 'standing room only' – showed a hunger for understanding of the consequences for Britain and the world.

Our speaker, Bridget Kendall, is well known from her appearances on BBC radio and television. Her lecture combined thoughtful analysis of modern Russia with the crackle of breaking news, and there was an additional authority from Kendall's past interviews with Putin and from recent journalistic assignments talking to people across the Russian Federation. She noted that there had been the hopes of a new relationship with the West after the end of communism, and only a couple of years ago there had still been a sense that Putin was somebody with whom it was possible to do business. But the Winter Olympics in Sochi in 2014 were accompanied not by international harmony but by the start of the violence in the Ukraine, triggered by the divisions over a closer relationship with the EU; and then by Russia taking over the Crimea and securing its access to the Black Sea ports. The aftershocks were considerable: intensified fears among other potential Russian targets, including the Baltic states; sanctions from the West; and, according to Kendall, anxiety within Russia itself. 'At a recent dinner party in Moscow, she related, I was astonished to find that all the Russians round the table thought that a real war between Russia and the West might be inevitable – either because they believed their President and took at face value what they heard on Russian television, or because they suspected the worst of him, and feared that escalating the crisis might suit his purpose.'

In retrospect, she argued, the seeds of this crisis were to be found in our misreading of the end of the Soviet Union. What had seemed like a peaceful revolution had within it the potential for violent schism, and Russia has struggled with the market economy and the unemployment and instability that accompanied it. Putin himself described the dissolution of the USSR as 'the greatest geopolitical catastrophe of the twentieth century'; and 'democracy' and 'liberalism' had become pejoratives, Kendall observed, with 'business' becoming associated with thievery and corruption. In international affairs, the United States and the West have not always understood the way things look from Moscow - particularly the sense that NATO and the EU are encroaching into Russian spheres of influence, and that Washington takes a 'unipolar' view of the world in which it alone has unlimited rights to intervene. 'I have often wondered,' said Kendall, 'if relations with Putin's Russia today might have been different if George W Bush had not become US President in 2000.' But she was dismissive of some of Putin's rewriting of history, and clear-sighted about the aggression that he has unleashed on those who fall foul of him. In particular, she noted that he must be worried about the stability of his own regime if the Russian people turn on their leaders in the way that has happened in other authoritarian states. Putin's current popularity comes with the silencing of opposition voices – and exhortation on Russian television to hunt down and deal with enemies. Kendall concluded by predicting no immediate solution to the crisis in Ukraine, and argued that it could be Putin's citizenry who might end up suffering most from the geopolitical battle: 'the big losers in this conflict will be the Russian people, in danger of once again being cordoned off from Europe, as travel to the West becomes more difficult and expensive or is increasingly frowned upon. And as the rift between Russia and the West grows deeper, and more ties are cut, the Russian government will turn further inwards, passing more and more laws and security measures to shore up its defences against hostile foreigners, real or imagined.'

A gloomy message, but as an ambitious and crisply-delivered lecture it was rewarded by a prolonged ovation. Happily, for the first time we had cameras present for the event; and it is therefore possible to see and hear Bridget Kendall's lecture in full. Simply search for 'Bridget Kendall Ramsay Murray' on YouTube, or look for the lecture on the University of Cambridge section of iTunes where it can be downloaded.

THE SENIOR TUTOR'S REPORT

Dr James Keeler writes:

From the delightfully named Gog Magog hills, which lie just on the south boundary of the city, one gets a very good view of Cambridge. You can pick out the familiar landmarks such as King's College Chapel, the tower of the University Library and the spire of the Catholic Church on Hills Road, but alongside these familiar sights the most striking thing is the large number of tower cranes spread across the city. These testify to the relentless building work going on – some of it commercial and residential, but a significant part associated with the University and the colleges. Although the tourists in Cambridge may think that they are visiting a timeless city, steeped in history and tradition, the truth is that both the city and the University are presently involved in headlong expansion. The West Cambridge site – for so many years sparsely occupied by the Cavendish laboratory and the Vet School – is now largely built over, with the few remaining sites already allocated for future projects. Further afield, the North West Cambridge site (off the Huntingdon Road, up towards Girton) is starting to take shape under the watchful eye of our own Professor Jeremy Sanders, who has, as pro-Vice Chancellor, been responsible for this development. This site, with its mixture of housing, shopping, social facilities, and University departments will become a significant extension of the City. Selwyn has made its own contribution to this flurry of building, with first Ann's Court and then the major Cripps refurbishment although at present we are thankful not to have our own peace disturbed by major works.

All of this testifies to the relentless expansion of the University and the colleges: for a University which wishes to maintain a leading role in scholarship and research, there can be no standing still. I have written before about the significant expansion in the numbers of students pursuing graduate courses (either at masters level or for doctorates), and the need for the colleges to respond to this increase by providing more places, more accommodation and in particular more student support. Selwyn, like many other colleges, has risen to this challenge and expanded our graduate provision, but it is becoming increasingly clear that the rate of increase in graduate numbers is not up to the planned number.

The reasons for this are no doubt complex, but two factors are surely significant. The first is the difficulty that many students have in finding funding for postgraduate studies, especially for those in the arts, humanities and social sciences. The sources of funding seem to be dwindling, as demand is rising. The second issue that seems relevant is that many new graduates have significant debts, in the form of student loans, and are not surprisingly reluctant to embark on further years of study. In our own small way, Selwyn has attempted to alleviate this situation by offering some graduate studentships funded from our own resources: the hope is that we will be able to interest donors in providing the funds to expand this scheme further. Our concern is that, without proper funding, access to postgraduate education will, in many subject areas, become the preserve of those lucky enough to have access to the resources to pay for it themselves. All our

efforts to widen access to a Cambridge *undergraduate* education will be diminished if those without independent wealth hit a 'glass ceiling' when they attempt to access postgraduate education.

This report is my swan song as Senior Tutor – at the end of this year I am stepping down in order to take up additional responsibilities in the Department of Chemistry, which is where my underlying University post lies. This is therefore the appropriate moment to thank all of my colleagues for their support over the past seven years. Colleges, and in this respect Selwyn is no exception, only work because the Fellows give generously of their time and energy in the full knowledge that the compensation they receive will not be in proportion to the effort they put in. Their compensation comes in the less tangible, but by no means less valuable, form of knowing that they are contributing to the success of the College and in particular to helping and guiding the generations of students who pass through our doors. I am especially grateful to the Directors of Studies and Tutors whose efforts really make the whole system work, and whose dedication to the task is simply outstanding. As Senior Tutor I have also seen at first-hand how much the College staff contribute to creating such a good environment for Selwyn students.

In the Tutorial Office I have been blessed with outstanding staff. Samantha Carr and Margaret Hay will be familiar to just about everyone: they are the first port of call when there are matters to sort out – be it a lost University card, graduation, a room change or advice on innumerable other matters. Their calm good humour, dedication and efficiency in dealing with so many matters are truly invaluable. I want in particular to mention Margaret Hay, who has elected to retire at the end of July after many years with us. Margaret has been our rock and our anchor, an ever-present help, and a constant source of advice, sympathy and good humour. We will miss her very much, and we wish her every happiness in her (no doubt very active) retirement. Finally, I wish to acknowledge the exceptional support that I have received from Gina Vivian-Neal, the Senior Tutor's Assistant. Without Gina's encyclopaedic knowledge of byzantine University procedures, her wide network of contacts, and her great attention to detail, I would surely have been lost.

It has been a privilege to serve as Senior Tutor these past seven years: it has certainly been a rewarding experience for me, and I have learnt a great deal, including how not to be surprised (or seem to be surprised) by *anything*. I am very mindful of the faith and confidence that my colleagues placed in me by appointing me to this post, and hope that I have not disappointed them. To my successor I wish every success in the role.

THE ADMISSIONS TUTORS' REPORT

Dr Mike Sewell and Dr James Keeler write:

In our report last year, we wrote about the impending changes in GCSE and A Level examinations, the many uncertainties around this area and the University and College's planning for how to respond. Over the past year the situation has become a little clearer, although much remains alarmingly uncertain. The outcome of the General Election meant that there was no change in direction or pace of the reforms, so we at least have some clarity as to the direction of travel. The A Level curriculum that has, broadly, been in place since 2000 will disappear between 2015 and 2017-18. From this September students in a range of subjects will sit exams for 'linear' A Level at the end of two years, and if they choose to sit for an AS after one year this will not count towards the final A Level grade. Some subjects (such as modern foreign languages) will not start on the new linear A Levels until 2016, and mathematics will not start until 2017. The future of some A Level subjects remains uncertain.

Most schools and colleges have now decided the approach they will take to A Levels and there is no consistent picture across the country. Some will enter their students for one or more of the new AS Level examinations at the end of Year 12 (Lower VIth) at least for the first year of the new regime. Some have opted for terminal assessment at the end of year 13 (Upper VIth) after two complete years of study in the sixth form. In some cases this decision has been driven by an educational argument which says that two years of uninterrupted study, without the distraction of examinations, will allow students to get their teeth into the subject, to think more broadly, and to have the opportunity for more exploration. For other schools and colleges the choice not to enter their students for public examinations at the end of year 12 is more driven by financial concerns. Examinations are not without significant cost, and in the cash-strapped maintained sector reducing exam entries is a way of saving resources which simply cannot be ignored. It is worth noting that while the previous Government did indeed protect spending on secondary education, this commitment did not extend to post-16 education. This part of the system is being put under increasing financial pressure, with a real-term decrease in funding per pupil, and there is no sign that this is going to improve in the medium term.

For our part, we regret the passing of the system in which almost everybody took AS levels in the first year of the sixth form, and then completed their A Levels at the end of the second year. This system enabled students to explore their strengths and alternative options, it gave them a strong marker at the end of the first year about how well they were doing, and it helped them make informed choices about which subjects to carry forward to the full A Level. It has also been our experience that doing well in AS levels gave many students, particularly those whose pre-sixth form educational experience had not been so good, a real boost and, most importantly, the confidence to be ambitious in their university choices.

Regretful though we are of these changes, the Colleges now have to adapt their admissions procedures to the new reality, while at the same time endeavouring to square the circle of satisfying the Government's directives on access and our own desire to admit the brightest students who are best placed to take advantage of a Cambridge education. In the coming years Admissions Tutors and those involved in selection are going to have to assess candidates presenting with a much more diverse range of examination profiles than has been the case for some time. Of course candidates have always offered us a wide range of qualifications, especially those from overseas, but we have of late had the luxury of there being a majority with similar profiles. Making a fair assessment between these increasing diverse candidates is going to be a challenge.

There is a particular concern that in the absence of AS examinations for many students, there will be a significant rise in the number of what we might politely call 'speculative' applications. That is applications from people who are not really in the frame academically, but who, in the absence of hard evidence provided by the public examination system, feel that they might nevertheless give Cambridge 'a go'. While there is of course nothing wrong with making ambitious choices, if too many people do this our assessment system is going to be put under great strain. Cambridge admissions sets much store by treating each applicant as an individual, and making a careful and holistic assessment of all who apply. However, this system is very labour intensive and time consuming, especially at the stages involving written tests and interviews. There is a concern that if the system has to cope with many more applicants, then the level of scrutiny of each will fall with possible consequent reduction in the quality of our decision making.

Nowhere is this pressure more keenly felt than at the time of interviews. This is already a very busy period. Last December Selwyn conducted over a thousand interviews of nearly four hundred of our applicants. Were we to have – say – 25% more candidates to assess, it would become very difficult indeed to maintain the integrity of the process. Our colleagues who are involved in interviewing are clear that the more interviews they have to do, the more there is a risk of not giving each candidate the attention they deserve. These concerns have led to detailed discussions amongst the Admissions Tutors of all of the Colleges, as well as with the Faculties and Departments, as to whether or not it will be possible to develop an objective and defensible system to make a 'first cut' of the field of applicants so as to give us a reasonable sized group to consider in greater detail. There is no doubt that achieving this will be a difficult matter, and any solution is likely to have its imperfections. Since discussions are ongoing as we write, it would not be appropriate to say more at this stage, but it is clear that whatever the outcome of the discussions there are likely to be significant changes.

Against this backdrop of planning for the changes which we know are coming, the usual cycle of outreach and recruitment activities continues unabated. In August 2014 we started a new venture in the form of a sciences summer school, made possible through the generosity of Jim Dickinson and the Longley Fund. Residential summer schools are very popular with sixth formers as they give them the opportunity to experience what it is like to be at university, to extend themselves academically and to meet like-minded and enthusiastic fellow students. The Selwyn Sciences Summer School ran over three

days, and was advertised to sixth formers in our target areas. In the end we welcomed 45 participants from a good range of schools and parts of the country. The programme itself included an evening spent in the College Library trying to solve Dr Elliott's fiendishly complicated murder mystery. There is, apparently, a trail of clues to follow around the Library and both scientific knowledge and native wit are needed to work out 'whodunnit'. On the second day we broke up into subject groups. The engineers spent the day building robots and programming them to complete a task, the physicists spent some time on practical work and then were taken by Dr Bolton for a very exclusive tour of the Lords Bridge radio telescopes. In keeping with tradition, the biologists did experiments on themselves testing out nerve responses in the physiology laboratory. Finally the chemists learnt about how symmetry is a powerful tool for understanding many processes, and then spent the afternoon working in the laboratory on an analytical problem. These events, combined with socialising, looking around the city and visiting other colleges made for a packed programme. Some of our current students were recruited to act as guides and mentors, and as ever their contribution was crucial in making our visitors feel welcome and ensuring that they got the best out of their time in Cambridge. Plans are already well advanced for a repeat event in August 2015, and we hope in the future to be able to increase the range of subjects covered.

We were joined at the start of the year by Alastair Harman, who took up the role of Schools Liaison Officer (a joint appointment with Homerton College). Alastair is a physics graduate and came to us from York, where he had already been working in their outreach department. He had a steep learning curve getting used to the peculiarities of the Cambridge colleges, but soon was out on the road visiting schools and colleges, representing us as recruitment events and as well as hosting many visits to Cambridge. Unfortunately for us, Alastair's talents were spotted by the Cambridge Admissions Office, which has lured him away to join its outreach team. We wish him well in his new role, and have already welcomed his replacement, Emma Smith, who has just graduated in Archaeology and Anthropology at Emmanuel College. Emma took up the reins at the beginning of July just in time for the Open Days. The latter were a tremendous success. In addition to the two hundred visitors to the Selwyn-specific events, we saw well over a thousand students pass through the College during the two days. Our position right next door to the major events taking place on the Sidgwick Site and equidistant between Chemistry/Engineering and the Physics/Vet School/Materials Science and Metallurgy etc departments on the expanding West Cambridge site means that we can now claim to be at the very centre of the University. The temptation, of course, has to be resisted to miss the final 'ity' from that phrase when speaking!

We end by acknowledging the invaluable part played by the Admissions Secretary, Stephanie Pym. In a role where efficiency, organisation and tenacity are the key requirements, Stephanie excels. Her consistent good humour, calm manner and utter reliability are very much appreciated by us, and all who come into contact with the Admissions Office – she is indeed the lynch pin of the whole operation.

Finally, both of us will be stepping down as Admissions Tutors in January 2016, after more than ten years in post. The landscape of secondary and higher education has been

subject to much change during this period, and it has – to say the least – been a challenge to keep up. Nevertheless, both of us have found working in the admissions role to be very engaging and rewarding. Not only is there the important matter of dealing with the admissions process itself, there is also the recruitment and outreach work which adds a further dimension to the role, and a particularly pleasurable one. None of this important work would be possible without the willing cooperation and engagement of our colleagues who give of their time and energy to be involved in meeting prospective students, running master classes and summer schools and, at the end of the process, interviewing and assessing applicants. We are very grateful to all of them for their contributions. Our successors will take over at a time when there is once more great change in parts of the UK educational system – we wish them every success in dealing with this and the many other challenges which will come their way.

MIDDLE COMBINATION ROOM

Mr Joshua Maher, MCR President, writes:

Continuing the work of last year's committee, the MCR is becoming increasingly integrated into College life. The size of our MCR has grown considerably over the last few years, and consequently the number of active members has also risen. The refurbishment of the MCR common room and of Cripps staircases and nearby hostels has contributed to a vibrant and active graduate community within Selwyn. Our Vice-President is currently coordinating the room ballot, giving students transparency with regard to the facilities available in order to optimise room choice.

With the refurbishments come newer facilities that have encouraged popular get-togethers throughout the academic year, particularly in the common room. As well as a Sky subscription, we have now set up a Netflix account, which can be used on both our main TV and the HD projector. Taking full advantage of this, our International Officer has been running a weekly International Movie Night, with a new movie picked from a different country each week by our members.

Outside of College, the MCR have been enjoying a range of activities. Our newly-created Dinners Officer is now in charge of all Formal Dinners both within and without the College, and has organised and hosted several swaps throughout the year, all of which have been well attended. Moreover, capital cities have been high on the agenda this year with two popular weekend breaks organised for the MCR. The first involved a weekend stay in Edinburgh, arranged by the Social Secretary and Ents Officer, and the second a tour of London which was organised by the International Officer and primarily for international students at Selwyn.

The MCR is also continuing to excel in academic matters. Recently, one member published a study widely cited in the mainstream media on rising food prices, and another has been elected President of the University's Science and Policy Exchange

(CUSPE). Selwyn graduate students are frequently publishing high-impact research in their respective fields, and presenting their findings at international conferences. Many members also participate in the University's supervision system, helping to develop the bright undergraduate minds both here at Selwyn and elsewhere in Cambridge. Finally, academic discourse within College continues to be promoted through the Work in Progress talks, where members from both the SCR and MCR are invited to each give 30-minute talks on their research. There is ambition to expand these talks inviting recent alumni to give fresh details of their experiences within the job market.

It has been a busy term for sport, with almost half Selwyn's May Bumps rowers being from the MCR this year, while the University-wide MCR cricket league has equally attracted a lot of attention. Our sporting success might not quite compare to our academic triumphs but sporting pursuits have been enthusiastically embraced by our members. Providing respite from our academic commitments, engagement with sporting activities promotes good health and welfare amongst the MCR whilst encouraging inter-college engagement.

As academic commitments begin to ease over the summer months, we have a range of activities planned. Our first MCR BBQ of the year was enjoyed by many in true British fashion – on a cold and rainy day at the end of May. More are scheduled for July and August. We are also planning an MCR trip to Newmarket for the flat-racing season. And finally, our Great Gatsby-themed Annual Garden Party and Dinner promises to be an extravagant event at the end of June. We have also taken the unusual step this year of inviting members of the SCR to both the Garden Party and Dinner. We hope this further facilitates integration and helps to develop the relationship between College and the MCR.

Lastly, I would like to thank everyone on the MCR committee for their considerable commitment to the MCR and for helping to organise what has been a fantastic year. In particular, the smooth running of the MCR would not be possible without the superb financial organisation by the Treasurer, and the reliability and attentiveness of the Secretary. We look forward to welcoming the new MCR Freshers in Michaelmas into a friendly and truly wonderful graduate community.

JUNIOR COMBINATION ROOM

No report was received.

SELWYN MAY BALL 2015

The May Ball President, Mr Max Winchester, writes:

On the evening of Saturday 20 June, the gates of Selwyn were opened as students, alumni, fellows and guests were invited to dance until sunrise at the College's first May Ball since 2008. After a gap of seven years, and on the seventh day of May Week, Selwyn's grounds were transformed into Paradise to reflect the event's theme: *VII Day*. Food, drink and entertainment flowed throughout the night, from champagne receptions in the Master's Garden through to a rousing rendition of *Waterloo* from *ABBA Revival* as the sun rose over the College gardens.

Six live stages provided entertainment for all tastes. A domed main stage in Old Court housed outstanding performances from the Ball's three headline acts: *Coasts*, *Kyla La Grange*, and *Eliza and the Bear*, whilst the Chapel's acoustic stage offered sets from *We Were Evergreen* and *Seafret*, both of whom captured the audience with their ethereal performances. Meanwhile, DJ duo *Just Kiddin* kept the party going in Library Court with their headline slot on the *Ministry of Sound* dance stage. Other entertainment throughout the night included fireworks, jazz, acapella choirs, stand-up comedy, salsa lessons, a cinema screen and a giant Ferris wheel.

Guests were kept fed with freshly-cooked street food from all corners of the globe, including paella, tandoori wraps, noodles, mac 'n' cheese and Selwyn's very own Sunday brunch, whilst the many drink options included Portonic, White Russians, gin & tonics and local Real Ale.



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The May Ball was organised by a Committee of thirteen students and three fellows, all of whom volunteered considerable time and effort in the year preceding the event. We were lucky enough to have a truly outstanding Committee and I would like to thank them all for their hard work, imagination and good humour throughout the project.

The Committee and I are extremely grateful for the expert help and advice provided throughout the process by the Master, the Bursar, Jonathan Wearing, Christian Tattersfield, the catering staff, porters, maintenance staff, housekeeping staff, gardeners and alumni office. It is a testament to the ethos of Selwyn that they were all willing to support a student-run May Ball. Above all, I hope that our guests had a memorable night and that this will be the first of many more to come.

Please visit www.facebook.com/selwynmayball to view a selection of photographs from the night.

President: Max Winchester

Technical: Helen Lambert

Employment & Ticketing:

Dr Paul Elliott and Dr Rupert Thompson

Food & Drink: Logan Vasudeva,

Rebecca Haggie and Matthias Schnellmann

Secretary & Sponsorship: Sophie Gammage

Senior Treasurer: Dr Stewart Sage

Design & Scene: Sam Clayton,
Charlie Nye and Jack Shi

Entertainment: Alice Browne and
Oliver Purnell

Logistics & Security: Alex Nott and
Eliza Kosse

ALUMNI RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS, FRIENDS, AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

The Director of Development, Mr Mike Nicholson, writes:

I joined Selwyn on 1 September 2014, so I have now completed a full academic year. Having never before worked in Higher Education, let alone Cambridge, the year has been full of surprises, challenges and delights. My predecessor, Sarah Harmer, left a well organised office and despite there being a gap of some five months between Sarah leaving and my joining, my colleagues did a tremendous job in maintaining momentum throughout the spring and summer 2014. There have been further staff changes since the last *Calendar*; Lizzy Cole left her job as Development Assistant to return to academia – and her successor, Giovanni Zappia, left in July 2015 to take up a new post closer to home in Turin. Andrew Flather's role was restructured to reflect his growing contribution to the College's communications and became our first 'Development Officer: Annual Fund and Communications'.



Changing staff roles reflect the dynamic nature of Selwyn and the need for the College to respond to the opportunities of new technologies and the expectations of our alumni and friends. Annual publications such as the *Calendar* play an important role in our communications strategy – but the College website, email and social media also offer the opportunity to provide a breadth of current news and updates that traditional print cannot compete with. Increasingly, the College offers its own news – and that of our Fellows and Alumni – via a broad range of media, which in turn allows our alumni to be better informed than at any time previously in our 133-year history. We are of course extremely fortunate to have one of the country's most experienced media professionals as Master, who gives freely of his time and expertise, ensuring that the Selwyn website is fresh and attractive and an easily navigable source of information and news. Alumni are encouraged to make sure that this office has your preferred email address, which, as with all the contact details we might hold, will never be shared with anybody else without your express permission.

A major success over the last 12 months was the Annual Telethon appeal in aid of student support, which this year raised almost £220,000. Run by Andrew Flather and a specially recruited team of 12 student callers, almost 70% of those alumni who were spoken to gave generously and I know that many of those called enjoyed talking to current students about their life and studies at Selwyn today.

Another project which required help from alumni was the rebuilding of its Boathouse, which Selwyn shares with rowers from King's, Churchill, and the Leys School. The new boathouse is currently being built and hopefully will be ready for next year's May bumps. Coordinated by Giovanni Zappia in conjunction with members of the Permanent Henley Fund, the appeal to raise Selwyn's share of the costs (£1M) was launched at the Houses of Parliament on 25 March. More than £100,000 has so far been donated, which is a tremendous result, but that still leaves us with a good deal to find. Full details of the new Boathouse project can be found on the College's website or by contacting this office.

A major new initiative, Friends of Selwyn, was launched in September 2015. Many of you will be familiar with the type of 'Friends' scheme operated by many organisations and charities, although I believe that Selwyn is one of the first colleges to do the same. The reasons for creating Friends of Selwyn are twofold: firstly, we wish to provide a simple, transparent and tiered mechanism for individuals who wish to support the future of education at Selwyn. Secondly, we wish to demonstrate that supporting Selwyn is not confined to those who have studied here but that we welcome the involvement of any individual or organisation that might wish to be part of Selwyn's future. Thus we hope that as well as many alumni joining the Friends of Selwyn programme, we will also attract parents and family members, neighbours and friends. Selwyn has a long tradition of being an open and welcoming community; Friends of Selwyn is part of that history and part of its future.

Perhaps one of the best examples of how Selwyn has benefited from the attention and goodwill of friends is to be found in its long and fruitful relationship with the Cripps

family – none of whom were Selwyn alumni. Many of you will be familiar with Cripps Court. Built in 1969, the Court was largely paid for with grants from the Cripps Family Foundation thanks to the interest and goodwill of Sir Humphrey Cripps. 40 years later, the family demonstrated their continued support of Selwyn by further grants of £7M towards the £13m refurbishment of Cripps Court. This was completed in autumn 2014 and the refurbished building opened in December by Sir Humphrey's son, Robert Cripps. Members of the Cripps family and friends attended the opening celebrations, which included Robert Cripps being offered – and accepting – an Honorary Fellowship in recognition of his family's commitment to education at Selwyn, in Cambridge and internationally.

Other fundraising highlights from the year include the creation of a new five-year Law Fellowship thanks to a generous grant of £250,000 from Sir David Li. We also received news of a £1.25 grant from the Walters Kundert charitable trust, settled by the late Eric Walters. This grant will allow the College to develop research opportunities in Chemistry. Christopher Dobson, who, together with his late wife, Ann, played a major role in supporting the development of Ann's Court is generously funding a feasibility study exploring the building of a new library and auditorium along the Grange Road side of Ann's Court. If given the go-ahead, this new capital development will be the subject of a major fundraising appeal which will be run in conjunction with the College's £20M endowment appeal. Together, they will aim to secure the future of education at Selwyn for the next generation.

Legacies continue to be an important part of Selwyn's income and we are very grateful to those alumni who have remembered the College in their will. Approximately 200 of our 8,000 alumni have told us of their intention to leave a bequest and all of these legatees are enrolled in the 1882 Society that recognises and celebrates those individuals who have left a legacy to Selwyn. This year on 7 March some 70 or so individuals joined us at our 1882 lunch, which was most enjoyable. New rules surrounding inheritance tax mean that in many cases, it is now more tax efficient than ever to leave at least 10% of your estate to a registered charity, such as Selwyn. Changing your will is much simpler than you may think and if you would like further guidance on how to leave a legacy to Selwyn, please don't hesitate to contact this office.

Shona Winnard, Alumni Officer, was kept extremely busy organising many events throughout the year in Cambridge, London, Aberystwyth and Somerset. International gatherings took place in New York, San Francisco, Seattle, Victoria and Vancouver reflecting the increasingly international profile of our alumni. We welcomed back many hundreds of alumni to reunions at Selwyn and the numbers of those attending MA dining evenings steadily increased throughout the year. The London Carol Service also grows steadily in popularity and this year will move to what we hope may become its permanent home at St James's Piccadilly, where the Revd Lucy Winkett (SE 1987) is currently Vicar.

In summary – there have probably never been so many opportunities for Selwyn alumni to keep in touch and get together socially and intellectually in the best Cambridge tradition. It's also never been easier to demonstrate your support of Selwyn by becoming a Friend, leaving a legacy or taking part in our popular annual telethon appeal. The financial challenges facing Selwyn and its students are of a wholly different order to those many of us experienced when we were studying at university. Today, many students leave Selwyn with debts of £50,000 and this may increase in the future. In order that we may continue to attract the brightest and the best, regardless of their financial background, we need to ensure that we have the means to support our students – financially if needs be – and provide the best possible teaching and environment for learning. As well as the large gifts that just a few are able to give, we need to increase the number of our alumni who support us in a modest but regular way. Please help our efforts to continue providing access to the best education in the world. Join us at one of the many events we are offering you over the next 12 months; we would be delighted to see you. You may wish to make a note of the following dates:

- 12 November 2015; 3 March and 12 May 2016 – MA Dining Evenings at Selwyn
- 8 December 2015 – Carol Service, St James's Piccadilly, London
- 10 December 2015 – Varsity Rugby Matches, Twickenham
- 5 March 2016 – 1882 Society Lunch at Selwyn (for members of the College's legacy society)
- 9 April 2016 – 50 and 30 year reunions for those who matriculated in 1966 and 1986
- 1 July 2016 – Commemoration of Benefactors for all alumni who matriculated in or before 1960, and in 1971, 1981, 1991 and 2001
- 2 July 2016 – Garden Party
- 10 September 2016 – 20 and 10 year reunions for those who matriculated in 1996 and 2006
- 24 September 2016 – 40 year reunion for those who matriculated in 1976 and the Alumni Association Annual Dinner

The Selwyn Alumni Association

The Selwyn Alumni Association continues to work closely with the Development and Alumni Relations Office, and the Association Committee provides a channel of communication between the alumni and the College. Since his arrival as Development Director, Mike Nicholson has met regularly with the Chair of the Association Committee, Jonathan Wearing, and with the current President of the Association, Robert Lacey. The Association Committee meets at least twice a year to discuss a range of alumni-related matters. Over the past year, it has been particularly active in developing the Selwyn careers network which is proving of immense value to our students both past and present. Offers from alumni who are interested in serving on the Association Committee are always welcome and should be directed to the Association's Secretary, Shona Winnard, at Selwyn: smw59@cam.ac.uk; 01223 767844.

Officers of the Alumni Association 2014-2015

<i>President:</i>	R Lacey	1963
<i>President-Elect:</i>	Rt Revd N S McCullough	1961
<i>Past-Presidents:</i>		
<i>(With year of office as President)</i>	Dr P L Rhodes (1988-89)	1938
	Prof W R Brock (1989-90)†	1947
	Revd Prof W O Chadwick (1991-92)†	1956
	Sir David Lumsden (1995-96)	1948
	P A F Chalk (1998-99)†	1950
	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
	Prof V Nutton (2007-08)	1962
	N Newton (2008-09)	1973
	Prof Lord Harries of Pentregarth (2009-10)	1958
	J H Arkell (2010-11)	1960
	Sir John Shepherd (2011-12)	1961
	F J Morrison (2012-13)	1976
	Prof D E Newland (2013-14)	1954
<i>Hon. Secretary:</i>	S M Winnard (<i>Alumni Officer</i>)	

Committee

J.P. Wearing (1971) (*Chair*)

The President	The Past President	The President Elect
The Master	The Development Director	The Alumni Officer
The Secretary		

Members of the Fellowship

Prof J R Spencer (1965), Dr D J Chivers (1989), Dr M.J. Tilby (1977), Dr D L Smith (1982)

Retiring in 2015

C L F Hagggett (1995), Dr A Philpott (1985), Dr P L Spargo (1980)

Retiring in 2017

Dr C Hales (1982), Dr G W Roberts (2006)

Retiring in 2018

C G Mottram (1967), C M Murphy (1983), K. Wilson (1978)



COLLEGE LIBRARY

Ms Sonya Adams, College Librarian, writes:

I took up the post of Librarian in August 2014 and am now at the end of my first academic year at Selwyn. Whilst I have personal experience of college life, albeit in a darker shade of blue, my professional experience up until now has been in academic subject libraries in Oxford and Brighton. It is immensely enjoyable being back within a college community and Selwyn has certainly lived up to its reputation for friendliness to match its academic rigour.

The aim within the Library has been to continue to build on the sense of community that it fosters through the support given to students throughout their time here. Responding to student requests, we have been stocking up on the workspace essentials: book rests and blankets. We have also been upping the illumination levels with extra desk lamps and increasing general comfort by refurbishing the seating.

During the Michaelmas Term, a selection of rare books from our collection was used by Dr Lander Johnson to aid the teaching of the English Part II Material Renaissance paper to groups of Selwyn and Robinson students. As this paper focuses on print culture and the materiality of texts, the use of original materials from the period was of specific benefit to the teaching of the paper.

In the Lent Term, Assistant Librarian Michael Wilson and Library Assistant Katie Turner put on displays of books from around the world for World Book Day, highlighting some of our rarer books alongside items from the working collection.

The Library was a hive of quiet activity in the Easter Term and we encouraged students to take the occasional much-needed break with jigsaws, Sudoku, and crosswords to stimulate the brain during long revision sessions. We also continued the tradition of providing tea and cake in the office during the exam period and the students continued their tradition of partaking with enthusiasm.

Donations:

During the year, we gratefully received donations of books for stock and sale from: Dr Hugues Azérad, Mrs Lisa Barber, Mr John Barnard, Ms Annie Bonaccorso, Dr Chris Briggs, Dr P A F Chalk, the Revd Dr Nicholas Cranfield, Mrs Anna Day, Ms Rosalie Dench, Ms Sue Donelan, Ms Inga Jones, Mrs Kate Lock, Ms Sarah MacDonald, Mrs Kathleen McIntyre, Dr Gabriele Natali, Ms Helen Phillips, Mr Oleksandr Poplavskyy, Dr David Smith, Mr Malcolm Sutherland, Mr Hiroaki Takaoka, Dr John Walker, Mrs Janice Waterman, Dr Robert Whitaker, Dr Charlotte Woodford, the Turkish Embassy, and the University Library.

Donations of books to support current undergraduate study are welcome and are accepted subject to the Library's Collection Development Policy.

If you are visiting Selwyn during the working week and would like to visit the Library, please do contact me to make an appointment; I would be pleased to welcome you.

COLLEGE ARCHIVES

Ms Elizabeth Stratton, College Archivist, writes:

This year has seen the continued commemoration of World War I with further Archive displays arranged in the Chapel and the New SCR. The Archivist also assisted with research on the Eastern General Hospital, built in Cambridge during the war. The resulting documentary was issued by Cambridge University in July 2014 (www.cam.ac.uk/research/news/from-the-front-to-the-backs-story-of-the-first-eastern-hospital). The Archives received another large number of research requests with several focussing on Selwyn students who were involved in the war.



There has also been further progress on the digitisation programme for the Archives with over 2000 images and other items photographed at the University Library to provide high resolution images. Work is underway to add selected images from the earliest photographs of the College sports teams to a Picture Gallery on the Archive webpages. It is hoped that this will make photographs available to the wider research community and especially for alumni and relatives researching their ancestors. The funding for the project also provided for the specialist conservation of the original albums and that has now been completed by the Cambridge Conservation Consortium.

Images from the Archive collections continue to be used to raise the profile of the Archives with regular postings on the Archive Facebook page and as part of the Archive Image of the Month feature, kindly hosted by the Development Office. One of the recent images of two students 'sleeping out' in the summer of 1923 was shared on the University of Cambridge Facebook page and received over 600 'likes'. The Archivist also contributed details on the history of Selwyn to two Cambridge publications including Sara Payne's *Down Your Street* and *Cambridge – A Photographic Portrait* by Fotogenix Publishing.

The Archivist has also arranged other displays for alumni reunions, for the Alumni Day in September, for an MCR event in October and then for the reopening ceremony of Cripps Court in December. The Archivist is grateful to the Development Office for the purchase of new display boards and panels for this event which served as the backdrop in the Diamond for the speeches and received good feedback. The display is also available online (<http://www.sel.cam.ac.uk/wp-content/uploads/file/CRIPPS%20EXHIBITION%20POSTERS%20NEW.pdf>).

Accessions to the Archives this year have included several early Boat Club artefacts including tankards from 1883 and 1885 and also an oar from 1883. A printed copy of Blomfield's plan for the College in 1881 is a welcome addition to the collection of College maps and plans; we are grateful to the family of William Brock for passing on more of his papers and also to several alumni who have passed on photographs, memoirs and other items directly to the Archives. Thanks also to all those alumni who pass photographs to the Development Office in advance of reunions. There have been items received from the Boat Club, Music Society and organisers of the Snowball and it is hoped that more individual students and College societies will do likewise.

The Archivist is always pleased to hear from current members and alumni about photographs and memorabilia from their time at Selwyn. All formats (paper and electronic) are welcome and copies can be made and originals returned. All enquiries should be directed to the Archivist at: archives@sel.cam.ac.uk or by telephone (01223) 762014.

THE CHAPEL

Canon Hugh Shilson-Thomas, Dean of Chapel and Chaplain, writes:

My report on the Chapel this time last year began with the Installation of the new Master – a wonderful event, but one we hope and trust we will not need to repeat for some time yet. This academical year had no such occasion to rouse it from the brief respite of the summer vacation, but the Chapel year started solidly enough with the Alumni Association Evensong in September, and before we knew it we had moved swiftly into the (always well-attended) Freshers' Service and Freshers' Supper hosted by the chaplain and the JCR, and had gathered the necessary momentum to keep going through the ordinary and the extraordinary occasions until the joys of the Graduation Service and the Commemoration of Benefactors were upon us in July.

It's important not to overlook the ordinary occasions. Week in and week out, Chapel services provide space for any who wish to come to pray, to sit and think, to have their thoughts and beliefs nurtured or challenged, and the wonderful thing is that people do come and the Chapel continues to be in good heart. This year, Choral Evensong on Sundays has been enriched by two sermon series. In the Michaelmas Term, we heard sermons on events that changed the world. These ranged from the Reformation to the invention of the Internet and the destruction of the Twin Towers. Early on in the term, the Revd Kenneth Howcroft (SE 1969), now President of the Methodist Conference, spoke about the publication of the Bible. Later, the Revd Ruth Adams spoke movingly about the Omagh bombing – she was curate in Omagh at the time. But a particular focus of the series was, of course, the Great War as we remembered it a hundred years on. The Choir sang Duruflé's Requiem beautifully at our Choral Eucharist on Remembrance Sunday, the Revd Dr Giles Legood (an RAF staff chaplain) spoke about remembrance and memorialisation, and in the silence we remembered Selwyn's war dead – as we do every year, but this time there was a particular poignancy as we turned to face the memorial on the south wall.

Christmas is always a time for big services, and this year was no different. The Advent carol service was followed (rather too soon, but this is Cambridge) by two packed Christmas carol services, and then the choir and I went to London for the London Alumni Group Carol Service at St Botolph-without-Aldgate for another packed occasion which has become very much a part of our Christmas calendar (this coming year, at St James' Piccadilly on 8 December).

The second sermon series of the year, on the Seven Deadly Sins, was spread across the Lent and Easter Terms because the subject matter did not easily fit the themes of Epiphany, Candlemas (at which the Ven. Alex Hughes, the new Archdeacon of Cambridge, preached) and Passiontide. Celebrations of these punctuated the offerings of the seven preachers from the 'home team'. The Chaplain was of course at pains to reassure his colleagues that the subjects which they had been asked to address had not been chosen for personal reasons. That said, perhaps feeling a bit the worse for wear on account of the additional feasting required of a University Proctor, he allocated himself 'Gluttony'.

Last year, I said that my year as Pro-Proctor had not been a huge burden. In truth, this year as Proctor proper has been rather tougher. It has been a great privilege to serve for Selwyn in an office whose holders' names are known right the way back to the fourteenth century (to my knowledge, the first known Proctor was another Hugh in 1314), but the Chapel candles have been burning at both ends this year, and I am enormously grateful to the Chapel Team for the way everyone has pulled their weight. In particular, Brett Gray was able to stay on for a fourth year as Assistant Chaplain and Chaplain at Newnham, and it was wonderful to hear that he has been appointed as Chaplain of Sidney Sussex from September 2015. We wish him well and look forward to continuing to see him in the future. We have also been exceptionally well served by Selwyn postgraduate students who are ordinands this year, and who have taken the opportunity to contribute in so many ways to the life of the College and the Chapel. Lizzy Graham has now completed a year on placement and is moving on. Rachel Beck is staying with us, and Sam Hole (the Frost Scholar) moves back to Westcott for his final year as he completes his PhD. Meanwhile, Stephen Edmonds, our Gosden scholar, and Cécile Schnyder have both just been ordained in Southwark Diocese and are serving as curates in Church of England parishes in Sydenham and Sutton respectively. As I reflect on their roles and on the fact that two of our current students are also spending their Sundays serving as parish organists in town, I am heartened to think that Selwyn is still playing a significant role in formation for ministry outside the walls.

Other highlights of the Easter Term included a very well attended Chapel Retreat at Launde Abbey in April. I was particularly taken with this year's Retreat Leader, the Revd Annabel Shilson-Thomas, Associate Vicar of Great St Mary's and Chaplain of Michaelhouse, but then I am married to her! We enjoyed a special Evensong for the Friends of the Choir in May at which the Bishop of Ely's Adviser for Music, Canon Jan Payne, spoke and was very gracious about the fact that although she is also responsible for Lay Ministers in the diocese, I had inadvertently ordained her on the Chapel Card. Then, before we knew it, exams were upon us and once again the anxious and the exhausted were provided for with copious quantities of cake in Revision Escape sessions organised by Chapel folk for the benefit of their peers.

I have said little in this report about the outstanding work of the choir this year. Sarah MacDonald has written about their activities separately. Suffice it to say here that the choir goes from strength to strength. It was a joy to accompany them to the Pacific North West and to see how people in Seattle, Sequim, Victoria and Vancouver responded to the music they made. Four standing ovations at their main concerts left me thinking just how easily we take our excellent music in Chapel for granted. As we sailed into Victoria we heard the news that Owen Chadwick had died. It was an honour to dedicate our concert in Victoria to him, and to remember his particular support for all of us in the Chapel over so many years. My abiding memory will be of his beaming smile and the twinkle in his eye as he greeted us; and of the time his legs were beginning to fail him and I asked him, rather cautiously as he and I set off across the court, if he'd like me to take his arm. 'My Dear', he said with a smile, 'when you've been a rugby player, you know how to fall on grass'. We will miss him hugely. It was an honour to play a part in his funeral alongside a choir drawn from several generations of Selwyn choir members, there to sing Stanford in B flat once more, as he would have wished. May he rest in peace.

THE CHAPEL CHOIR

Ms Sarah MacDonald, the Director of Music in Chapel, writes:

The choir has had another very busy and successful year. In October we resumed our regular routine of Choral Evensong, the bread and butter (gluten- and dairy-free as required) of the choir's existence. It is this Opus Dei (or at least this Opus Three-Times-a-Week) which is the choir's *raison d'être*, as well as its vocation (even when one lesson reader, one Pinehurst resident, and Yoyo the 'cat' are the only congregation members), but it is also this regularity of singing which enables us to perform well at the more glamorous events upon which this report will understandably focus.

Highlights of the Michaelmas Term included Choral Evensong in Norwich Cathedral, the Duruflé *Requiem* for Remembrance Sunday, and participation in a special Wilfred Owen poetry recital by Roger Williams (SE 1948) to commemorate the centenary of the First World War, in which we sang a strikingly beautiful setting of Horace's original 'Dulce et decorum est' by the Nottingham-based composer Alex Patterson. We also sang Evensong for St Cecilia, Patron Saint of Music and Musicians (on whose day I happen to have been born) as a choir tour fundraising event. Alumni and Friends of the choir came back to make a very joyful noise indeed, and I was grateful for the first proper birthday party I've had since some time in the last millennium. Two fully-packed carol services led us into what is now known affectionately (I hope) as 'Choir Week', the period after the end of each term when we have a number of external engagements. This year's

Christmas events included our popular seasonal lunchtime concert at St Mary's Church in Bury St Edmunds, and a further carol service for the London Alumni Group in the lovely St Botolph-without-Aldgate. The week concluded with the NSPCC carol service in Christ Church Spitalfields, where the readers included James Norton (of 'Grantchester' fame) and Christopher Eccleston (yes, really!). Facebook was awash with choir-celebrity selfies, as you can imagine.

The Lent Term began with the recording of a new CD of Christmas favourites on the Regent label, which will be released next year. We then sang Brahms's masterpiece *Ein Deutsches Requiem* in King's College Chapel jointly with the choirs of Clare, Caius, and Jesus, and the CUMS I orchestra, directed by Howard Shelley. We were also honoured to be asked to sing for Ruth Chadwick's funeral in early February. Two joint Evensongs featured this term, at home with Emmanuel Choir, and away with Clare Choir – both were followed by highly sociable Formal Halls. We are also grateful to the Master for providing the choir with the other social highlight of the term, a lovely dinner in the Lodge just for us (and Yoyo). After term we sang Evensong in Ely Cathedral, and gave a performance for the John Armitage Memorial (JAM) in St Bride's Fleet Street which included an hilarious setting of Edward Lear's 'The Yonghy Bonghy Bo' by Giles Swayne, who supervises in composition for the Music Faculty.

The Easter Term saw a reduction in the choir's busy schedule, which was gratifyingly reflected in Tripos results: over 50% of choir members taking Tripos exams received Firsts (including one Choral Exhibitioner who topped the Music Finals Class List), and both MPhil students gained Distinctions. Choir Week after the Easter Term actually should have been called Choir Month: we returned after May Week to sing Evensong in St Paul's Cathedral (always an honour). This was followed by Commemoration of Benefactors, and two fantastic JAM concerts, one in London, and one in Kent, in which we gave the first performances of a major new work by the eminent Scottish-American composer Thea Musgrave.

A day off allowed for laundry to be readied and packing to be redone, and we then embarked on our much-anticipated tour to the Pacific Northwest. I have been at Selwyn for nearly 17 years now, but I have not yet had the courage to brave the 'prophet in one's own country' issue, but I took the plunge this year, and the choir did not let me down. We sang four concerts and three services, in Seattle and Sequim, Washington State, and in Victoria and Vancouver, British Columbia. Every concert was packed, each was followed by a standing ovation, and I was especially proud in my home town, Victoria, to perform to a capacity audience of over 700 people in the Anglican cathedral, in the presence of Her Honour, the Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia. The choir really sang outstandingly throughout the tour. They were rewarded publicly shortly after our return by the announcement that our latest recording, *The Eternal Ecstasy*, which we launched on the tour, was chosen by Classic FM as its CD of the week, and consequently reached second place in the choral best-sellers on amazon.co.uk. The disc was reviewed by Classic FM as follows: 'The music is as timeless, spacious, and rapturous as you would hope for. The performances [...] are sublime, and the recording captures them in all their glory, helped by the incomparable acoustics of the Lady Chapel of Ely



Cathedral.' We said a sad farewell to this year's leavers (including, rather worryingly, the majority of what was by far the finest tenor section I have ever had) and I can't let this paragraph end without saying an enormous thank you to the College for inventing the position of Choir Administrative Assistant (10 hours per week), which really made my life bearable, and to the present incumbent, Caille Sugarman-Banaszak (SE 2001), who did an brilliant job of organising the tour.

The choir's year ended poignantly, when as many of us as were able, returned to Cambridge to sing for Owen Chadwick's funeral in Great St Mary's. Owen was always a great supporter of the choir, and they in turn adored him. As we had done for his beloved Ruth's funeral in the Lent Term, we sang Owen's favourite *Nunc dimittis*, Stanford in B flat, as his coffin was carried out.

THE COLLEGE GARDENS

Dr Daniel Beauguard, Chair of the Gardens Committee, and Mr Paul Gallant, Head Gardener, write:

At the start of the academic year the gardens were in good shape, with plants that had grown taller in the summer than in past years, and that continued to flower longer due to the very mild weather through October and November. The autumn-flowering herbaceous plants, most notably in the Victorian border in the lower garden, put on a very good display and some were still flowering in November. The garden was used as a space for studying during Michaelmas Term, an activity that usually only becomes popular out of doors in Easter Term.

It was a windy year so there were only short displays of autumn colour on the trees before the leaves were whisked away. Twigs and small deadwood came down too, but no trees or large branches fell, even when there were gale-force winds. The proactive tree surgery schedule aims to minimise losses, but all garden users are urged to exercise common sense when the weather is bad.

Winter temperatures and rain/snowfall were average while April and May turned out to be warm, but not too warm, so that magnolias and other early-flowering shrubs, climbers and trees were spectacular and gave an extended spring display. In Old Court the lawn was scarified and fertilised to keep it in good health. It suffered some damage during the Snowball, and then the return of the chafer beetles was evident as they pupated in May Week. While the very large truck carrying the Ferris wheel for the May Ball at the end of May Week may have helped with insect control (rolling the grass is one way to manage the beetles), the nematode treatment that targets the larvae was applied as well. More-welcome wildlife made a home below the sundial in Old Court: a colony of bumblebees (one of the white/buff-tailed species) appeared in a gap between the bricks at knee height. It presented an opportunity to observe the workings of a colony at close range.

In the lower garden the cannas were lifted from the Victorian border and potted for storage in the greenhouse over winter, along with *Salvia* cuttings. Both were quick to re-establish when planted out in spring. The bananas have to make do in the border over winter, losing a few early leaves to frost but then doing well through the summer and autumn. A layer of spent mushroom compost was used as a mulch and soil conditioner on the Victorian border and the rose beds nearby. The roses were particularly abundant and highly scented in late spring this year. A large number of *Cyclamen coum* were planted under the shrubs beside the path to the Sidgwick site, the flowers should brighten the area in winter/early spring. The product of tree surgery work around the College estate was a decent amount of chippings that were used on the woodland walk pathway. A low wooden fence was installed behind the pond for safety, and it also helps to focus the eye on the pond rather than the Economics Faculty building rising behind. It is intended that a betula will replace the damaged maple that had to be removed from near the pond. The stones in the pond were made more visible by some maintenance work to remove moss and unwanted plants, and a resident newt has been spotted, along with abundant tadpoles, frogs and blue damselflies.

The Master intends that his garden should be used more frequently for College events in summer so the gardening team carried out work to improve garden colour/shape over the summer and longevity in autumn. Some trees and a greenhouse were removed and a new shade-tolerant border was created, with an edging of recycled bricks. It incorporates a range of deciduous and evergreen shrubs as well as plants including hellebores and hostas.

The gardens at Cripps Court saw a lot of change once the scaffolding came down. At the start of the academic year grass seed was sown under the front trees, the court was turfed where the temporary path and bike store had been located, and the borders were planted up with about 400 plants according to the new plan. By the end of the academic year both grassed areas were all but indistinguishable from the adjoining grass and the border plants were established and beginning to fill out a little. The new patio area beside the refurbished Diamond was a useful addition for many activities including providing a useful hard surface for outdoor performances. The almond tree adjacent to the Diamond is diseased and will be removed in due course. The almonds seemed to remain in the tree for years, eventually falling onto the grass and then causing a projectile hazard when mown. It is expected that the final planting of trees will include three trees in the NE corner and three more to the western side of Cripps Court.

Several groups arranged tours through the College gardens, hosted by the Head Gardener; the University of the Third Age tour had to be rescheduled from a date immediately after the May Ball since the dismantling of the security fencing would have detracted from their experience. The gardening team attended a number of courses, particularly relating to keeping abreast of best practice in using powered tools as well as general safety/first aid. Mr Weekes was congratulated on the birth of a son and also his (Mr Weekes Sr) success in attaining an NVQ level 2 certificate in team leading.

SELWYN COLLEGE PERMANENT HENLEY FUND

Chairman	Stephen Spencer	(stephen.spencer@gkn.com)
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Mr Stephen Spencer writes:

We have been pleased to support the College in the exciting initiative of the combined boat clubs to replace our current boathouse with a new building in its current location. Fuller details and diagrams are on the college website <http://www.selwynrowing.org.uk>. Whilst the Fund has not made any direct financial contribution to the project, we have assisted the College with the appeal as much as we can, encouraging the engagement of all former College rowers. On 25 March the appeal was formally launched at the Palace of Westminster, hosted by the Master and Graham Stuart MP. Although numbers were restricted, a large group of SCPHF members was able to attend. During the gathering, Huw Champion (huw.champion@phoncoop.coop) was sharing his idea to have mixed SCBC rowers from over the years form two crews and enter the Boston marathon, perhaps as a regular event. Interested? He'd love to hear from you.

The Committee has spent your Fund's money on a number of activities. In March, a men's VIII competed in the Head of the River race, held on the Sunday. They came 260th, ahead of many other college crews. In April, fifteen of the men's squad were helped in setting up a training camp in Sweden (£2,500). £2,200 was spent on new shoes for both first boats. Upgrades were also made to speaker systems.

Our biggest area of support has, in line with recent years, been coaching costs which we see as a critical aspect of how we can help performance. If on reading this you feel able to offer your own services as a coach, I am sure that the new SCBC committee would be keen to have a chat! Why not?

Although this year has been relatively modest in capital spend, the Committee has reviewed and revised its capital expenditure plan to ensure we keep on top of our equipment purchases and avoid surprises.

Have you seen the new Facebook presence of SCPHF? It has been the work of Matthias Beestermoeeller and Emily Hopkinson as a means to maintain connection especially with our more recent SCBC leavers. They have benefited from working closely with the College's Development Office to align activities and purpose. It will be a great place for information – texts, pictures and videos – from across the SCBC spectrum. Having welcomed Emily Hopkinson onto the SCPHF committee last year, we look forward to Matthias joining later this year to broaden the representation of our membership.

The Fund's position as the main source of finance for the purchase of new equipment, as well as the increased support which is important in areas such as coaching and off Cam rowing, means that the financial demands on the Fund can only be expected to increase. For the past few years, decreased interest rates have resulted in a reduction in investment income and the Fund needs new support from Selwyn Alumni more than ever.

Please remember, membership of SCPHF is open to all levels of rowing achievement and financial support. We especially welcome recent leavers.

If you feel able to support the Fund, please contact the Treasurer, Brian Hornsby, at brianjhornsby@gmail.com, or if you prefer you can download a donation form directly from <http://www.selwynrowing.org.uk/alumni/donations>.

You can also donate online at <http://www.sel.cam.ac.uk/alumni/giving/give2.html> but, if you do, please remember to select the 'Henley Fund' option under Additional Details at the bottom of the donation form. Regular or one-off donations of any size would be very welcome indeed.

A number of you make quiet but significant support to the club over the years. We would like to thank you for that. We would also like to thank the SCBC officers for this year and in particular mention Nick Jones, Overall Captain and Men's Captain, Louise Kerr, Women's Captain, and David Broder-Rodgers, Treasurer. It has been a pleasure working with them.

DINING PRIVILEGES

Members of the College who have taken their MA degree, or a postgraduate degree, at Selwyn, and are not currently reading for a degree in Cambridge, may take up to three High Table dinners, free of charge, in the course of each academical year. The only cost incurred by members is that for any wine drunk with the meal or at combination.

Members are encouraged to take up these privileges at Formal Hall on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. One Thursday night each Full Term will be designated a Members' Dining Night to promote conviviality amongst those wishing to avail themselves of these privileges. They may bring a guest at their own expense. Members are of course also welcome on other Tuesdays and Thursdays during Full Term, provided the requisite number of Fellows are also dining. On these occasions there is a limit on the number of members dining, and guests may not be brought.

Further information will be published and may be obtained from the Development Office or by contacting the Conference and Catering Department on 01223-335855 or at catering@sel.cam.ac.uk

COMMEMORATION OF BENEFACTORS, FRIDAY 1 JULY 2016

The annual Commemoration of Benefactors will take place on Friday 1 July 2016. Invitations will be sent to those who matriculated up to, and including, 1960, and those who did so in 1971, 1981, 1991 and 2001. Further details will be circulated in Spring 2016.

NON-ACADEMIC STAFF

The Bursar, Mr Nick Downer, writes:

It has been a relatively busy year in terms of staff turnover, with the retirement of a number of familiar faces. In the Development Office, Mike Nicholson joined the College in September as our new Development Director. Andrew Flather was promoted to Development Officer and, following Lizzy Cole's return to academia, we also briefly welcomed a second Development Officer, Giovanni Zappia, who subsequently decided to move back to Italy.

Brian Holley, our former IT Manager, has continued to work as a part-time consultant focussing his efforts on our new website.

Alastair Harman, the Schools Liaison Officer, left the College after a year in post to take up a role in the University Admissions Office. His successor is Emma Smith, who has recently graduated from Emmanuel College. Sonya Adams joined the College as Librarian and in the Bursary we have appointed Paige Dixon as an additional Accounts Assistant.

There were a few changes in the Porters' Lodge this year. Brian Clarke and Michael Toull left the College. Relief Porters Tony Cross, Ian O'Connor and Kerry Williams were promoted to permanent roles and Paul Newman resigned but continues to work part-time as a Relief Porter. We have also appointed Peter Sutton and George Hutchins as new Relief Porters.

In the Catering Department, Tonya Gusman left the College and Coral Robinson has been appointed as a Conference & Events Assistant. Sylvia Constable has taken early retirement to live in Thailand and we are looking for a replacement Salad Chef.

In Maintenance, Richard Graves retired in December after 10 years as a painter. His successor is Chris Willis. Stella Creet and Simon Griffin left the College, to be succeeded by Charlotte Cox and Miguel Goncalves respectively. We have also appointed David Leyshon as College Electrician.

In Housekeeping, Bernardetta Halemba and Nicoleta Voinea decided not to return after their maternity leave. Mateusz Baca resigned from his temporary Supervisor role and

we will shortly be recruiting two permanent Supervisors. Caretaker Robert Rus left the College and Antonio Ripoll Ferrandez was appointed as his successor. We continue to employ a number of Housekeeping and Catering Assistants on a casual basis to provide cover during our busier times of the year.

And finally, in the Tutorial Office Margaret Hay will be retiring in July after 19 years as our Tutorial Secretary. We look forward to celebrating Margaret's significant contribution to the College later this year. Margaret's successor is Sarah Morley.

As ever, I am grateful for the support and contribution of all of our staff.

Heads of Departments, Deputies and Senior Staff 2014-15

Bursary

Finance Manager
Assistant Accountant

Mrs Sally Clayson
Mrs Jane Eagle

Bursar's Assistant

Ms Sheila Scarlett

Catering

Conference & Catering Manager
Conference & Events Administrator
Accommodation Officer
Executive Head Chef
Butler
Assistant Butler

Mr Bill Simmonett
Miss Kelly Wilson
Mrs Sue Donelan
Mr Matthew Rowe
Mr Antonio Aurelio
Mr Darren Runham

Development & Alumni Relations Office

Development Director
 Development Officer
 Alumni Officer

Mr Mike Nicholson
 Mr Andrew Flather
 Mrs Shona Winnard

Gardens

Head Gardener
 Deputy Head Gardener

Mr Paul Gallant
 Mr Sam Weekes

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Head Housekeeper
 Deputy Housekeeper

Mrs Sue Jeffries
 Mrs Gill Cooper

HR & Health & Safety Officer

Miss Sue Barnes

IT

IT Manager
 Deputy

Mr Dave Johnstone
 Mr Howard Beaumont

Library

Librarian
 Assistant Librarian
 Archivist

Ms Sonya Adams
 Mr Michael Wilson
 Ms Elizabeth Stratton

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Maintenance Manager
 Office Manager
 Works Foreman

Mr Doug Benzie
 Miss Charlotte Cox
 Mr Darran Kerry

Master's Assistant

Ms Sheila Scarlett

Nurse

Ms Diana Lloyd

Porters' Lodge

Head Porter
 Deputy Head Porter

Miss Helen Stephens
 Mr Robert Watson

Sportsground

Head Groundsman

Mr Mark Reeder

Tutorial Office

Senior Tutor's Assistant
 Tutorial Secretary and Praelector's Secretary
 Graduate Admissions
 Admissions Secretary

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

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COLLEGE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

OFFICERS OF THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

CLUB	CAPTAIN	
ATHLETICS	T W J Parker	
BADMINTON (MEN)	B C Andrews	
BADMINTON (WOMEN)	Y W Chua	
BOAT	N R V Jones (overall captain)	
BOAT (SCWBC)	F L Powell and S Gammage	
CHESS	S J Brennan	
CYCLING	C J S Nye (President); C P Winfield and H D Lambert (captains)	
FOOTBALL (MEN'S 1ST TEAM)	M J Sullivan	
FOOTBALL (MEN'S 2ND TEAM)	K H W Au	
HERMES	R K Wang	
HOCKEY (MEN)	S A Webb	
HOCKEY (WOMEN)	S O Penney	
LACROSSE	F A Oakley	
NETBALL (LADIES)	Z K Evans	
RUGBY	T R Andrew	
SIRENS	R L G Haggie (President)	
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WATER POLO	T E Bell	

SOCIETY	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY
BOARD-GAMING	S J Brennan	
CHRISTIAN COLLECTIVE	C L Gillespie and M J Hood (co-reps, Michaelmas and Lent)	
	J D Shipton and A D A Thompson (co-reps, Easter)	
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		H E Amos
LINGUISTS	O C Peel	
MADDISON (Economics)	C Tiwana	
MIGHTY PLAYERS	J R Lloyd	T A M Taplin
MUSIC	E H Bate	
NATURAL SCIENCES	R K Wang	

The Editors congratulate the following on their sporting achievements during 2014-15:

Blues:

Athletics	C L Gillespie T W J Parker
Fencing (Women's)	E E Wigham
Hockey (Women's)	C L Burrows
Netball	E R Coulter F M Lee-Barber N C Taylor
Rowing (Women's)	H H Evans
Rugby (Men)	O Exton
Rugby (Women's)	K M Holmes (President) H D Lambert
Sailing	H C H Sloper
Tennis	G J C Wu
Water Polo	I R Cooper

Half-Blues:

Athletics	J A Lange
Cricket (Women's)	C N Allison R L Gilliver C M Cullen
Light Rowing	B M J Beltrami
Rugby Fives	Z M Grzeskiewicz
Taekwondo	L Cilloni
Volleyball (Women's)	

Played against Oxford:

Athletics (Women's)	E R Coulter (colours)
Cross Country (3rd team)	F F Scarr
Cycling	C J S Nye
Duathlon (Women's)	O C Peel
Football (Women's 2nd team)	S F Pearce (vice-captain)
Gymnastics	C Klein
Korfball (2nd team)	T R Jones
Netball	R L G Haggie (colours)
Rowing (Goldie)	F J W Newman (colours)
Rugby (Men's)	O W S Coombe-Tennant (First XV and u21s) T C Jellicoe (LX) J A Lange (u21As) C P Winfield
Rugby League	J R Ashby
Smallbore Shooting (2nd team)	D M Kane (colours)
Squash (2nd team)	O C Peel (colours)
Triathlon (Women's)	Y W Chua
Ultimate Frisbie	M A Schnellmann
Yacht Racing	

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

CLUBS

ATHLETICS

Tom Parker writes:

This year saw two exciting additions to the Selwyn Athletics team with Clayton Gillespie and Jacob Lange. Former English Schools' Championships finalist Jacob delivered strong performances in the shot and hammer, coming 2nd and 3rd respectively, and also managing 8th in the long jump. Meanwhile Clayton, who had lain dormant in the first year, burst onto the scene, finishing 2nd in the 100m and 4th in the 110m hurdles. As a result of their efforts, these two were first onto the team sheet for the Freshers' Varsity Match against Oxford, in which Clayton won the 100m and Jacob won the hammer and came second in shot.

Further excellent performances were delivered by returning athletes Flo Powell, the only woman in the team, coming 3rd in the 1500m, and Zac Howe, who came 2nd in the 400m with a big personal best and what was arguably Selwyn's most impressive performance of the day. Captain Tom Parker came 2nd in the hammer before dusting off his old running spikes to finish 4th in both the 100m and 200m.

Despite the low turnout, excellent individual performances meant that Selwyn was able to finish in 6th place overall in Cuppers, beating many colleges who had much more depth to their teams.

Selwyn was well represented in this year's Varsity Match against Oxford, with Clayton and Tom making the Blues team, and Jacob and Zac in the Seconds. Clayton ran a time of 10.99 to come 3rd in the 100m and ran in the winning 4x100m relay team and was rewarded with a Full Blue. Tom threw well in the Hammer with a distance of 57.26m, coming second and reaffirming his Blue from last year. Tom will be the 2015-16 Cambridge University Athletics Club men's captain. Still recovering from a broken ankle, Jacob won the second team hammer with 49.73m, earning the award for best second team performance, and a distance that would have won all but a few Varsity Matches. The average of the performances of the four Cambridge hammer throwers at the Varsity Match was higher than the Cambridge hammer record before any of the four of them arrived here, and in recognition of this, Jacob was awarded a Half Blue. He will surely be aiming still higher next year. Zac provided the Cambridge Seconds with a big injection of points by winning the seconds team 800m and coming second in the 1500m.

Nest year's Captain will be Clayton Gillespie.

Cuppers Team: T W J Parker (Captain), C L Gillespie, Z R L Howe, J A Lange, F L Powell.

BADMINTON (MEN)

Ben Andrews writes:

The men's first and second teams both enjoyed a successful year, especially in Michaelmas. After a series of impressive wins against the traditionally strong Trinity, Sidney Sussex, and Clinical School, the first team finished Michaelmas tied in second place in Division 2. Although the team missed out on promotion to Division 1 on countback, it was a performance of which all involved could be proud. Indeed, this was the highest-achieving performance in men's badminton during the time I have been at Selwyn. The first pair – Harry Beeson and Ben Andrews – won all but one game in the season, and the second pair – Thomas Ren and Stuart Patching – scored a number of crucial victories that tipped matches 5-4 in our favour. The team's performance in Lent was hampered by injury to the captain and the absence of other key players, but the team performed well to consolidate its place in Division 2. This year's Cuppers competition also took place during Lent. The Selwyn team reached the second round, before a spirited 2-1 defeat to the eventual winners, Wolfson.

The stability of a core group of excellent players looks set to be lost when a number of senior players graduate this year. However, I am confident that players from the second team will rise to the challenge to fill the gaps that emerge. This year, the second team secured promotion to the sixth division – the team's third successive promotion – after an excellent performance in Michaelmas. I have been delighted by the number of different players who have represented the second team under Afham Raoof's captaincy. This flourishing interest and participation is wonderful to see, and I hope it will continue next year and beyond.

Men's First Team: B C Andrews (captain), H J Beeson, T Ren, S Yang, S J Patching, Y Shigemoto, N B Gokhale, L A M Bortolozzo.

Men's Second Team from: A I Raoof (captain), P M Stanford, F Khan, D J Richman, M Duchardt, R P Byron, Z Zhuang, C Y Lin.

BADMINTON (WOMEN)

Yu Wei Chua writes:

This year was a successful one for Selwyn women's badminton. In Michaelmas, the team won all their matches in the college league, coming top of the table and achieving promotion back to Division 2. In Lent, the team was faced with a noticeably higher standard of matches, but continued to achieve success early in the term, which may be attributed to a clear improvement of our players through the season. A defeat by stronger teams from Trinity and Pembroke meant that the team remained in Division 2, but overall, the team achieved commendable results, having finished third. The new additions to the team from across the year groups enabled a good team to be put together

each week, and for a team to be entered in Cuppers in Lent. My heartfelt thanks to H L Reeves and R L Gilliver (former captain) whose continued participation this year helped secure many wins. With many players staying on next year, I am optimistic that the team will continue to do well under N Brüning who will be taking over as captain.

Team from: Y W Chua, H L Reeves, R L Gilliver, A E N Johnson, N J Patel, N Brüning, J Hoppe, B M Chan, L E Chua, H S Batten, S L Thornton, A E Beattie.

BOAT CLUB

Nick Jones writes:

Michaelmas was, as ever, dominated by novice rowing, with three novice men's crews rowing for Selwyn. This was a good intake and after a term's worth of coaching Selwyn took the 14th, 23rd and 48th places in the novice Fairbairn Cup. Cycling along the bank whilst watching the race, I was memorably impressed by the first novice boat, which was absolutely bursting with energy and needed to overtake another crew well before Chesterton Bridge.

The senior squad was comprised of twelve people from the previous year's first and second boats, operating on a rotating squad system to allow each athlete the opportunity to progress. We did enter two fours into the University Fours Regatta but, owing to availability constraints, had to scratch one entry, whilst the other four lost in the first round. We had similar luck in the senior Fairbairn Cup, where our stroke man was unfortunately ill at the last minute, leading to a shake-up of the crew order and composition. Whilst our record on paper was less than ideal, we saw a general improvement in the squad members' capabilities, affording individuals the chance to develop a great deal.

The Lent Term saw the end of our squad system in order to focus on the 1st VIII, which was selected after a week of trial outings. We had a very positive early result in the

Cambridge Head to Head which left the crew confident of a good Lents campaign. However, we spent the term on the wrong end of a series of illnesses and injuries, leading to missed outings and a lack of progress. When it came to Lents this showed in our performance and we went down three places overall, which was a disappointing result after our initial expectations.

Owing to a change in the number of divisions, the second boat was required to take part in the getting on race and unfortunately failed to get on. This was an unfortunate situation – and one faced by many other colleges – which meant that a cohort of new rowers did not have the opportunity to experience the unique format of bumps racing prior to the Mays.

For the first time in three years, the Head of the River Race was not cancelled, meaning that our 1st VIII was fortunate enough to race on the Thames during the Easter vacation. The crew took 260th place in the finish order with a time of 20:47.2, beating Magdalene and Hughes Hall among others.

The other big event for Selwyn rowing over Easter was the training camp, which this year took place in Gothenburg. We stayed at Mölndals Roddklubb and rowed on Lake Rådasjön, which allowed us to row on a larger stretch of uninterrupted water than can even be imagined in Cambridge. This was a useful camp and again provided opportunities to strengthen the capabilities of the squad overall, allowing knowledge about training and technique to be exchanged in a way that could not happen under the time constraints of Cambridge during term.

At the start of the Easter Term we saw Will McDermott, Felix Newman, Charlie Cullen and Charlie Nye rejoin the squad, leading to a renewed energy as competition for seats in the First boat increased. This led to some fierce performances in the seat racing and produced a very fast crew, one which repeatedly won its category in the head races held on the Cam. Rowing as sandwich boat on the first day of May Bumps, the 1st VIII held off a fast – and perhaps overconfident – Robinson crew before going on to bump Girton and Fitzwilliam over the course of the campaign.

The lower boats had a less successful Easter Term, with both the second and third boats spooning, and the fourth boat relatively fortunate to only go down three thanks to a successful row over on the final day. Whilst these results are not what any of us would like to see, the improvements which have been made over the course of the term have been very positive, as has the participation rate. This will hopefully have sown the seeds for more successful performances next year, as individuals are inspired to avoid a repeat of a disappointing week.

Next year should be exciting for Selwyn, with many of the current oarsmen continuing their studies and able to row again in 2015-16 academic year, which should see greater competition for seats and a more vigorous approach to training. However, there are big challenges to be faced owing to the limitations resulting from the construction of the new boathouse.



1st May VIII

Bow: N J Coburn
2: M A Sherman
3: M Gallego Llorente
4: R Galbenu
5: J R Perry
6: C M Cullen
7: C J S Nye
Stroke: F J W Newman
Cox: W J C McDermott / E N Blyth

2nd May VIII

Bow: Y Shigemoto
2: B Azizi
3: H T Prudden
4: G R Cole
5: S I Clayton
6: E C Lewis
7: N R V Jones
Stroke: D J Broder-Rodgers
Cox: P L Mooney

1st Lent VIII

Bow: P J Wilkinson
2: J R Perry
3: M Gallego Llorente
4: N R V Jones
5: E C Lewis
6: R Galbenu
7: D J Broder-Rodgers
Stroke: N J Coburn
Cox: P L Mooney

3rd May VIII

Bow: R P Byron
2: J P Maher
3: D M Kane / T P Chappell
4: A A Avramenko
5: D W Turner
6: C Klein
7: J B Sidebotham
Stroke: M F Jensen
Cox: N R V Jones / P J Wilkinson

4th May VIII

Bow: J B Yarwood
2: S A Webb
3: O W S Coombe-Tennant
4: T R Andrew
5: M T Winchester
6: L D Wigham
7: S F Lumley
Stroke: W J C McDermott
Cox: E E Wigham

SCWBC

Florence Powell and Sophie Gammage write:

SCWBC started the year with a VIII and a IV with the aim of entering both into Fairbairns at the end of term. Many of the rowers had only started rowing the year before and in the lower boats. However, after the efforts of our coach, Alex Courage, both crews made great improvements in the course of the term in strength and technique. Sadly, owing to injuries and exams, we were only able to enter the IV into Fairbairns, coming 11th out of 16 crews. The three novice boats, led by an enthusiastic pair of Lower Boats Captains (Helen Griffith and Hannah Warwicker) did very well in Emma Sprints, with one crew coming in at second place and another at third.

The start of Lent Term meant the combination of the senior and novice squads, leading to two crews being formed. Five senior rowers and three ex-novices were selected for W1, with W2 also being formed with a combination of promising ex-novices and returning seniors. W1 started the term strongly, racing in Newnham Short Course, the first senior race for the ex-novices. The whole crew performed very well, staying calm but strong throughout the course

W2 were a strong crew but, owing sadly to the decision by CUCBC to continue to limit the number of divisions in Lent Bumps, every W2 crew had to compete for a place in the bumps start order. This meant that W2, despite their best efforts, were not able to get a place. This did not deter them coming third in the Talbot Cup.

Selwyn W1 started Lent Bumps with a very strong row over behind Trinity Hall, scoring a whistle on them. They entered Day 2 determined to get a bump, however bad luck soon struck and as a result of a forgotten life jacket the crew were left unable to race. Day 3 ended with a quick collision with the bank and a thorn bush, which led to them having to watch the crews pass them by once more. On the final day of Lent bumps an extremely determined crew rowed down to the start. After an incredibly strong start, they soon had whistles on Homerton. The bump finally came just before the Plough, a well deserved achievement.

Sadly, W1 were not able to compete in the Women's Eights Head of the River Race on the Tideway owing to rules requiring greater off-Cam experience than the boat had. The crew still spent the last two weeks of term training hard in preparation for the next term. The women's side ran their training camp in Cambridge, with fourteen rowers returning to Cambridge early. The camp was a success with many of the ex-novices making huge improvements over the week. We finished the week by racing in the Radegund Head Race.

Going into Easter Term the club had very few returning rowers from previous years, the majority having graduated last year. After running trials we decided with our coach to remain with mostly the same crew as in Lent. Despite the lack of experience this did not stop W1 from being determined to become a good crew and to have a successful May bumps.

The determination of W1 was unfortunately not fully reflected in our results. After a strong row over on the first day, on the second day they started with a very strong Jesus crew behind them. After having three whistles on the boat ahead of us for a large portion of the course, they were sadly bumped just before they could complete their own bump. The next day led to W1 being bumped again by a very quick King's crew.

As sandwich boat, Selwyn W1 were in for a tough final day of bumps. Determined as ever, the girls emptied the tanks on the first race, pulling off a strong enough start to put significant distance between their boat and that of their pursuers, Murray Edwards. As a result, W1 managed to row over comfortably, holding them off until Murray Edwards were bumped themselves. Although less eventful, the second row over was still very strong and a successful last race for the crew.

Owing to the limited number of women's divisions, W3 narrowly missed out on getting a place in May Bumps by 2 seconds. W2 started Mays surrounded by some very strong crews. Unfortunately, despite their best efforts, the crew was bumped three times. Despite this, it remained determined and each time gave their pursuers a fight. This was particularly evident on the second day where they were able to row over, having pushed away from the pursuing crew.

Overall, it has been a difficult but successful year for SCWBC. With so many of the experienced rowers of the club graduating last year, the club has focused on finding new talent. This has led to a promising women's side which, with continuing growth, has the potential for more successful results in later years. Next year will bring the challenge of rowing without a boathouse, however it is to be hoped that the determination that SCWBC has shown this year will help keep the club strong.

Women's May 1st VIII

T R Baron
S L Latty
J S Johnson
A S Monck
H L Warwick
S Gammage
F L Powell
M L Daley
Cox: L Orfali

Women's Lent 1st VIII

T R Baron
A S Monck
F C N Firth
S Gammage
J S Johnson
M L Daley
F L Powell
H R Warwick
Cox: L Orfali

Women's May 2nd VIII

C L E Fourton
E A Hunt
M E L Cornell
C F Howland
N M Greenfield
C P M Stavrakas
H V M Griffith
G M E Ogilvie
Cox: J M Foster

Women's Lent 2nd VIII

R M Scott
E A Hunt
C L E Fourton
C F Howland
A L North
M E L Cornell
H V M Griffith
C P M Stavrakas
Cox: T R Baron

Women's May 3rd VIII

Y W Chua
J R Lloyd
C J Worrall
E F Cavill
L R Kerr
L M Makhoul
N Brüning
H Wardle
Cox: H V M Griffith

CHESS

Sam Brennan writes:

The Selwyn chess team was created this year. We had a reasonably good turnout for tryputs and the team won all its matches. Special mention should be made of Felix Berger, Sam Brennan and Maria Wang, who achieved perfect scores for the College.

CYCLING

Charlie Nye writes:

The Selwyn Cycling Club was founded this year and deservedly, given the rising popularity of the sport. The aim was to organise group rides for varying abilities and to get out on our bikes. There was a mixture of social cycles and more high speed ones, most ending in a pub for a drink or large meal. A number of Selwyn students also competed in the Cuppers Time Trial and put Selwyn eighth in the Men's contest. Charlie Nye qualified for the University team and rode in the 10 mile, 25 mile and Team time trial. It is to be hoped that with the newly designed stash the cycling club will continue to grow in popularity. My thanks to the men's captain, Craig Winfield, and the women's Captain, Helen Lambert, for their help in organising the rides. Next year's President will be Pete Boothroyd.

FOOTBALL (MEN)

Matthew Sullivan writes:

For the second time in three years, silverware rests proudly above the College bar. The final game of the season saw Selwyn crowned Cuppers Plate champions. Cup glory, coupled with Selwyn finishing as runners up in the Premier League only three points behind first place, makes this year the most successful in recent memory.

An influx of talented Freshers: goalkeeper K T Baker, midfielders A D A Thompson and H C F Hesselgren, and fullback S L S Fox bolstered the squad after the departure of graduating players and the loss of veteran S J Gregson to injury early on in the season. Promotion of D R Alam and M J Hood to the first eleven further strengthened the team.

The league campaign was filled with entertaining football, with L D Wigham, D H Hawes and L R J Ball fighting it out to be top goal scorer. An opening-day 1-0 win against Trinity Hall, last year's champions, was followed by 5-1 demolitions of St Catharine's and a strong Pembroke side. A 4-1 win from behind against King's and a fantastic defensive performance to grind out a 1-0 win against giants Jesus all fuelled Selwyn's title challenge. The deciding game was against Downing in the penultimate game of the season. Selwyn held the eventual league winners to a draw but needed all three points to have taken the title.

The Cuppers draw saw Selwyn pitted against a Blues-heavy Trinity side in the first round. Despite a valiant effort, the game finished 4-2 to Trinity but subsequent qualification for the Cuppers Plate was the silver lining of the defeat. The quarter-final of the Plate saw Selwyn rally from behind to beat Gonville and Caius, and the team battled through exhaustion to win the semi-final against Queens' in extra time. Cheered on by a large crowd, Selwyn started the final against Emmanuel well, dominating possession and chances throughout the first half. The teams went into the interval level at 0-0 but Selwyn maintained their momentum well and scored shortly after a good spell of play comprising twenty consecutive passes. Another good defensive performance then saw the team grind out the rest of the game to win 1-0.

Next year's captain will be Alex Thompson.

Team from: M J Sullivan (captain), K T Baker, D M Kane, J T G Hudson, M J Hood, M T Winchester, S L S Fox, J C W Dodd, S F Lumley, L D Wigham, H C F Hesselgren, R E M Jenkinson, S J Gregson, D H Hawes (St Edmund's), A D A Thompson, L R J Ball, L V Diana.

Ken Au writes:

Following promotion to Division 6 in the 2013-14 season, Selwyn Seconds were looking to build upon this solid foundation. Fast forward half a year, and they find themselves achieving back-to-back promotions, having been unbeaten in the league.

Aided by an influx of new key players such as L V Diana, H G Roweth and P G Sammut, the team found form early in the season, a particular highlight being a 5-1 defeat of a rather pompous Trinity Seconds side. As such, Selwyn Seconds found themselves scoring at least five goals in each of their league matches in the Michaelmas Term, with L V Diana, J Balazs and C L Gillespie contributing the bulk of the goals. The only blip was a loss in the second round of the Cuppers Shield competition to a strong Christ's Seconds; whilst the result was disappointing, it was not for lack of effort. Indeed, the sheer team ethic in the first half kept it 0-0 going into half time, following which a Christ's sub in the second half made the difference.

In Lent, Selwyn Seconds took off from where they had left off in the league. An 8-3 thrashing of Emma Thirds was particularly pleasing, the team having been pipped to the title by them the season before. This great team performance, aided by a clinical hat trick by C L Gillespie, left the team with eight wins from eight and now with the clean sweep in sight. Going into their final game against Girton Seconds, a physical game was expected, and a tough end-to-end game was exactly what resulted. It is testament to Selwyn's character that they typically dug in to grind out a deserved 4-3 win, through rapid counter attacks in response to Girton's direct style of play, with customary bottom-corner finishes by L V Diana and C L Gillespie.

It is fitting that, notwithstanding the spot of déjà vu, Selwyn hence secured the league title on the exact same ground promotion was achieved this time last year. Special



mention must then go to last year's captain D R Alam, who kick-started the side's success and often donned his suit to return as Sir 'Alam' Ferguson in the dugout this year. One can hope these consecutive successes will be further built upon next year in Division 5.

Team from: K H W Au (Captain), F Nadori, H G Roweth, D J P Jollans, W J Zwetsloot, T Silva, Z Hofstadter, P G Sammut, J Balazs, L V Diana, C L Gillespie, L Mao, S Jeon, D V Madridejos, R K Wang, D R Alam, R E M Jenkinson, D H M Eastment, S Raby, M Ptaszny, S A Awan.

HERMES CLUB

Richard Wang writes:

It has been another successful and busy year for the Hermes Club led by the Committee: President - Richard Wang; Secretary – Craig Winfield; Treasurer – Ian Cooper; and Alumni Officer – Tom Jellicoe.

The year kicked off with the eagerly anticipated Old Boys' weekend held jointly with the Sirens' Club. The event saw the clash between the current College teams against returning alumni in the sports of men's and women's football, men's rugby, mixed hockey, and women's netball. After a well-attended and spectated day filled with excitement and competition, a dinner celebrating the occasion was held in Hall. The dinner was, as always, a way for friends to catch up. The Hall was full, with almost 150 people attending. Michaelmas also requires the celebration and recognition of the new College Sports' Captains. The annual Captains' Cocktails event, organised by the Hermes and Sirens' Clubs at The Vaults Bar in town, allowed us to thank the captains for the vital role that they play in College life.

Marking the start of Lent Term, a joint social between the Hermes and Sirens' Clubs was held at the Red Bull and provided an excellent way to strengthen ties between them. Following this, the preparations for the annual Sports Dinner began. The event, which has always been a social highlight of the year, celebrated the abundant individual sporting talent in Selwyn and the triumphs that the College teams have achieved over the year. Despite competition from the JCR Dinner in the same week, it was highly successful, with the evening being topped off by a bop in the JCR. Towards the end of term, a sports social was held in the JCR, which all members of College were invited to attend. The aim of the event was to spark interest in new sports or to rekindle old sporting hobbies by providing the opportunity to speak to College captains amidst food and soft drinks.

The Easter Term began with a very special occasion, a lavish four-course dinner celebrating the 95th anniversary of the club, making it one of the oldest surviving societies in Cambridge. The dinner, which was held in the new SCR, was open to all current and ex-Hermeans and provided a night of nostalgia and camaraderie. Rather than the standard bop after dinner routine, a trip to 'Life' was arranged for those brave enough to face Saturday night crowds in blazers and black tie.

Following on from the success of last year's first ever Selwyn Sports Day, another one was held in May Week. We decided to go a bit more 'back-to-school' for this year's, so as well as the usual football, rugby, and netball, such classics as the egg and spoon race, sack race, and three-legged race were held. Breaking from convention, the Hermes Garden Party was held in the evening after the Sports Day, at which all participants and other College sportspeople were invited to celebrate the end of the sporting year. This year exclusive to the Garden Party, the Hermes Club also produced its very own cocktail labelled as the 'Hermes' Glow', which proved to be popular with the attendees who prefer their cocktails very strong. The funds for the cocktail were kindly donated by Michael Colyer. As is tradition, the Easter Term ended with a dinner at the Hawks' Club, at which club members are united one last time before farewells are said to some of the most talented sportsmen in College.

In addition to the aforementioned events, I am pleased to announce that the Master has accepted Honorary Membership of the Club for his outstanding contribution to sport and life in College. I hope that in future, the Club will work closely with him in further promoting sport in and around College.

It has been a phenomenal experience for the President and committee to have been so closely involved with the Hermes Club this year. The Club's President next year will be Dan Jollans, a role model for College sport. The new Committee will consist of Yuuki Shigemoto (Secretary), Samuel Webb (Treasurer), and Tom Andrew (Alumni Officer).

HOCKEY (MEN)

Sam Webb writes:

The men's Hockey Club took part in both the Michaelmas and Lent Term leagues. Having lost several talented players from 2013-2014, a number of new players had some high expectations to meet, but interest in the club was as enthusiastic as ever and there were always those around Selwyn keen to contribute to Selwyn hockey.

Following a strong start in League B by beating Corpus, a run of disappointing results saw Selwyn entering the final week of the Michaelmas league lower down the table than had been hoped, though not in a position that would ordinarily result in relegation. However, a change in the structuring of the leagues led to an unfortunate relegation to League C. Recruiting more players in late Michaelmas and early Lent did, however, develop a greater depth of the squad for the Lent league. The squad proved their worth during the term by heading League C and earning a thoroughly deserved promotion back to League B for the 2015 Michaelmas Term. Exceptionally tough competition from Jesus College in Cuppers prevented progression beyond the first round. The club also participated in the Oliver Wyman Hockey Tournament in the Easter Term and is looking forward to the John's Sixes tournament in May Week. Social evenings became an important part of the men's and women's Hockey Clubs this

year and promoted cohesion between the two sides of the club and a sense of community. Notable players this year include E C Bottomley and R K Wang, who have also played at University level, our goalkeeper, E N Blyth, who is graduating this year along with E F Cavill and E McPherson, who, together with S O Penney, who will be studying abroad in 2015-16, have stepped into the men's team on a number of occasions. After an impressive first year in Selwyn hockey, D W Cadman has accepted the men's captaincy for next season. All involved in the club are confident that he will continue to strengthen Selwyn Hockey in the year to come.

Team from: S A Webb (captain), D W Cadman, R K Wang, M A Schnellmann, D J P Jollans, E N Blyth, M R Ivor-Jones, O W S Coombe-Tennant, R P Byron, D R Alam, D T Smith, W J Zwetsloot, C J Wallace, M J Sullivan, S O Penney, E F Cavill, E McPherson, J M Ayres, W R Stephenson, B W Miller, H J Shi, E C Bottomley, W R Hurrell.

HOCKEY (WOMEN)

Sophie Penney writes:

Selwyn women's hockey team ended up having an incredibly successful season despite some disappointing results in the Michaelmas Term. The girls started off the year on the wrong foot with three losses and two wins. Frustratingly, both these wins were awarded because the other colleges were not able to field a full team. These results left Selwyn second to bottom of Division 2 going into the Lent Term. However, it must be said that the team had great success in the first round of the women's Cuppers tournament, beating Christ's 6-0, with a spectacular performance from the Blues hockey player Charlotte Burrows.

In the Lent Term the team completely turned things round, coming top of Division 2 and securing promotion into Division 1 for next year. The games were won by very considerable margins: 5-0 against Christ's; 7-2 against Girton-Homerton; and 7-0 against Queens'-Clare. The Selwyn team showcased some excellent skill and relentless enthusiasm, dominating the field in every game. A special mention must go to Eleanor Cavill, who scored nine goals in three matches and was named player of the season. She will take over the captaincy next year, hopefully leading the team to success in Division 1.

Team: S O Penney (captain), C L Burrows, E F Cavill, E McPherson, S E Friend, C R Watts, L M Makhoul, J Barnard, E G T Flaherty, A C Nott, C J Worrall, H Wardle, R G Lawrence, E M Robinson, S Clarke, R C Mansfield, Y W Chua.

LACROSSE

Fergus Oakley writes:

Overall, it has proven a fantastic year for team cohesion and attendance, demonstrating that Selwyn lacrosse has bounced back from the exodus of LAX players into adult life two years ago. Although we remain comfortably entrenched in the third (and final) division of the University league, we have won the vast majority of matches we have played and put on a strong performance during Cuppers, managing to hang on far longer than last year despite the ability of a number of Trinity players to disobey Newton's laws of physics. Additionally we have engaged in a number of friendly matches, against opponents such as King's and The Queen's College, Oxford, which has been fantastic. The spirit in and around matches has been stellar; in the face of shed blood, dislocated limbs and what I'm sure will prove to be permanent scarring, I cannot imagine finding myself in better company. Despite lack of league success, the vigour with which each match and social event was approached far surpasses anything I saw last year and I hope Selwyn lacrosse will perpetuate this attitude in years to come.

Next year's captain will be William Hurrell, who over the past year has played with noteworthy skill and ability (albeit less so in wet weather conditions). I am confident that he will uphold the values of inclusion and enthusiasm that last year's captain, Hannah Graham, and I have tried to instil in the team.

Team: F A Oakley, R K Wang, W R Hurrell, W R Stephenson, B W Miller, J D Palmer, M M Hine, N C Jarman, S J Whyatt, H Wardle, L R Kerr, C J Worrall, C P Winfield, F Higgs, D Madridejos, O W S Coombe-Tenant, H P Graham.

NETBALL

Zoe Evans writes:

Ladies' Netball has enjoyed a very successful season, both in terms of wins and the new intake of talented Freshers. After moving into Division 1 following a nearly undefeated run in Division 2 during the Michaelmas Term, we were keen to show that we belonged with the big dogs. Our determination and brilliant team work paid off and by the end of Lent Term, we had won three matches, lost three and drawn one, boosting us from the bottom of Division 1 to the upper half. We enjoyed equal success in the Cuppers Tournament, displaying marvellous netball talent as well as wonderful teamwork, though unfortunately just missing out on progressing to the quarter-finals. It has been a pleasure to captain such a wonderful and talented team this year and I am sure that next year's captain, Jenny Johnson, will continue to keep the standard and spirit of the team high, with us, it is hoped, continuing our winning streak.

Team from: Z K Evans, N C Ayed, R G Lawrence, C Tiwana, S O Penney, E F Cavill, J S Johnson, M L Daley, C R Elliston, Y W Chua, A C Nott, K A Pandian.

RUGBY

Tom Andrew writes:

Selwyn-Peterhouse's second successive season in Division 1 was always going to be a challenge, but the team has once again exceeded expectations with a well-deserved second place finish. Retaining much of the core team from last year, the squad has been bolstered by a fantastic intake of Freshers from both Selwyn and Peterhouse. The size and quality of the squad has been a huge factor in our successes this year; the ability consistently to field fifteen good rugby players in roughly the correct positions, despite a multitude of injuries, is testament to the commitment of the team and the attitude towards sport in Selwyn as a whole.

The season began with a tough defeat to eventual league winners St John's, but Selwyn-Peterhouse bounced back with solid victories over Robinson and Caius, and a 40-0 thrashing of last year's league winners Downing. The only poor performance of the year, a scrappy loss at Jesus, was followed by a second defeat to John's, in which Craig Winfield's last-minute penalty secured the losing bonus point. Subsequent victories over Robinson, Downing and Caius left Selwyn-Peterhouse securely in second place, with one match against Jesus left unplayed owing to poor weather.

After a disappointing semi-final exit against Caius in 2014, Selwyn-Peterhouse entered Cuppers determined to have a good run. The competition started promisingly, with 40+ point victories over both Trinity Hall and Homerton. The semi-final took place on a floodlit University pitch, but SPRUFC were unable to overcome a very strong Emmanuel side in a well contested defeat.

Selwyn has also seen success at the University level, with Oliver Exton representing the Light Blues in the Varsity Match. Ollie Coombe-Tennant featured in several fixtures for the University First XV throughout the season, and played for the U21s side at Twickenham, whilst Tom Jellicoe represented the University for the LX club and Jacob Lange featured for the U21As. For the third year in a row, Craig Winfield started in the Rugby League Varsity match. Katie Holmes and Helen Lambert have both been key players in the women's first team, each earning their Blues in a 45-0 victory over Oxford.

It has been a great honour to captain the team this year and I would like to thank every member of the club who contributed this season. I am leaving the club in the capable hands of Ollie Coombe-Tennant (overall captain) and Greg Wallace (Peterhouse captain). Ollie will undoubtedly do a fantastic job of ensuring the continued success of the club as we look to cement our status as one of the best sides in college rugby.

Team from: T R Andrew (captain), T O Adelani (Peterhouse), E N Blyth, J M Carr, S I Clayton, G R Cole, O W S Coombe-Tennant, R Day (Peterhouse), M S Draper, C R J Eames, R Galbenu, B S Goulding, R D Grace, T H J Griesbach, G Harcombe, L Helfinger (Peterhouse), T C Jellicoe, H I Jenner, D J P Jollans, J N Jones, J A Lange,

C J S Nye, T W J Parker, L E Reynolds, B Shaw (Peterhouse), S R Roberts, N G Sinclair, G Wallace (Peterhouse), M G Wilson, J B Yarwood.

SIRENS' CLUB

Rebecca Haggie writes:

The Sirens' Club have had yet another busy year. Michaelmas began with the Old Boys/ Girls Sports Day and Dinner in October, run jointly by the Hermes and Sirens, a fantastic day of sport and competition. We enjoyed men's and women's football, mixed hockey, rugby and netball, followed by a jointly hosted dinner celebrating sport at Selwyn both now and in the past. We also held a Captains' Cocktails event to thank all the captains who work so hard to organise and promote sport in Selwyn. Their efforts and the success of the teams were further celebrated at the Hermes/ Sirens' Dinner, when each sport gave a short report and picked out their player of the season, making it really feel like a celebration of Selwyn's combined efforts on the sports fields.

There have been a number of members of the Sirens playing sport at University level, with many Blues received this year, including three full Blues for netball. There have been Varsity appearances in water polo, korfbal, netball, rugby, fencing, taekwondo, Hockey, triathlon, golf, the list goes on. The diversity and high level at which many women in Selwyn compete is a testament to their hard work and commitment to their respective sports.

During the Easter Term there were a number of Sirens-run events, with free Zumba sessions run by one of our own members. These were very popular, and the perfect antidote to a hard day in the library. The 'Pimm's Boat' was set up by the Sirens' Club again this year and while it did not manage to be selected for bumps, fun was had by all involved. The summer sports day in May Week featured a selection of relay race games as well as some more serious matches and a garden party in the evening to round off the year.

While the introduction of Sirens' jackets and ribbons for each member has been exciting in itself, there are exciting times ahead for the club; discussions have been going on throughout the year about how to improve its functioning in order to make it even more supportive of its members and to further its contribution to the promotion of women's sport in Selwyn. I am looking forward to seeing it flourish with the ever increasing pool of talent and sporting enthusiasm among women in the College.

SQUASH

David Kane writes:

In the Michaelmas Term, following the loss of some key players from the previous year, the team looked to gain new strength from new members. This strength was found in the likes of Ben Beltrami, a talented Rugby Fives and squash fresher, and Digory Smith, a

returning 4th year chemist and squash enthusiast. These additions fitted perfectly alongside returning veterans and stalwarts, including Dan Rowlands for his fifth year of Selwyn squash.

Upon this strong foundation, the team looked to continue the form of recent years, having just been promoted to the 3rd division of the college league. In Michaelmas, the team performed very strongly, with some very hard fought matches. The commitment of each team member and a few decisive games proved enough to seal the second promotion spot, the highest position Selwyn has ever achieved.

The Lent Term continued in the same fashion, with some excellent squash played against some very strong opposition. This ensured a third place finish to remain in Division 2 for next year. Alongside the league, the team powered its way through to the semi-finals of the Cuppers plate competition before being knocked out for the second year in a row by a suspiciously strong Wolfson side.

The team next year will lose the services of Digory Smith and David Kane, but will undoubtedly flourish under the captaincy of Dan Jollans, Chris Stanton returning for a third year. Alongside the team endeavours, there has been continued enthusiasm for weekly social squash amongst Selwyn members, and the club remains an open and inclusive place for sport in the College.

1st Team: D M Kane, B M J Beltrami, D A Rowlands (Corpus), D J P Jollans, D T Smith, C J Stanton.

WATER POLO

Thomas Jones writes:

Water Polo enjoyed unprecedented success this year with a continuous string of wins in the league, interrupted only by dubious teams consisting almost entirely of Blues parading as collaborators of non-polo-playing colleges. With the momentum of our league success behind us, we went into Cuppers brimming with confidence and enthusiasm. This placed us in good stead and the club managed to progress further than it has in living memory, achieving an admirable third place. This success is all the more impressive in that last year we finished bottom of the bottom division in the league, so third place in a Cuppers competition involving all divisions is certainly not something to be sniffed at.

The great success of the club this year is most certainly due to fostering and cultivating the fun and inclusive atmosphere striven for by Tom Bell last year. I have tried to perpetuate this in everything we do, by being more vocal about the club, by giving us a Facebook presence, and by reminding Freshers that the last two captains of the club have risen through the ranks from being complete novices. The Club this year has epitomised the ethos of college sport: a friendly place for people of all abilities and none to come together and compete alongside friends under the banner of their college.

It is also right to recognise the tremendous boost and drive given by certain key individuals, from whom we have all learnt much about the sport. Joe Yarwood has been an absolute rock over the past few years, as has Ian Cooper, who represented the University in the 1st team this year in their victory over Oxford in the Varsity Match. We couldn't have done it without them.

Next season's captain will be Matt Sullivan.

Team from: T R Jones (captain), P E Boothroyd, J B Yarwood, S Y W Koh, W R Stephenson, M J Sullivan, Z M Grzeskiewicz, O C Peel, I R Cooper, H J Coburn, A L Martin.

SOCIETIES

BOARD GAMING SOCIETY

Sam Brennan writes:

The Selwyn Board Gaming Society was created this year. We had a regular attendance of ten members and a good range of board games.

CHRISTIAN COLLECTIVE

Alex Thompson writes:

The Collective was active during Freshers' week, welcoming in excess of eighty new students to a free breakfast on their first Sunday morning. In the middle of the week we held a Picnic and Pimm's event, in which the story of the prodigal son was re-enacted in the Diamond. Throughout the term, a Christianity Explored course was available for students who wanted to explore Jesus's claims further.

During Lent, the Collective was active in promoting CICCU's Mission Week – a week which aims to give every student in Cambridge a chance to examine what Christianity is all about.

During the Easter Term the Collective was again active, producing events such as 'Selwyn's Big Picnic' and 'Selwyn's Big Barbecue'. These events were attended by in excess of a hundred Selwynites cumulatively and gave students a chance to get away from the stresses of exams for a brief period. At the beginning of this term the College reps Clayton Gillespie and Mike Hood passed on the running of the Collective to Alex Thompson and Jonny Shipton, who will be taking the group forward for the coming Michaelmas and Lent Terms.

ENGLISH SOCIETY

Cath Elliston writes:

The English Society has had a brilliant and memorable year. For our annual dinner in February we were fortunate enough to welcome several outstanding speakers, including the celebrated academic and alumna Professor Juliet John and our beloved former tutor Professor John Spencer. Our other honoured guest, the actor Tom Hollander, also gave an impromptu speech about books, Selwyn and English in the 'real world'. Those of us who are sadly moving into this 'real world' look forward to returning for the occasion next year, when it will be organised by the new President, Emily Wood and the Treasurer, Victoria Braid. The end of year English garden party, hosted by Dr Connell, was another highlight. Not only were we treated to strawberries and sun, but also to John Spencer's puppet show, which featured Punch, Judy and the Master's dog, Yoyo.

LAW SOCIETY

Florence Powell and Ken Au write:

It has been another good year for Selwyn College Law Society, with events, drink and laughs aplenty.

There were two law dinners in the New SCR, for which thanks must go to Allen & Overy and Linklaters for sponsoring them. The dinner in the Lent Term was especially pleasant, as we invited back alumni who had studied law at Selwyn in recent years, so that it became a rather nostalgic evening full of the recalling of old stories!

There was also the annual careers meeting, and society photographs. Special mention goes to Ian Cooper for his effort towards the themed photo, turning up with a bucket, broom and ladder! The annual moot took place in the Lent Term, and it was wonderful to have Professor Spencer to judge the final. It was a hotly contested event, with a solid crowd of spectators and a wide range of food and drink provided by Dr O'Sullivan. Congratulations go to Aneesah Sheikh, who emerged victorious having argued convincingly on a point of law relating to causation in Criminal Law, and thanks go to Gillian Hughes who organised this year's event.

It is also worth noting that a sizeable Selwyn contingent attended the Law Ball in the Michaelmas Term, which turned out to be a splendid evening. A nice addition this year was the lawyers' socials in Lent and Easter, both of which were very successful. The first consisted of a meal at Chiquito, during which it was quite a sight seeing 20-odd people sporting Mexican hats. The second certainly became memorable as funny stories were told amidst a jubilant post-exams mood.

The year concluded with Dr O'Sullivan's annual garden party. It was a chance for incoming fellow Joe Sampson to meet the group, and we look forward to welcoming

him next year. As we pass the baton on to incoming President and Vice-President, Aneesah Sheikh and Keir Baker respectively, we have every faith that next year will be as eventful and memorable as this year.

LINGUISTS' SOCIETY

Olivia Peel writes:

An early highlight for the society was the creation of the Selwyn Languages Society in association with the Selwyn Linguists' Society – the latter reserved for students reading Modern and Medieval Languages, Linguistics, and Asian and Middle Eastern Studies – with the aim of encouraging students of all subjects at Selwyn to take part in our language-based social events.

We offer our thanks to Dr Tilby for hosting drinks and nibbles at the beginning of Michaelmas Term, which was a great opportunity to meet fourth years returning from their Year Abroad and to welcome the first years to the Society and to Selwyn.

Our social events included the popular foreign-language film nights, which were well-attended by linguists and non-linguists alike, an international food-sharing meal, and our garden party in May Week. In addition to their attending our socials, it is a delight to hear that a number of non-linguists have been inspired to take up language courses at the University Language Centre.

The Annual Dinner held in the Lent Term was a memorable evening. Selwyn's lectrice Clémence Fourton gave an original and thought-provoking speech on her chosen theme of 'Languages as parallel universes'.

The year ended with Dr Woodford and Dr Willis's annual garden party, which gave us an opportunity to enjoy the company of fellow linguists without the stress of exams.

MADDISON SOCIETY

Joyti Tiwana writes:

It has been another enjoyable year for the Maddison Society. As usual, a meal at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term was an opportunity to introduce the Freshers to the other Selwyn economists and to get to know each other.

The highlight of the year was our annual dinner, which was attended by most of the economists together with Selwyn's three Fellows in Economics. Special thanks go to Dr Kolios for supporting the dinner and for making it as enjoyable as it was.

THE MIGHTY PLAYERS

Jo Lloyd writes:

The Mighty Players have enjoyed another excellent year of theatre, both in staging productions at Selwyn and funding shows across Cambridge. The year began with the annual Freshers' Play being performed in the newly refurbished Diamond, where the new intake did an excellent job of bringing Oscar Wilde's *The Importance of Being Earnest* to life. The majority of the external shows funded by The Mighty Players have taken place at the Corpus Playroom and have ranged from student written sketch shows to French tragedy. The year ended in style with a performance of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in the College gardens, directed by G F Lambert and O M Olufemi. Many of the actors from *Earnest* returned to join the cast for this performance, a testament to the excellent work of the creative team. The committee are looking forward to putting on more shows based at Selwyn next year, including the re-introduction of a Christmas Pantomime.

Committee Members: J R Lloyd (President), T A M Taplin (Secretary), S E Friend, G F Lambert, C R Watts, J Cleary, J A N Pitts, C V Owens.



MUSIC SOCIETY

Elizabeth Bate writes:

The past year has undoubtedly been a successful one for the Music Society. Following the abolition of admission charges and membership fees at the end of last academic year, the Society saw a significant increase in audience numbers for many of its recitals, and continued to host excellent performers from Selwyn, the University as a whole, and further afield.

Highlights from College musicians over the year included the performance of Bach's *Brandenburg Concerto no 4*, Brahms's *Clarinet Quintet*, and The Bachelors, a cappella vocal recital. The Society was also very fortunate to be able to host recitals by alumni Roger Williams and Marie Christie. The end of the academic year was celebrated in traditional fashion with the May Week Concert, which featured talented third-year musician Lydia Caines playing Mozart's *Violin Concerto no 3*, which followed on from Chloe Allison's stunning performance of Mozart's *Clarinet Concerto* earlier in the year.

I hope that over the coming year the Society will continue to embrace and improve the positive changes made over the past year. I offer the best of luck to the incoming committee, led by Rebekah Sturge, as they prepare the 2016 recital series to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of Selwyn's admission of women. I also thank the outgoing committee, each of whom played a significant part in ensuring the smooth running of the Society over the course of the year, and our Senior Secretary Sarah MacDonald, who has – as usual – been a great pleasure to work with.



NATURAL SCIENCES SOCIETY

Richard Wang writes:

The year started with a tour of the city for the newly arrived Natural Sciences students given by older members of the College. The tour provided ample opportunity for the different year groups to interact and get to know each other as well as allowing valuable advice to be passed on. Michaelmas Term also saw the introduction of the unique and highly fashionable Selwyn College lab coat that became a big hit in the various labs around Cambridge. Later on in the term, a formal swap was held with the Franklin Science Society (Murray Edwards), which proved highly popular. Over Christmas, Willem Zwetsloot created the design of the new logo that featured on the many items of society stash; the design cleverly features the DNA double helix spelling out SCNSS. The annual SCNSS Dinner held in the Lent Term was well attended and featured a special dessert consisting of jelly served in petri dishes with toppings that resembled microbial colonies. The Dinner, as is tradition, hosted Dr Sage's NatSci Song sing-a-long that provided much amusement and saw the election of next year's Committee.



Part four

MEMBERS' NEWS

- 1948 Rear Adm J E K Croydon** sadly reports that his wife Brenda, a Newnham graduate, has died. They were married for 62 years. Last year, she published *Memoirs of a Durham Bonny Lass*, which includes references to Selwyn and the May Ball of 1950.
- 1951 Dr H F Oxe AM ASM** has recently published two books. *The Ceremonial Swords of the Order of St John* was published in 2013 and, in 2014, *Any Attempt is Better than None*, the first 25 years of the Australian Resuscitation Council.
- 1953 Mr A F Gee** reports a moment of fame when the 50th anniversary of the Gladesville Bridge in Sydney was celebrated. At the time of its construction, it was the largest (longest-span) concrete bridge in the world. Nobody could recall an occasion when the designer of a major bridge was around to share in the celebrations 50 years on.
- 1954 Dr G M Hendrie** has composed three volumes of piano rags of which the first two, in press, will be published this year by Editions Billaudot, Paris. Their titles are: *A Handful of Rags; Another Handful of Rags; and Five New Rags*.
- 1954 Mr H D Matthews** lodged with the Imperial War Museum three requested WWII stories, namely: 'The evacuation of Thirsk 1944-45'; 'A night to remember (December 1940)'; and 'Memories of a young British boy during WWII'.
- 1956 Professor G E Connah** reports that the third edition of his book *African Civilizations*, which has been enlarged and updated, will be published this year by Cambridge University Press.
- 1956 Mr A Locke** has been appointed a Visiting Research Fellow at the University of York.
- 1958 Mr D E N B Jones** sang with the Hereford Police Choir at the Albert Hall Festival of male choirs in 2010 and 2014.
- 1958 Mr L J Woodhead OBE** reports that his documentary 'Hiroshima: the day they dropped the Bomb' will be televised on ITV and in the United States for the 70th anniversary this year.
- 1961 Professor B K Dickey** received the History Council of South Australia 2014 Life-long History Achievement Award.
- 1962 The Revd P K Lee** had his *Authority within the Christian Church* published in hardback, paperback, audiobook and e-book in the United States and Canada (and soon in the United Kingdom). It is selling in 30 countries. He has become a member of North Yorkshire County Council's Citizens Advisory Group and he is leading a Philosophy group for the University of the Third Age.
- 1962 The Revd D F Mawson** is now a Catholic Priest incardinated into the Personal Ordinate of our Lady of Walsingham and enjoying a very fulfilling ministry in Shrewsbury Cathedral and the Catholic parishes in Shropshire.
- 1963 Mr D H Gammon** was honoured to be invited to Madrid to give a lecture on a book he had written nearly 40 years ago, partly based on his time at Selwyn.
- 1963 Mr D Gethin** has been re-elected President of the Welsh Rugby Union for a further period of three years.
- 1963 Dr A Hoyle** published in 2014 a study in Spanish on a classic modern novella about a doubting priest in rural Spain.
- 1963 Mr R D W Lacey** is President of the Selwyn Association 2014-15. He has published this year *Model Woman: Eileen Ford and the Business of Beauty* with Harper Collins.
- 1964 The Revd D T N Parry** has been awarded the DPhil degree of the University of Oxford, a tribute he ascribes to life-long learning and a flowering of interest in the New Testament encouraged by John Sweet.
- 1967 The Revd R S Brooks** retired from pastoral ministry in 2014 and he is currently writing a commentary on the Letter to the Hebrews.
- 1970 The Rt Hon Sir Simon Hughes** was made a Privy Councillor in 2010; was Liberal Democrat Deputy Leader 2010-14; and Minister of State for Justice and Civil Liberties 2014-15. He served as a Liberal MP for 32 years from 1983.
- 1970 The Revd Canon Dr N J Thistlewaite** was appointed Chaplain to The Queen in 2014 and, this year, was awarded the Medal of the Royal College of Organists for services to scholarship.
- 1970 Mr S R Tongue** is the author of *David Beckham: Fifty Defining Fixtures* to be published by Amberley this year.
- 1972 Dr R P T Davenport-Hines** edited *One Hundred Letters from Hugh Trevor-Roper* in 2014 and published biographies of John Maynard Keynes and King Edward VII this year. He is also the author of *Universal Man: the Seven Lives of John Maynard Keynes*.
- 1973 The Revd Dr E S Perry** has recently retired from the parish ministry of the United Methodist Church of South Dakota. He is now writing a history of

Methodists in the Dakotas, a study of religion and decentralisation in United States history; and also an account of the friendship between his father, E F Perry and Walpola Rahula, the author of *What the Buddha Taught*.

- 1974 **Mr R J Golding** was elected Chairman of Fred Olsen S A in 2014.
- 1975 **Mr N J Roberts** was the author of the 3rd edition of the Bradt Travel Guide to Belarus this year. He was also elected to membership of the British Guild of Travel Writers.
- 1976 **Dr S G Death** was awarded the Royal Order of the Polar Star for services to Swedish literature. Her translation from Norwegian of sne Seierstad's book *One of Us* was published by Virago this year. After almost 12 years as editor of the *Swedish Book Review*, she has handed over to her successor to allow more time for translating.
- 1976 **Miss F J Morrison** is President of the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries for 2015-16. She is only the second woman to hold the post.
- 1977 **Mr N M Evans** has been appointed Network Administrator at Optimal Payments, Cambridge.
- 1977 **Mr C P Grant CMG** was awarded the 'Bene Merito' Medal by the Polish Government.
- 1978 **Mr S R Evans** is now a Lecturer in Law at the University of Leicester; and a Visiting Lecturer at the University of Law and Consultant Solicitor with Cocks Lloyd Solicitors.
- 1978 **Mr D J H Pickthall** has been appointed MBE for services to music education and to charity.
- 1979 **Mr E M Harley** has been appointed a Deputy Lieutenant for Herefordshire and High Sheriff of the County for 2015-16.
- 1980 **Dr P D Marshall** has co-edited a new book entitled *Beyond Physicalism: Toward Reconciliation of Science and Spirituality*.
- 1980 **Mr N A Rugg** was recently appointed Director of Schools (Spain) for the International Schools Partnership.
- 1980 **Professor D Wilson** published *Pain and Retribution: A Short History of British Prisons* and also presented C5's 'David Wilson's Psychopaths'. He was a contributor to the Memorial for William Brock (Fellow 1947) this year.
- 1981 **Dr M I Baines** published 'Liberalism and Liberals in John Buchan's life and

fiction' in the *Journal of Liberal History*, 2014.

- 1981 **Mr R C S Denno** sat a European qualifying examination to become a European Patent Attorney. He is Patent and Trademark manager at Pilkington; and also serves as a Lay Reader at St Mark's Haydock, Merseyside.
- 1981 **Mr D M Noyes** has been appointed Chief Executive of P & O Cruises and Cunard Cruise Lines in 2014. This year has seen the launch of the largest ship ever designed for the UK holiday market: 'Britannia', which was named by The Queen in March.
- 1982 **Dr C Hales** gave the keynote presentation on pressure vessel failures at a Pressure Equipment Design Workshop in New Zealand this year.
- 1983 **Dr C R Mills** was awarded a PhD degree in linguistics from Queen's University Belfast, concerning information density in French and Dagara (Burkina Faso) folktales.
- 1985 **Mr C C Parkman**, after 25 years in Engineering, is now training for the full-time ministry in the Church of England at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford.
- 1985 **Dr A Philpott** has been appointed to a Professorship in the Department of Oncology in Cambridge, and Deputy Head of that department for 2015-16.
- 1986 **Professor C J Hilson** last year completed a five-year term as Head of the Law School at the University of Reading.
- 1987 **Mr R J Browning** has been appointed Headteacher of Thornton School, a comprehensive school in North-West Bradford with 1500 students.
- 1991 **Miss L-A Brailsford** and Shane welcomed the arrival of a son this year.
- 1991 **Dr P R N Carter** has been appointed to the Order of Niagara by the Anglican Bishop of Niagara for services to the John Bell Chapel, Appleby College, Oakville, Canada.
- 1991 **Miss D M Isaac**, now a garden design consultant, writes a gardening column for the Hunts Post.
- 1994 **The Revd Canon C M Chivers** has been appointed Canon of Saldanha Bay Diocese, South Africa in recognition of services over 20 years to Southern Africa. He was this year appointed Principal of Westcott House, Cambridge.
- 1994 **Miss S Suckling** features as a solo cellist in a series of specially recorded films from the Chapel of King's College which have been released online to celebrate the Chapel's quincentenary. They can be viewed on the King's College website.

- 1995 **The Revd Dr S M Jones** has been installed as an Honorary Canon of Christ Church, Oxford this year.
- 1996 **Mr R Baghirathan** married Dr Seema Jain last year at Knowlton Court in Kent.
- 1996 **Mr B J Harris** will be marrying Jacques Ruthven in a ceremony at Ruthven Castle in Perth this year. He has also acquired his DipECVIM and consequently recognition as a European Veterinary Specialist in Small Animal Internal Medicine, working in a veterinary referral hospital in Cheshire.
- 1997 **Mrs E K Clarke (née Houston)** and her husband Anthony announced the birth of their son Robert in 2014.
- 1997 **Mrs L J Garlick** gave birth to Camilla Mary this year, an adored sister to Felix and Rupert.
- 1998 **Professor C J Makgala** has published *The Paroled Pastor* (Black Crake Books), a sequel to his earlier novel *The Dixie Medicine Man*.
- 2000 **Mr T J Glenn** and Juliette (née Kingcombe SE 1999) celebrated the birth of their son Jesse last year.
- 2001 **Mr T L Billström** has stepped down this year after eight years as Sweden's Minister for Migration and Asylum Policy and been elected unanimously as First Deputy Speaker of the Swedish Parliament.
- 2001 **Mr E A Dalal** is now working as a producer at Spring Films alongside André Singer.
- 2003 **Dr D Trocmé-Latter** has had his monograph entitled *The Singing of the Strasbourg Protestants 1523-1541* published with Ashgate this year. His wife, Julia (Newnham 2006) has given birth to Edward John.
- 2004 **Miss R E A Canning** is currently a postdoctoral student at Stanford University, supported by the award of the Einstein Fellowship, which is a prestigious Fellowship sponsored by NASA.
- 2006 **Mr M Maruthappu** has been included in *Forbes Magazine's* '30 under 30' list, as the first person from British healthcare to be included since the list's inception.
- 2008 **Dr Sumantra Ray** has been honoured by the British Dietetic Association at their annual Awards ceremony in Birmingham, where he was named as BDA Honorary Lifetime Associate 2014. He has been recognised for his contribution to nutrition and dietetics over the last decade through leadership of the UK Need for Nutrition Education/Innovation programme, which seeks to translate evidence-based research for the use of medical/healthcare practitioners.

- 2009 **Mr A B Shah** married Rosie Cavill (also SE 2009) in Selwyn Chapel last year.
- 2010 **Miss H B J Wilkinson** was shortlisted in the Student Reporter of the Year category of the *Guardian's* 2014 Student Media Awards.
- 2012 **The Revd G W Atha** was ordained Priest this year in York Minster by the Archbishop of York (SE 1974 and Honorary Fellow).

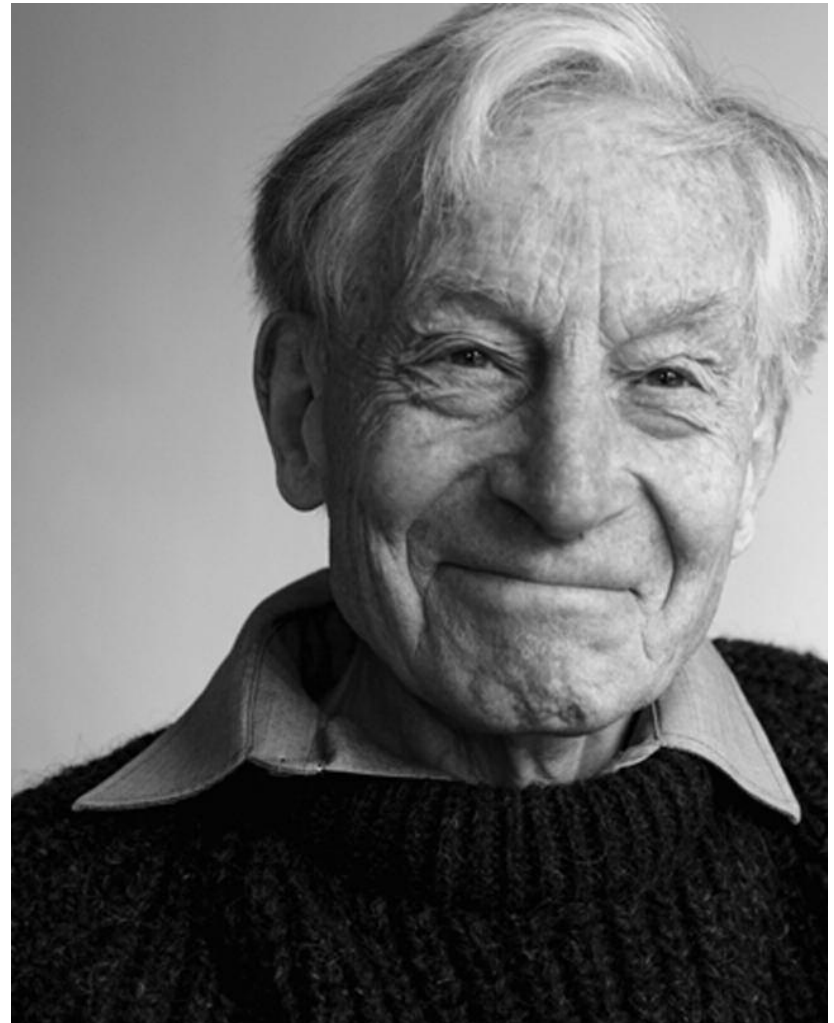




OBITUARIES

Owen Chadwick (Master SE 1956-83, Fellow SE 1983-2015)

The Reverend Professor Owen Chadwick OM died peacefully at home, surrounded by members of his family, on 17 July 2015. He was 99. His wife Ruth, whose obituary follows this one, died six months previously. He is survived by his four children, Charles, Stephen, Helen, and Andre.



William Owen Chadwick was born in Bromley, Kent on 20 May 1916. His mother Edith, and his father John, a Chancery barrister (in his son's parlance 'a London lawyer'), were both Lancastrians, and as a baby Owen was evacuated to his grandparents in Lancashire to avoid the bombing raids then being carried out by German zeppelins. He was one of six children, four boys and two girls. The second son, he was his parents' third child. His father died when he was fourteen. His mother imparted to her children her love of music but not her adherence to Christian Science, though Owen (history does not relate whether he was ever known to his family as William) freely admitted that at the age of thirteen he found being dragged off to see a performance of Wagner's *Parsifal* a 'ghastly moment'.

He would preserve happy memories of his prep school in Bromley. Significantly, they revolved round examples of exceptional teaching. A veteran of the trenches who was an Oxford-educated Oriental linguist but who had taken to driving a taxi in civilian life had been recruited to the staff and taught the Old Testament 'absolutely brilliantly'. The young Owen was mesmerised by the way the Old Testament afforded a lesson in national politics. Equally important to his happiness and to the shaping of a scholarly disposition were his membership of the choir, lovingly conducted by the Headmaster, and the latter's remarkable talent for teaching Latin grammar to small boys without making it seem boring.

In the worsening economic conditions of post-World War I Britain, the Chadwick boys were told by their father that their senior schooling would depend on their success in obtaining scholarships. John Chadwick, who had been an undergraduate at Pembroke, held steadfastly to the view that his sons, at least, should attend different schools and different Cambridge colleges. All four boys remained loyal to their father's creed following his premature death. Owen's elder brother, also John, later Sir John Chadwick, HM Ambassador to first Rumania and then the OECD, won a scholarship to Rugby before coming up to Corpus. Henry, later a pre-eminent historian of the early Church, Dean of Christ Church, and Master of Peterhouse, was a music scholar at Magdalene after being a King's Scholar at Eton. Martin, who was to become Vicar of Charlbury, Rural Dean of Chipping Norton, and an honorary Canon of Christ Church, was a boy at Sedbergh, an undergraduate at Trinity Hall, and later Chaplain of Trinity Hall for a period that began when the Dean was still Owen's immediate successor Robert Runcie, the future Archbishop of Canterbury. He was also briefly Chaplain of Christ Church. As for the other member of this remarkable quartet, Owen secured a scholarship to Tonbridge in 1929; he was wont to emphasise in later life that he was not regarded by his father as being clever enough to stand a chance at 'a school like Rugby'. It is tempting, though, to see Mr Chadwick's philosophy as an astute belief in round pegs in round holes. Certainly Owen enjoyed Tonbridge and above all for the opportunity it gave him to become an outstanding rugby player (as hooker and captain), though he also remembered with gratitude the undergraduate-style introduction he was given to ancient history. He was, at the same time, Captain of School. Many years later, and, in Owen's ninety-ninth year, Tonbridge named a new building after him. It is thought that this was the first time a living Tonbridgian had been so honoured. Although he was unable to travel to the opening ceremony, it was, to his delight, performed by his younger daughter Andre in his stead. She duly returned to Cambridge bearing the present for him of a Tonbridge scarf.

Owen's sisters were rather more adventurous in their choices of career than his brothers. Frances was a leader writer on *The Economist* before she married the Australian admiral and future diplomat, Sir Alan McNicoll. His younger sister, Barbara, became a prominent physiotherapist in Canada, a Life Member of the Canadian Physiotherapy Association, and in her retirement a Trustee of the Oxfordshire Council for Disabled People.

Owen's father had destined him for a legal career and to that end a degree in Classics was considered by him a prerequisite, so in 1935 Owen duly went up to St John's to read for the Classical Tripos. Owen himself was candid about being a somewhat reluctant classicist, and about being less good at Greek than he was at Latin. He considered the principal benefit afforded by his classical studies to be the opportunity to develop his interest in ancient history. St John's was chosen by him principally on account of its being a college that was serious about rugby football. He played for the University against Oxford three years running and captained the side in 1938. For the latter part of his tenure as Master of Selwyn he was a proud and revered President of CURFC. David Harrison recalls that he would always wear his Blues scarf at Twickenham. The lunch that preceded the annual Steele-Bodger's match was held in Selwyn for a good number of years. Those who may be regarded as reliable judges in such matters consider that, in different prevailing conditions, Owen might well have enjoyed a career at international level. In 1936, he had travelled to Argentina as a member of the British Lions. Both before and during the war, he played rugby for Blackheath. In later years, Selwyn's location must have seemed to him divinely preordained from this perspective. The promise of views over the rugby ground must likewise surely have played a part in his enthusiasm for the project to build Cripps Court.

After two years spent reading Classics, Owen switched to History, one of the immediate catalysts being the friends who spoke to him of G M Trevelyan's lectures, the other being the guidance offered by the then President of St John's, the ancient historian M P Charlesworth, with whom he walked Hadrian's Wall one vacation. It was a clear case of 'better late than never', since he had asked on coming up to be allowed to read History but his request had been turned down. He was placed in the First Class of Part II of the Historical Tripos in 1938. Still more momentous, though entirely compatible with his devotion to history and eventually so very successfully fused with it, was the outcome of a period of inner reflection that he summarised, characteristically, in the statement 'Hitler made me a Christian'. He had not shared in the feverish responses amongst Cambridge undergraduates (and dons) to the Spanish Civil War ('both sides were just as bad as each other'), and dated his political awakening from the re-arrest by the Gestapo of Pastor Martin Niemöller following the latter's acquittal by a court of law. He later spoke with great sincerity about how long it had taken him to realise the extent of the Nazi menace. It was only after Kristallnacht that he reacted strongly to Hitler's persecution of the Jews. In this latter part of his undergraduate career more minor storm clouds also brewed closer to home: misbehaviour by the Cambridge XV on a railway train, for which Owen took responsibility as captain, led to a period of rustication that would never quite be erased from public memory.

In 1938-39, he pursued his interest in Church history by taking Part II of the Theological Tripos in addition to the Part II he had already obtained in History. He was once again

placed in the First Class. The Ely Professor of Divinity, J M Creed (who was the predecessor but one in that chair of Owen's predecessor as Master of Selwyn, William Telfer), blissfully unmindful of the signs that war with Germany was imminent, advised him to spend a year at a German university. Funding was made available by St John's, but having already decided on the priesthood, Owen went instead to Cuddesdon Theological College. This led not only to ordination, but to a life-long scholarly fascination with the leaders of the Oxford Movement and with John Henry Newman in particular (see, for example, the batch of Oxford Movement-related entries he contributed to the revised 14th edition of *Britannica* and the revised ['cheerfully altered'] essays and other pieces collected in *The Spirit of the Oxford Movement*, Cambridge University Press, 1990). He would later be prevailed upon to write an account of the founding of Cuddesdon. What the disciplined nature of this training meant in terms of his own spiritual development and subsequent ministry was deftly, and movingly, evoked in the second of the two addresses pronounced at his funeral. Following ordination, he was appointed to a curacy at St John's, Huddersfield, where he remained for two years. Believing that the war against Germany was a just war, he felt called to serve as a chaplain to the forces, in which role he would surely have been inspirational, but his bishop thought he needed further training, so he agreed to accept appointment as the Chaplain of Wellington College (not, as the *Calendar* for 1956-57 maintained, Wellington School, which was, and is, to be found two counties to the west of Berkshire). It had been his intention to stay for one year, but he felt obliged to serve an additional year following the departure of the senior chaplain. It had been, more generally, a turbulent time for the school ever since the previous Master had been killed during a bombing raid whilst on Home Guard duties in October 1940. In the event, Owen remained at Wellington for the rest of the war, and, in fact, until such time in 1946 as the school was able to appoint a suitable successor from amongst the priests who had recently been demobbed. He would later reveal that he had been disinclined to consider an earlier return to Cambridge on the grounds that, unlike Wellington, which had strong military connections, the University was 'not war-minded enough'.

Such were his diverse talents that it is easy to imagine Owen Chadwick's life taking one of a number of directions in peace-time, but to the great good fortune of both the University and Selwyn, Trinity Hall saw fit, in 1947, to appoint him as Fellow and Chaplain. Two years later, he would succeed Launcelot Fleming as Dean, when the latter became Bishop of Portsmouth, and he also served as an Assistant Tutor. The College had been keen to secure the services of a second History Fellow. 'Modern' history was already covered by the Senior Tutor, Charles Crawley, so it fell to Owen to do the medieval teaching, which must have profited from the friendship he developed with Dom David Knowles, who at that point in his career held the University's Chair of Medieval History. Of that teaching he characteristically maintained: 'I don't think I was very good at it.' (His first book, published in 1950 and his swansong to early Church history, was *John Cassian: A Study in Primitive Monasticism*.) In 1948, along with his brother Henry, he was appointed to an Assistant Lectureship in the Faculty of Divinity; both were advanced to University Lectureships in 1951. He thought 'the Hall' a 'lovely College' and would remember his ten years there as blissful. Early on, he had the good fortune to meet (at a wedding in Bristol where he was officiating and Ruth was a

bridesmaid) and marry Ruth Hallward, one of the four daughters of Dr Bertrand L Hallward, the first Vice-Chancellor of the University of Nottingham, and formerly a Classics don at Peterhouse and the wartime Headmaster of Clifton. The first three of their children were born during his Trinity Hall years, their younger daughter enjoying the distinction of being brought into this world in Selwyn Master's Lodge. Owen's affection for Trinity Hall was undiminished until the last, and the college responded in kind by electing him to an honorary Fellowship in 1959.

When the external Selwyn College Council, as it then was, decided that it wanted Owen Chadwick to succeed Telfer as Master, he was not yet forty, though he reached that age some four months prior to his installation by the Archbishop of Canterbury on 2 October 1956. What would later seem such an obvious choice was not considered quite so straightforward at the time. There was no doubting Owen Chadwick's manifold gifts. There was also the fact that Bishop Chase, Master of Selwyn from 1934 to 1946, had been one of his predecessors at Trinity Hall. Owen had, moreover, recently been awarded the degree of Doctor of Divinity. Yet there was no gainsaying his relative youth, and that had caused the electors to pause. Heeding the voices of caution, and thereby seemingly taking little account of the fact that the College had embarked on an epoch-making transition to full collegiate status within the University, they first approached in turn two other names that had been suggested. It is difficult not to experience retrospective relief that both these individuals declined election. Yet when the editor of the *Calendar* for 1956-57 extended, on behalf of the Fellowship, a warm welcome to the Master and Mrs Chadwick and expressed the wish that they would enjoy 'many happy years at the Lodge', it is unlikely that either the Fellows or the external members of Council, or indeed Owen himself, imagined that Dr Chadwick would hold office for anything like 27 years. They might reasonably have expected him to move to a bishopric or still more senior position in the Church of England, and there is evidence that the Church hierarchy shared that expectation for some time to come. In the circumstances, the electors can scarcely have foreseen the extent of the wisdom of the appointment they had made.

Expectations that Owen would in due course be translated to a diocese (if not Lambeth Palace) began to undergo modification following his appointment, in 1958, to the Dixie Chair of Ecclesiastical History, which brought with it membership of the Faculty boards of History and Divinity. His inaugural lecture, duly published in the conventional Cambridge small booklet format, took as its subject *Creighton on Luther*, Mandell Creighton having been one of his predecessors as Dixie Professor. Owen's election to the chair followed the publication of *From Bossuet to Newman* (1957), which he had given as the Birkbeck Lectures for 1956-57, but it undoubtedly provided the impetus for a prodigiously prolific scholarly output. Prior to his election as Master, his publications, with the notable exception of book reviews, both historical and theological, in a wide range of scholarly journals as well as certain organs that enjoyed a wider educated audience, had not been exceptionally numerous, but it was not long before books, essays and articles, as well as further reviews and sermons, appeared in rapid succession, all, of course, composed long-hand. A comprehensive bibliography of his writings to the end of 1983, painstakingly compiled by Eamon Duffy (SE 1968), whose PhD thesis was co-supervised by Owen, may be found in Derek Beales and Geoffrey Best (eds), *History*,

Society and the Churches. Essays in Honour of Owen Chadwick, Cambridge University Press, 1985, pp. 301-17. The momentum was unstoppable. There is every reason to believe that attempts were made to entice him away from the academic sphere but equally good reason to believe that any temptation to yield to such pressure was never more than momentary, though without the slightest recourse to anything approaching cavalier dismissal of the call of duty. He knew, as did the more percipient of those who monitored his career, that service to both God and man could take different forms. No one could have foreseen, and there would have been no bookmakers to guide or mislead them, that in 1968 Owen would be appointed by the Crown, following the conventional process of consultation, to succeed Sir Herbert Butterfield as Regius Professor of Modern History. As he himself explained, there were two other (more obviously ambitious) internal candidates in the persons of the Tudor historian Geoffrey Elton (who would eventually succeed Owen as Regius and who contributed to his *Festschrift*, albeit with a passing compliment that might be construed as back-handed) and the historian of eighteenth-century England and future Master of Christ's, Jack Plumb, who had been Trevelyan's first and last research student: 'I was a *tertium quid*... Some people wanted Geoffrey Elton who was a very good historian, and some people wanted Jack Plumb who was a very good historian, and the people who wanted Geoffrey Elton hated Jack Plumb, and the people who wanted Jack Plumb hated Geoffrey Elton, so the Vice-Chancellor and pundits believed they had to have a third party who was no use, then nobody would mind.' His second inaugural lecture, *Freedom and the Historian*, published in 1969 by the University Press, not only paid tribute to the influence Trevelyan's lectures had had on him as an undergraduate, but bore witness to a fascination (shared by Butterfield) with the work of one of his predecessors in the Chair, Lord Acton, whom earlier in the decade Hugh Trevor-Roper had memorably characterised as 'one of the great Victorian misfits', and whose never published *magnum opus* was to be a history of Liberty. (Owen, who made no secret of his admiration for Acton, still more memorably described him, in his preface to *The Popes and European Revolution*, as 'not a writer of books but a man who sometimes hoped he would be'.) It was a fascination that would lead ultimately to *Acton and History* (Cambridge University Press, 1990), a volume that collected, in revised form, the nine lectures, articles, and book reviews that Owen had devoted to his late nineteenth-century predecessor.

Successive editions of the *Calendar* in the early years of Owen Chadwick's Mastership marvelled at this productivity and at his ability to combine scholarship with a meticulous concern with the College's well-being, especially that of its undergraduates, and the fulfilment of the duties that the University, the Church of England, and various other bodies imposed upon him. Near incredulity greeted the phenomenal energy that allowed him also to accept invitations to lecture and preach outside Cambridge without allowing preparation or absence to impinge on his College functions. The Fellowship wished for nothing better than to bathe in reflected glory and thus took immense satisfaction as honour followed honour. (They clearly also enjoyed the fact that the *Weekend Mail* described Owen's response to a hostile view of Christian scholarship expressed by the controversialist John Allegro in the mid-sixties as 'Dr Owen Chadwick [...] catapulting back off the ropes'.) This was above all apparent when, in 1969, he was appointed Vice-Chancellor for the then statutory two-year period. This set the seal on

the University's recognition of Selwyn as a full and independent constituent college. (The Commander of the City Police Division, Geoffrey (later Lord) Dear would recall the 'calm, common sense and essentially humane influence' he displayed at the time of the Garden House Hotel riot.) But it was scarcely less the case when he became President of the British Academy from 1981 to 1985 (having been elected to the Academy in 1962) or when, in 1983, H M the Queen conferred upon him the Order of Merit. At the time of his death, he was the most senior non-royal member of the Order, the Queen's consort having been appointed some fifteen years earlier. In 1982, he had been appointed KBE; the fact that he, almost invariably, abided by the custom that ordained ministers of the Church do not adopt the title 'Sir' did not stop certain members of the College from insisting on referring to his wife as Lady Chadwick, a solecism that still more found pardonable. In the same year, he was awarded the Wolfson Prize for historical writing. He was invited to give and preach an array of named lectures and sermons, at home and abroad. (It was sometimes supposed that his readiness to accept invitations to Commonwealth countries had to do with their importance in international rugby, though this extended also to at least one cricketing nation with no tradition of rugby football.) In addition to one-off named lectures, he gave at various times the prestigious Birkbeck (London), Henson (Oxford), Gifford (Edinburgh) and Ford (Oxford) series. Honorary doctorates, and this list may not be complete, were conferred on him by the Universities of St Andrews, Oxford, Wales, Kent, Bristol, London, Leeds, East Anglia, Cambridge, and Aberdeen, as well as Columbia University.

Selwyn benefited from the experience he gained as Trustee of the National Portrait Gallery and from his chairmanship of the Archbishops' Commission on Church and State (in 1956 he had been one of the eight delegates of the Church of England who visited Moscow to confer with members of the Russian orthodox church; Professor J. Bruce Forsyth (SE 1952) has recounted that on one occasion during that visit, having helped himself to a glass of vodka that he had mistaken for water at the end of an excursion on a hot day, Owen quickly swallowed a large mouthful on being greeted by the Metropolitan, which permitted him to claim afterwards that 'the stock of the Anglican Church rose visibly in the eyes of Orthodoxy'). He chaired the historically important Archbishops' Commission on Church and State (1966-70). He also chaired the Trustees of Wolfson College, Cambridge, and was a Trustee of the embryonic Robinson College. Wolfson (in 1977) joined Trinity Hall and St John's (1964) in electing him to an honorary Fellowship. Trinity Hall and St John's must on occasion have lamented the fact that it was no longer possible for them to consider him for the position of Head. After his retirement as Master he accepted the invitation to serve as Chancellor of the University of East Anglia.

The books authored by Owen were widely read, as they were intended to be. This was particularly the case with the slim volume he wrote in 1983 on Newman for the Oxford University Press *Past Masters* series, the volume on the Reformation he wrote in 1962 (revised edition, 1990) for the *Penguin History of the Church*, a series of which he was firstly joint editor with Henry Chadwick and afterwards General Editor, and *A History of Christianity* (Weidenfeld and Nicolson, 1995), as well the chapter on Britain and Europe that he contributed to the 'Christianity since 1800' section of the *Oxford Illustrated History*

of Christianity (1990). A second volume by Owen in the *Penguin History of the Church* series covered *The Christian Church in the Cold War* (1992). Churchmen and interested laity were eager to discover what Chadwick thought of Michael Ramsey, whose authorised biography he published in 1990. ('It will be a hagiography', Owen told his former research student Geoffrey Rowell, 'I always thought him to be a saint.') His authorship, in 1983, of a biography of the controversial Bishop of Durham, Herbert Hensley Henson (1983) ensured that it was more widely read than would probably have been the case had it been penned by another scholar. His weightiest works were his two-volume study *The Victorian Church* (Oxford University Press, 1966 and 1970), *The Popes and European Revolution* (1981), *A History of the Popes 1830-1914* (1998), and *The Early Reformation on the Continent* (2001). The last three of these titles were volumes in the *Oxford History of the Christian Church*, of which Owen and Henry Chadwick were again the editors. The broadening of Owen's interest in nineteenth- and twentieth-century Church history to encompass wider intellectual history had already been notable in his 1973-74 Gifford Lectures entitled *The Secularization of the European Mind in the Nineteenth Century* and published by Cambridge University Press in 1975, a work that earned him a still wider readership in the academic world. Research in the newly opened Vatican archives led to the Henson lectures for 1976 on *Catholicism and History: The Opening of the Vatican Archives* (published by Cambridge University Press in 1978) and the Ford Lectures for 1981 on the subject of *Britain and the Vatican during the Second World War* (published by CUP in 1986), in which he engaged with the controversial figure of Pius XII. The publication dates of a good number of these volumes tell their own story of 'Owen in retirement' and it is to be hoped that Professor Duffy's bibliography of his writings will one day be updated.

The one book Owen Chadwick never wrote was an autobiography or even an autobiographical memoir, though a careful reading of what he wrote about other men, and he never lost his fascination with the complexities of human personality and behaviour, provides many aperçus into his own. As Professor Geoffrey Best noted in the mid-1980s, he was 'delightfully good' at 'character assessments'.

The emphasis on the uniqueness of individual personality and Owen's incomparable commitment to telling a story were deceptively old-fashioned, for he simultaneously brought to bear a keen understanding of societies and institutions. That said, he was the antithesis of the professional historian with a well-defined, long-term research programme that constituted a grand scheme. It is doubtless significant that he had not begun his scholarly career by working for a PhD, and perhaps also that he was used to writing sermons for any and every occasion. While his work was widely valued and admired, there was no Chadwick school. He abhorred self-aggrandisement on the part of historians (as in other areas), and his work was too markedly individual to serve as a close model for research students. The contributions to his *Festschrift* were almost entirely by colleagues whose work in the main did not intersect in any precise way with his own, though that of the former Selwyn undergraduate and Fellow Edward Norman unquestionably did. Elton, in an essay entitled 'Europe and the Reformation', went so far as studiously to avoid all reference to his predecessor's volume on the Reformation in the *Penguin History of the Church*. That said, not many other *Festschriften* have been re-

issued in paperback twenty years on. His inclination as a teacher, which reflected his own experience as a pupil from earliest days, was to encourage the individual to develop his own personal approach and style. A future Bishop of Gibraltar recalled that as a research student he received remuneration from Owen to check all the references in volume I of *The Victorian Church*, yet the real benefit lay elsewhere: 'he knew that I would have to take every book he had used off the shelves of the Cambridge University Library to do so, thus giving me a remarkable introduction to a vast range of primary sources.'

Although his later work stemmed from his specialist teaching over a number of years on modern Germany and Italy for Part II of the Historical Tripos and was developed in the course of sabbatical visits to Germany and to Rome, Owen, more often than not, wrote because people asked him to, but since he asked for nothing better than to write, it might be more accurate to say that he wrote on subjects that others had, at least in the first instance, invited him to write about. Writing was also a way of engaging, with all due modesty, with what he saw as the glorious tradition of English prose. His much admired account of the tensions between squire and (Calvinist) parson in a nineteenth-century Norfolk village (*Victorian Miniature*, 1960) is evidence of the enjoyment he derived from writing, and in 1995 he seems to have accepted readily an invitation from the Trollope Society to write an introduction to the first of the Barchester novels.

At Selwyn, the years 1956-83 were in every way the Chadwick era, with a tripling of the size of the Fellowship, the securing of the funds (from the family foundation managed by Humphrey Cripps, who had been Owen's contemporary at St John's) to build a second Court, and the inclusion of the College in the second small tranche of men's colleges to admit women as Fellows and students. Less obviously tangible but no less real were the growth in the College's academic standing and the preservation of the best elements of its original ethos while opening its doors to those of all faiths or none. It took some time for the world at large to adjust to the idea that it was no longer a 'theological college' (in fact, it never had been, despite the assumption to the contrary made by the author of Owen's obituary in the *Times*), but it was thanks to Owen Chadwick that the transition was completed in so smooth a fashion that new batches of undergraduates were often unaware that their college had until very recently been something known as an 'approved foundation'.

While this is fully recognised by William Brock and Peter Cooper in *Selwyn College: A History* (1994), future historians will need to say more about Owen than they will have judged appropriate whilst he was still living. (*Selwyn College 1882-1973. A Short History*, published by the College twenty years earlier, had been written by Owen himself; characteristically, he had been loath to see a colleague with an academic career to establish devote time to the task.) Owen was always the first to point out that the initial steps towards the College's full membership of the University predated his Mastership, but the path was by no means obstacle-free and even he acknowledged that it had been necessary for him to have recourse to his historian's skills to challenge a seemingly convincing objection advanced by an influential member of the Council of the Senate. Much more important, though, was the need to manage the transition to full self-governing status. He later maintained that he found running the College difficult at

first, because he was the youngest member of the Governing Body, but it was not long before his chairmanship became legendary, even, on occasion, disconcertingly so. Even so, it was not always plain sailing in the early days. It was easy enough, so long as the Bursar could stump up the money, to recruit a group of talented young men to the Fellowship, but this was not always without its difficulties, since potentially it meant that the Master now ran the risk of finding himself squeezed by impatient radicals on the one side and the obduracy of their, and his, seniors on the other, though there were some egregious exceptions to such a tidy scenario. This was a challenge that Owen was well equipped to meet and in the main did. With a clear notion of what was good for the College (and for what was 'good' in more absolute terms), he would become adept, with the support of other Fellows of wise counsel, at responding effectively to the 'little local difficulties' that inevitably occurred from time to time. The decision of the Governing Body to admit women to the College, in the face of a threat by one senior Fellow to resign if that were so decided, was all the more a personal triumph by the Master in that he had not been the leading proponent of the change. It is worth noting in this connection that neither St John's nor Trinity Hall, nor Henry Chadwick's colleges of Magdalene and Queens', were among the earliest of the men's colleges to admit women. Owen was ready to respect the views of those Fellows who argued against the change and was sensitive to the concerns expressed by the women's colleges. A decision briefly to postpone the decision was, however, more than an attempt to assuage any personal doubts he may have continued to harbour, it was a demonstration of his understanding of the critical importance of timing in politics. He played a key part in making the first intake of women feel welcome and that warmth was reciprocated. There will be sadness on the part of the women of '76 at his absence from the 40th anniversary celebrations currently being planned.

The tributes to Owen Chadwick as Master from former undergraduates and advanced students of the College have been testimony to the unflinching interest he displayed in them as individuals. He knew who they were and went out of his way to provide material and other forms of support for those experiencing any kind of need. He dispensed generosity from pockets the Bursar could often only guess at. He was, by virtue of his office, Dean of Chapel, but dispensed pastoral care alongside the senior and junior chaplains, of whom he was fully supportive. Tutors became used to finding in their pupils' files copies of one-liners from Owen congratulating recipients on success, expressing concern in the event of accident or serious illness, or conveying condolences on the death of a parent. Occasionally, the note took the form of a rebuke. His support for College activities was at a level that led the uninformed to suppose that he had nothing better to do with his time.

The College staff took immense pride at belonging to Professor Chadwick's college. (Not for them the notion of being 'employed' by the College.) Only the most shy, whether an undergraduate or a College servant, would feel anything other than a warm glow when noticed or spoken to by him. If this led to longevity of service, it was most definitely not calculated to have that effect. Owen had a knack of putting people at their ease, partly through his deployment of mild exaggeration for comic effect, which invariably took the form of self-mockery. One Fellow's wife remembers Owen recounting, after his

return from an overnight stay at Windsor Castle, his amazement at the plethora of mirrors in his bathroom, which together gave him a disconcerting vision of 'fifty naked Chadwicks'. As the Staff Christmas party drew nigh, he would duly announce that it was his duty to open the dancing, partnering the 'Head Bedder' (a title seemingly invented for the anecdote). His creative phraseology and the distinctiveness of his voice continued to resound long after all other memories of an encounter had faded. The loyalty of staff towards Selwyn was essentially a reflection of his own loyalty to the College. It was a loyalty he felt towards all the educational establishments of which he had been part and was echoed in his loyalty to Ruth, with whom latterly he would sit almost every afternoon in the nursing home to which she had been admitted following a devastating stroke.

Owen's fascination as historian with the uniqueness of every human being (he was prepared to admit that 'some individuals are more unique than others') formed a link with the extraordinary effectiveness with which he carried out his duties as Master. Those who came into contact with him will invariably have been marked by his exceptional example, often to a still greater extent than they realise. It is right, though, that attempts at emulation should focus on Owen's core values and his overriding sense of service. The personality was, as his own fundamental tenet as historian would have revealed to him but for his innate modesty, inimitable.

Owen Chadwick's funeral was held in the University Church of Great St Mary's on Monday, 3 August 2015 in the presence of a congregation numbering some 400 mourners. The service was conducted by the former Bishop of Lincoln, the Rt Revd Robert Hardy, who also gave one of the two addresses, the other being delivered by Sir David Harrison. The prayers were led by the Dean of Chapel, Canon Hugh Shilson-Thomas.

Before the service, the Senior Organ Scholar, John Bachelor, played the ninth of Elgar's *Enigma Variations* ('Nimrod'). The Lucy Cavendish Singers, of which Owen and Ruth Chadwick's younger daughter Andre is a member, sang Eleanor Daley's version of 'Ubi Caritas'. Members of the Chapel Choir (recent and present) sang Psalm 84. The Recessional Music consisted of Stanford's *Nunc Dimittis* in B flat sung by the Chapel Choir and J S Bach's *Fugue* in E flat major ('St Anne'), BWV 55 played by Sarah MacDonald.

The above obituary, which was compiled by the Vice-Master Dr Michael Tilby (Fellow SE 1977), draws on a number of sources, including an interview that Owen Chadwick gave to Alan Macfarlane, Fellow of King's and Emeritus Professor of Anthropological Science on 29 February 2008 and which can be accessed via the latter's website: <http://www.alanmacfarlane.com/ancestors/index.html>

It is the intention of the Editors to include in next year's edition of the Calendar a special section comprising a number of personal tributes to Professor Chadwick, including the addresses given at his funeral and contributions to the subsequent Memorial Service.

Ruth Chadwick

Sir David Harrison (SE 1950, Fellow SE 1957) writes:

Ruth Chadwick wife of Owen, Master for 27 years, died on 17 January 2015, aged 87.

The arrival of the Chadwicks in the Master's Lodge in October 1956 was one of the turning points in the history of the College – academically, culturally and socially. Owen's two predecessors had been unmarried and during the ten post-war years Miss Telfer, William Telfer's formidable sister, presided in the Lodge. It is doubtful whether Miss Telfer imagined it possible that a young wife of 29 years, with two boys then aged five and three and a girl just four months, could possibly cope; and she did not hide her view from Ruth. Moreover the Lodge in 1956 was dark and unattractive with tired decoration from the 1930s.

Young though Ruth was, looking across Masters' Lodges at the time, her family background had provided her with exceptional opportunities to observe closely what support for a husband in high office was likely to involve. Her father, as Headmaster of Clifton College in Bristol, evacuated his entire school in 1941 to Bude in Cornwall in ten



days. Ruth was thirteen at the time. He later became the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Nottingham when it received its Royal Charter. Her grandmother was the wife of Dr Arthur Tait, the third Principal of Ridley Hall. Ruth well understood that she would have a role that was without a job description, salary, induction or training. Those who were there report that Ruth's youth caused little short of a sensation amongst undergraduates in Chapel on the Chadwicks' first Sunday in Selwyn, with Owen down to preach.

The Chadwicks' 27 years in the Lodge stand far beyond the 7-10 years now common for Heads of Colleges in Cambridge. This of course meant that for some years Ruth was one of the most senior in that position, a fact well recognised and gratefully remembered by those who sought her calm advice which was always framed in practical terms, as my wife discovered when she talked to Ruth about our move from Cambridge to Keele University in 1979. Among other matters, Ruth said 'get used to buying your tights in bulk because you may have little time to deal with an emergency.'

She gave birth to a second daughter in the Lodge just after Christmas 1962. As very much a young mother herself, she was particularly well placed to relate to and support other young mothers in the Fellowship and the College staff. This was enormously appreciated. The Lodge and its garden were made delightful and welcoming spaces. Her contacts with individuals of all sorts were special because she always managed to give her undivided attention. Her linguistic skills also found a useful place with overseas visitors and travel abroad and, on occasion editorially, with Owen's work. Giving her total support to Owen included being an effective gate-keeper to stray callers when he was working but also curbing the number of interruptions arising naturally from four boisterous children.

Ruth was a most gracious hostess and she moved with astonishing ease whether it was meeting with Cambridge's Royal Chancellor, the Archbishop of Canterbury, an industrial tycoon, or a shy first-year undergraduate. She was once asked how she did it, to which she replied 'I just get them to talk about themselves, and it's wonderfully interesting.'

Ruth was 'the lady in the Lodge' to 20 generations of Selwyn men and 7 years of men and women at the College, which comes to about 3,000 people, some of whom with their fond memories were able to be present in a full Chapel for her funeral on 5 February 2015.

W R Brock (Fellow SE 1947)

Professor John Morrill (Fellow SE 1975) writes:

The painting of William Brock by James Hart Dyke in the New SCR speaks volumes. He looks directly at the viewer with kind eyes. He is wearing a brown jacket and red tie, nicely semi-formal, and there are accentuated creases in the shirt. There is nothing remotely stuffy about him at all. And although the mouth is relaxed and 'straight', the cheeks are on the brink of a smile. The portrait radiates the kindness and benevolence we all knew so well.

William relished life. In the tributes to him at the memorial event in May 2015, his relish for good wine, and his gourmand as well as gourmet appreciation of it, is a recurring theme. But I like the comment of David Wilson, William's last PhD supervisee, that William believed in holistic education, introducing his students not only to History but to all good things. 'He taught me about wine, Art, books, music and, above all, have I mentioned wine?' I do not know how aware William was of his invention of 'Brocking the Port' ('keep it moving, keep it moving'), but it was a cheerful cry to hear whenever he was at dessert, which was happily very frequent until very close to the end of his life. Well into his nineties, he was the most inveterate attendee at all formal dinners (matriculation, graduation, History Society, Association, etc) and he came without any sense of duty. He came because he loved interacting with young people and in sharing his experiences of life in and far beyond Cambridge with them.

He was a Fellow of Selwyn for an improbable 67 years. When he joined the Fellowship, the College had been open for 65 years. He gets more than half-way back to our foundation. He was absent from it for fourteen years (1967-81) as the Professor of Modern History at Glasgow (glaas-go as he would say it) but only in body, not in spirit. I first met him in 1975 when I was a young lecturer at Stirling, waiting to move to Selwyn and he came to give a lecture. I mentioned my imminent move to him over an indifferent Spanish Burgundy, and he showed an immediate interest and concern and urged me to visit him in the magnificent house in University Gardens in Glasgow, which was one of the grace-and-favour residences for the Professors in the original disciplines. There, over a rather superior wine, he shared his passion for Selwyn and hopes for my time there. And what makes this so impressive is that while a Chair in Glasgow had had its pulls, he had also experienced pushes. He had been shamefully passed over for a Readership in American History at Cambridge (he, who, to help the Faculty out, changed field in 1952-53, to introduce American History to the Faculty) and a deeply erudite dullard had been appointed instead, and his unrealistic hopes of becoming Senior Tutor in Selwyn had also been disappointed. He bore no grudges in this, or as far as I can see, in any other matter. There were no great insecurities in him. Thus, the minute he retired from Glasgow and he and Helen returned to live in that splendid and spacious flat on Barton Road where he was to stay for the remaining 33 years of his life, he threw himself totally into heading up the College centenary appeal. This considerably exceeded its ambitious target. New kitchens were built and the old kitchens below the Hall transformed into the Chadwick Room and student bar. Scholarships were created, two Research Fellowships endowed, and the Cripps Feast funded. At the end of the day, the Governing Body had to decide what to do with the surplus: a shortlist of two was agreed – a new organ for the Chapel or an extension to the College Library. Amongst the Fellows there was a majority of one in favour of the organ; but the three student representatives all voted for the Library extension and for the only time since they gained their votes on the GB/Council, their votes made a difference (their voices have much more often made a difference). William was delighted. He had set up a staff-student liaison committee at Glasgow and said that we should always listen to what students had to say, and to act upon their views. As David Wilson, who sat on that committee in Glasgow, put it: 'He didn't want to pay lip service to student opinion but to reflect on what those opinions meant about how their education was delivered and managed.' The decision on the Library was living proof of that.

He transformed all the institutions he was in. In his tribute on the memorial day, David Harrison testifies that 'he made an impact on the life of the College that it is difficult to imagine today.' He was everywhere to be seen (except the banks of the Cam). He enlivened the History Society, he established the undergraduate Wine Society (and transformed the College cellars), he encouraged the Music Society, he was (very much in partnership with Helen) a benign and hugely sociable Tutor, but above all he brought distinction to the teaching of History. The essence of his teaching was that substance trumped style, but that arguments had to be clear and they had to be committed. He advocated passion in scholarship. He was exacting, but always with warm encouragement. And his teaching was frequently enlivened by libations of one kind or another. Lucky the man (this is pre-1975) who got a supervision at 6pm (or even 5pm). And although his lectures were thorough, clear and urbane, what made them stick in the memory for those I have spoken to was 'Brock's break'. Quite clear that students needed to rest their minds half-way through a lecture, he would stop on the half hour and eat a Mars bar and then resume where he had left off.

He hated being put on any kind of pedestal: John Thompson, Fellow of Catz and his eventual replacement in the Faculty, said that he was dismayed when John introduced him to a third party as 'my former supervisor'. He thought of himself by then as friend and equal. More recently, he would introduce himself at gatherings of historians as 'exhibit A from the distant past'. He was very proud to be elected to a Fellowship in the British Academy in 1990 but rarely referred to it outside the Academy. In his stories he sent himself up rather than promoting his self-importance. Mike Sewell reminds me that one of his best anecdotes was that he was once called in by his Tutor at Trinity and fined for not wearing his gown in the town. He was also rebuked for having been seen going into the Baron of Beef 'where the barmaids were reputed to serve more than just beer.'

He came to Selwyn in 1947 from Trinity where he had been a Scholar and a Prize Fellow. He had also taught for a year at Eton before George Chase called him back to a Fellowship at Selwyn (a University post came two years later and he began the same day as Geoffrey Elton and Walter Ullmann, not a bad trio!). From Trinity to pre-1957 Selwyn: That might seem like Dives coming to join Lazarus, and indeed the gulf in esteem between Trinity and Selwyn in 1947 is unimaginable now, but Chase had chosen well. For the grandness of Trinity had not spoiled a young man from a humble background, who had been a scholarship boy at Christ's Hospital, a school exclusively for the children of parents of very limited means. He had also had an unglamorous war, defending Jamaica. William was fond of poking fun at his war service: he had determined, he said in his speech at the dinner in honour of his 90th birthday, to defend Jamaica to the last Brock; and on another occasion, he said the presence of Brocks on Jamaica had obviously deterred the Germans from all thought of invasion.

He was extraordinarily active well into his 90s. He loved being Senior Fellow (much to the irritation of Donald Welbourn, elected later than William but continuously in residence including the period when William was in Glasgow, but deemed to have lesser seniority) and he presented Fellows and Scholars at their installation to successive Masters with real aplomb. He attended the American History Graduate Seminar actively

and engagingly. One great blessing was that there was no dimming of intellect or memory even at the end of his life. He was cursed by increasing deafness, which was a real frustration, and although he needed a motorised scooter to get to the College, he managed the stairs (more steadily going up than coming down, he would ruefully admit) to the very end. He had an unquenchable love of life which even major surgery for cancer in his seventies, which rendered him unable to take red meat, but not (*laus deo!*) red wine, and even the loss of Helen, soul-mate as well as wife, just after the Millennium only dulled his relish for a while.

He was one of Selwyn's most distinguished scholars. Thirteen of his books are listed in the CUL catalogue, ten of them on the History of the United States from the Revolution of the 1770s to the present, which required major 'retooling' as he approached forty. As a Prize Fellow of Trinity, and aged 23, he had won the University's Thirlwall Prize for the most brilliant extended study by someone *in statu pupillari* for his study of *Lord Liverpool and Liberal Toryism 1820-1827*. This was based on two years of work and was published in 1941, proof-read in a barrack room. It is a work that shows outstanding promise: it seeks resolutely, even trenchantly, to upgrade the intellectual and political reputation of a statesman that History and historians had dismissed. Liverpool had suffered, William wrote, 'an undeserved eclipse, and had a considerable though not ostentatious influence upon the course of nineteenth-century English history,' and this is typical of his lucid, calm, precise prose. His next – and, at 592 pages, his longest – book (published in 1951) was *Britain and its Dominions*, which examines 'the unique concept of dominion status within a Commonwealth of Nations as the result of the need for common action without central control.' He insisted that this unique development, previously the preserve of political scientists, needed to be constructed and understood historically. Astonishingly both these books are still in print.

Once he had retooled as a historian of America, mastering a *huge* backlog, he wrote four major monographs and a series of works for students and wider publics. His monographs were always based on an in-depth analysis of public records that were neglected and unfashionable but which yielded rich and resonant studies – in 1963, *An American Crisis: Congress and Reconstruction 1865-1867*, in 1979, *Parties and Political Conscience 1840-1850* and in 1984, *Investigation and Responsibility: Public Responsibility in the United States, 1865-1900*. This last book looks at the legal, administrative and political dimensions of the rise of state regulation in the post-civil-war period (boards regulating public health, the labour market, railroads, etc). Finally, in 1988, he published *Welfare, Democracy, and the New Deal*. These are all *enterprising* studies, startling and with ripple effects into wide areas of study. Most US political historians are happy to master one or two presidencies. William mastered twelve.

Alongside these research monographs were works for students: a guide to the sources of US History 1789-1890 for CUP, *Scotus Americanicus*, a survey of the sources for links between Scotland and America in the eighteenth century (to which Helen contributed a chapter on Scottish doctors in America and on American doctors who studied in Scotland), and a volume on *Conflict and Transformation: the United States, 1844-1877*, in a multi-volume Penguin History, published in 1976. Note that. He was awarded the most important volume in the whole series, the volume on the origins, course and consequences of the

American Civil War. In a series where top scholars from both sides of the Atlantic were recruited for high-profile, high-prestige volumes, he got the plum job.

There are two other books of exceptional interest and quality. He announced his entry to American History with what is now a classic – *The Character of American History* (1960) – not a text book, but a series of shrewd and really telling essays. This is how he describes it in his preface to the first edition: 'this book is intended primarily for those with little previous knowledge of the history of the United States... The main concern of the book is with politics in their broadest sense, with the art of living together in society, and I have chosen the incidents and arguments which seem to me to throw most light upon American political evolution.' It succeeds brilliantly. He conceptualises and delivers this programme with that characteristic calm energy. There is something muscular and vital in his prose which is in contrast to the nervous bonhomie of his conversation.

Finally there is *The Evolution of American Democracy* (1970). This is a truly remarkable book for its sweep and imagination. It is a study of the changing idea of democracy within American society and culture across 300 years. There are no footnotes, but the learning is prodigious and lightly worn. It is again a book which says there is a historical logic to the way things have been and are which is more important than the logic of a political or a social scientist. And right at the end there is a vignette that shows William's exceptional ability to think laterally. There is no bibliography, but an eight-page



discursive essay on 'further reading'. This in turn culminates with a section headed 'The books yet unwritten'. In prophetic voice, he talks about how our understanding of the past would be shaped by new forces in what was then contemporary society: 'black historians may regard white institutions and controversies as irrelevant...others, white and black will argue that racial conflict should be seen as the central theme of American History. White radicals, with their hatred of organised capitalism and their suspicion of organised government, may succeed in presenting a view of the past that challenges some of the basic premises of American democracy. On the far right, the frantic cries against Big Government may lead in time to a measured reconsideration of the case of individualism and local self-government.' Perceptive, percipient, pellucid.

William was well recognised in the UK as one of the leading historians of America over here. Tony Badger, Professor of American History in Cambridge from 1992 to 2014 said, at William's memorial, 'two historians more than any others gave intellectual credibility to the study of American history here in Cambridge in the last fifty years.' One was William and one was Mike O'Brien (1948-2015). The FBA confirms it. But William's reputation in the USA was higher still. Tony Badger had anecdotes about his stellar standing over there and Mike Sewell tells me that about 25 years ago, he was sought out and greeted by the great John Hope Franklin (doyen of Black American Historians) with the words 'I wanted to be introduced to the young man who is at Brock's College.'

Such a reputation rested on a zest for scholarship, a zest for seeking out and scouring the archives, a zest to communicate. In scholarship as in life itself, William Brock was a gourmet – and a gourmand – and we are all the better for having shared his passions with him.

A P Hillier (Fellow SE 1971)

Dr Mike Young (Fellow SE 1975) writes:

Tony Hillier's life fell distinctly into the 'game of two halves' category. In the College and in the then Department of Physiology, we knew him as an outstanding teacher of Physiology, possessed of a deep knowledge of the subject. In later years the village of Histon and beyond knew him as the possessor of a garden on the Cottenham Road filled with a collection of remarkable metal sculptures and open to all, especially the local schools.

A determination to become a physiologist seems to have come early in Tony's schooldays in Birmingham. A State Scholarship took him to Trinity College, where he proceeded to gain a First in both parts of the Natural Sciences Tripos. This was followed by three years as a research student and, subsequent to his PhD, a brief period as a Research Fellow at Trinity. Happily, following his appointment to a University Lectureship in the Department of Physiology, his next move was to Selwyn as a full Fellow. However, Tony brought more with him from Trinity than a collection of academic awards. In 1967 a mutual friend had introduced him to one of the librarians, Joan, and in 1968 he and Joan embarked on 46 years of happy marriage that was to be the foundation on which all that he did rested.

There will be a number who read these pages who will remember Tony's lectures to undergraduates in the Department of Physiology as both entertaining and informative – Joan says that he would try all the jokes out on her the night before. The thyroid and respiration physiology were his areas of special interest, but it was teaching more than research that became his main contribution. As Tony himself later wrote, it was 'a job I absolutely adored; I love students.' All the while he was engaged in his lifelong love of art, initially paintings, drawings and ceramics. For some years the walls of the main lecture theatre in Physiology had a gallery of superb drawings that he had done of former Heads of Department and Nobel Prize Winners. Two of his paintings, an imagined medieval roofscape and the crown of an autumnal tree, hang in the Tower Room in College. However, it was to be metalwork for which he became best known.

There was probably no simple connection between the metalwork phase and his love of cycling, although he did once build a tandem, which was a combination of a semi-recumbent for him and a Raleigh Shopper for Joan; an idiosyncratic creation entirely in keeping with its inventor. It was short-lived. Joan put her foot down; it was it or her. However, he and Joan would set off every year cycling in Italy and France on Raleigh Shoppers, a design intended for the suburban high street rather than alpine passes, although it has to be said that Tony had equipped them with 10-speed gears. I can testify that candidates for interview could find themselves puzzling over the physics of the bicycle, although Tony was far too kindly to leave them struggling for long. He could never resist slipping in a bit of teaching.

Tony took early retirement from his University Lectureship and devoted himself with energy to his metal sculptures; imaginative, entertaining and worked with great skill, mostly from sheet metal. None were ever made for sale, but Tony was more than happy to donate them to schools and other public spaces. A visit to the garden of 99 Cottenham Road was a highlight of the Histon Primary School year. The children were welcome to climb on the sculptures or bang them to see what sounds they made – not something, as an interviewer from the Cambridge News pointed out, that visitors to the Fitzwilliam Museum were encouraged to do. A whimsical figure of a lecturer holding a skull stands in front of the Anatomy Building on the Downing site. At the time of writing others could still be enjoyed on Tony's website: www.hilliersculpture.co.uk. Tony suffered a major stroke in December 2013, from which he never recovered. He died peacefully at home.

Tony had more than a little of the classic eccentric Cambridge Don about him, but underneath was a man of great ability and warmth. We look back on his years at Selwyn with very fond memories.

A W James (Fellow SE 1963-68)

Professor Vivian Nutton (SE 1962, Fellow SE 1967-77 and Honorary Fellow SE 2009) writes:

Alan James, who died in Sydney on 22 May 2015, came up to King's from the Priory Grammar School, Shrewsbury, to study Classics. He was a brilliant Greek scholar, with

a remarkable sympathy for the nuances of ancient Greek of all periods, and obtained a starred First and a Chancellor's Medal in 1960. On finishing his PhD, which included periods away in Freiburg and Vienna, he was appointed a Research Fellow at Selwyn, and later Fellow and Director of Studies in Classics. The College's first professional Classicist, he also became Librarian and acted as the Secretary of the Governing Body, before moving in 1968 to the University of Sydney as Lecturer in Greek. He was amused to find that he was given the office once occupied by another famous classicist immigrant, Enoch Powell. He remained in Sydney for the rest of his career, holding various offices there and in regional and national Classical Associations. His eminence was recognised by his election in 2006 to the Australian Academy of the Humanities.

His main, and in the 1960s very unusual, interest was in Greek poetry written in the period of the Roman Empire. His PhD had been on Oppian, the author of a poem on fishing, and his major works were a translation of, and a part-commentary on, *Quintus of Smyrna*, a late imitator of Homer, whose account of the last stages of the Trojan War influenced many writers down to the seventeenth century. These were pioneering studies, demanding a detailed understanding of Greek literature over many centuries, as well as of Greek manuscripts, in order to identify allusions within a variety of poetic descriptions. They are not entirely superseded by modern computerised searches, which, although useful, need to be supplemented by long immersion in neglected and sometimes almost inaccessible authors in order to appreciate the literary art of their authors.

This careful and precise scholarship was typical of Alan the person, whose quiet manner disguised the formidable range of his learning and his passion for literature in many languages. An excellent teacher, he sought to make the classical texts come alive, even if Selwyn undergraduates' attempts at interpreting Greek tragedy in a termly reading group must have sorely exercised him.

He married his wife, Theresa, a lecturer in English at the University of Singapore, when he was at Selwyn, and our condolences go to her, his two sons Conrad and William, and their families.

D Anderson (SE 1938)

The Revd David Anderson was born at Hebburn on Tyneside and was educated at the Royal Grammar School, Newcastle upon Tyne, before winning a scholarship to Selwyn to read English. His studies were interrupted by World War II, during which he volunteered to learn Japanese and was posted to Burma as a translator.

After the War, he trained for ordination at Wycliffe Hall, served a curacy in Sunderland, and then joined the staff of the theological college St Aidan's, Birkenhead.

In 1953 he married Helen Robinson and they had three children. Helen died in August 2006.

From 1956, he spent several years in Nigeria as Principal of Melville Hall in Ibadan, which, during his time there, merged with a Methodist training institute to form Immanuel College.

In 1962, Anderson was appointed Principal of Wycliffe Hall, Oxford. He introduced a new style of leadership that was more democratic and relaxed. Staff and students were considered equals.

He was fascinated by philosophical theology, especially existentialism. His favourite authors were Søren Kierkegaard, Nicholas Berdyaev, and Gabriel Marcel – and Nietzsche was a great influence on his thinking. He argued strongly for more relevance in Christian theology and education, and for radical changes to ordination training. He wrote: 'I want us to be wide open to every confrontation, every discovery, every challenge, recognising that only so can our faith develop in vigour, comprehension and relevance.'

As an ecumenist, he tried hard to merge Wycliffe Hall with Mansfield College, a Congregationalist foundation. However, in 1969, when negotiations were at an advanced stage, the Council at Wycliffe Hall decided to pull out of the merger.

The theological approach that he pioneered did not find favour with the wider Anglican Evangelical movement and ordinand numbers declined to such a level that it was possible that Wycliffe Hall might have to close. The Wycliffe Council had no choice but to ask for his resignation and he felt he had no alternative but to agree to their request.

Anderson then spent a year writing a book on Simone Weil (SCM Press, 1971) before taking up his final post as Head of Religious Studies at Wall Hall Teacher Training College in Hertfordshire.

He died on 30 December 2014, aged 95. He is survived by his three children, Margaret, Christine and Jeremy, and five grandchildren.

This obituary is based on one published in The Church Times on 30 January 2015.

M M Brown (SE 1951)

Michael Brown had an illustrious career and travelled widely. He was born in Leicester, the eldest of four children. His father ran an advertising agency and his mother was a journalist who also wrote children's books. The family was also very involved with the Little Theatre, Leicester, where they met the Attenborough family. At the time Professor Attenborough was principal of University College, Leicester. Michael was sent to Wyggeston Grammar School, where the Attenborough boys Richard, David and John were also educated. After completing his National Service in the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, he came up to Selwyn to read Natural Sciences. However, when he discovered that Physics undergraduates had to work on Wednesday afternoons, he quickly changed to Economics, which meant that he could take part in the activities of the University Dramatic Society.

He joined Unilever and helped to set up Research Bureau Limited, one of the first market research companies in the United Kingdom. He was then sent to New York for a year and started a market research unit on Madison Avenue. He often said that *Mad Men* was an apt description of life in Madison Avenue in the sixties. Back in Britain he started his own consultancy and also became Technical Director of the Newspaper Publishers Association.

The 1970s was a particularly eventful time for him. He became editor of the IMRA (Industrial Market Research Association) Journal and it was then that he met his wife, Diana. He also founded Sigmatext, a publishing house and Diana joined him to run the company. He was also consultant to the South African Advertising Research Foundation (SAARF). Then SAARF made Michael an attractive offer which he could not refuse. They appointed him Technical Director and he and Diana worked in Johannesburg for four years. On their return he was made Director of Research Surveys of Great Britain and continued as Technical Director of the National Readership Survey (NRS).

His reputation in Britain and throughout the world was high and he was sought by the great and the good. He was elected president of EMRO (European Media Research Organisation) which has a world-wide network. After his 'retirement' Michael continued to be Technical Director of the NRS, finally retiring properly at the age of 75. Having moved to Llanidloes (mid-Wales) in 2001, he involved himself with local and family history, the publication of a local history and creative writing, a bit of amateur dramatics and helping to spruce up Caersws railway station.
This obituary is taken from An Appreciation by Reginald Massey.

T F Buckingham (SE 1955)

His widow Elizabeth writes:

Fergus was born in Folkestone, went to Salisbury Cathedral School during the war and then Lancing College. A schoolfriend recently described Dr Goodier there as having switched them on to science for life, in just one year in the sixth form. Fergus must have picked up an interest in radar from him and managed to spend his National Service teaching this topic at RAF Yatesbury. He talked little about Selwyn, but followed what he could about it. When we married in 1967, I saw him reading science articles and thought then he might be quite an academic! He recommended that I read *Physics for the Enquiring Mind* to get some idea of all this.

He had been teaching at Denstone College, near Uttoxeter, for eleven years by then, was preoccupied with making a Meteor into a simulator for the Combined Cadet Force and running a Radio Club, which started early in the day and finished late. He taught there for 21 years. Until his last years he received letters from old students recalling this club and his knowledge of science.

He took a postgraduate training course at Exeter and taught briefly at Bideford Comprehensive School before we went to join my family in Victoria, Australia in 1980.

We travelled on the *Taras Shevchenko*, with many 'black boxes' containing radio parts and a few large parts of World War II aircraft. Here he took to life like a duck to water, teaching for 34 years at Box Hill College of TAFE (Technical and Further Education). He was very happy with this work which allowed him to teach his hobby and passion to students who he found wanted to learn. He enjoyed a great group of colleagues in the Electronics Department. I think they were pretty pleased with him.

The Institute, as it became, awarded him various honours. He said this was a way of tapping him on the shoulder, but he had no intention of stopping teaching. He was there through its various changes, teaching full-time until he became ill, and then continued with his Saturday morning class until six weeks before he died.

At Denstone, he played the organ, mostly J S Bach, and sang. He recorded music on a Ferrograph and played a dulcitone in those early years. He had a piano, which I loved to hear him play, but he did this rarely. During his years in Box Hill, he made a collection of about a thousand classical CDs carefully researched and stored.

He left three sons, Christopher, Edward and Sebastian. Our daughter Zoe died in 2011.

He was a man who cherished learning, investigations, science and music in particular. His experiences at Selwyn, Yatesbury and Lancing provided him with the opportunity to develop these.

G Bushnell (SE 1957)

After leaving Cambridge, Gordon worked for many years as a metallurgist. Then eventually, when the company for which he worked was restructured leaving him without a laboratory to supervise, he went into a completely new field, providing a service for solicitors: dealing with legal costs, a complicated and time-consuming aspect of their work. He and his wife set up a company to provide this service to solicitors, mainly in the North West.

They retired in 1997 and thereafter lived a quiet but enjoyable life in Cheshire, travelling around Europe, going regularly to concerts, theatres and art galleries. He was a good singer and sang with choirs whilst at Cambridge. He continued to sing rather less serious music after leaving Cambridge and revealed a considerable talent for singing forgotten ballads and humorous songs, much to the surprise of his many friends who always knew him as a quiet and gentle man.

He did not have any children and is much missed by his widow and his many friends.

We are grateful to his widow Pauline for this obituary.

P A F Chalk (SE 1950)

Sir David Harrison (SE 1950, Fellow SE 1957) writes:

Philip Chalk came up to Selwyn in 1950 as an Entrance Exhibitioner to read Natural Sciences, completing his degree in Zoology. He then decided that he wanted to do Medicine, and this meant a further year in Cambridge to satisfy the examiners in Anatomy and Pharmacology in order to qualify for entry to a London Medical School. This was no small achievement in one year, particularly as it began badly when he was laid low by severe pneumonia in the summer of 1953. His medical career then marched on, with the FRCS in 1962 and FRCOG in 1978, establishing himself as a highly respected Consultant at the Royal Free Hospital in London. He was a successful pioneer in the study of early cancer in the cervix of the uterus.

It was during his undergraduate years that Philip formed his life-long affection for Selwyn. He served for 21 years (1974-95) as Chairman of the Selwyn Association Committee and he was the Association's President in 1998-99. He arrived at the College as an experienced bell-ringer, and indeed a good deal more experienced than the then Senior Tutor, the Revd A C Blyth, who was also a keen campanologist. This could lead to the occasional sharp exchange in the belfry when they were ringing together. He rang his first peal at the age of 16 and over the next 61 years he rang over 550. He was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, founded during the reign of Charles I and the leading society of church bell-ringers. He rang regularly at St Paul's for 25 years, including for the wedding of Prince Charles and Diana in 1981. His usual bell at St Paul's was the eleventh, the second heaviest, which weighs over 2 tons and is notoriously difficult to handle. As one bell-ringer put it, he was the big man for the big bell and the real source of strength if you were going for a peal.

He was a distinguished liveryman of the Drapers' Company of London, and he served as its Master in the early 1990s. During his Mastership he received The Queen at Drapers' Hall on an occasion to celebrate the Tercentenary of the College of William and Mary in Virginia; and he was much involved in the Company's charitable work, particularly in education. He was also for many years churchwarden of St Michael's Cornhill, the City church which has enjoyed the patronage of the Drapers' Company since 1503.

Philip Chalk was a big man, in stature, personality and integrity. He loved his family, his garden, and fishing the river Bourne near his Hampshire home. He had a strong sense of history, which went with a caution about change: he just wanted reformers fully to understand that there was much to be said for things as they are. His wife Jean, also a doctor, survives him together with their three children, David, Alison and Hilary.

K L Drummond (née Bryan) (SE 1981)

Katherine (Kate) was born in Hampton in 1963 and was educated at The Lady Eleanor Holles School. She came up to Selwyn in 1981 having won a scholarship to read French and German.

Although enthusiastic about both languages and the literature of both countries, Kate focussed mainly on German and spent the third year of her degree course studying in Munich. After leaving Selwyn in 1985, Kate had a variety of jobs, demonstrating her adaptability and her openness to change. On graduating she worked for Reckitt and Coleman in Hull, marketing pharmaceuticals; she then moved to London and worked first as a journalist for a technical journal on medical instruments, then for the law firm Linklaters on a European integration project.

While at Selwyn, Kate met Peter, also a linguist (SE 1981); they were often supervision partners, becoming great friends, and in 1987 they married. They moved together to Germany in 1990 and spent three happy years in Cologne. Kate worked as a head-hunter but, finding that she did not enjoy the work, became bi-lingual personal assistant to the chairman of a multinational insurance company.

After starting a family on their return to Epsom in 1993, she had no further full-time paid jobs, but she became a magistrate and for a while worked as a speech and language therapy assistant in and around Epsom.

She always felt an affinity for Germany (including its food and beer!) and she loved her frequent trips back with her family to stay with her wonderful friends in Cologne. She was naturally very pleased when her eldest child won a place to study German and History at Oxford.

In 2001, Kate was diagnosed with breast cancer and in 2006 the cancer was found to have spread to her brain. She endured many years of treatment and fought with typical courage and determination to keep going. Her devotion to her children, Tim, Lucy and Ralph, gave her tremendous energy and strength. Kate remained very active in the community and had a great number of friends; her warmth and positive outlook were an inspiration to many.

She had always had a passion for music and it was a great sadness when she had to give up first playing the piano and then singing with the Epsom Chamber Choir. However, when she was still able to travel she was delighted to be able to enjoy one last trip to Leipzig with her father to indulge her love of Bach and of Germany.

Throughout her illness Kate remained remarkably uncomplaining and her sense of humour shone through till the end. She was a very popular patient: 'We loved looking after Kate,' said one of the nurses who cared for Kate in her final months.

Kate died peacefully in May 2014. She is greatly missed.

We are grateful to her widower Peter (SE 1981) for this obituary.



N J Gilpin (SE 1952)

Nigel John Gilpin, the former head of Poole Grammar School (1972-1988), died, aged 81, in Forest Holme Hospice, Poole. He led the school at a time of great success, and combined an unwavering commitment to high standards with a strong support for the progress and development of each pupil, and of the staff, many of whom ascribe their long and successful careers there in part to his leadership.

Nigel was born in 1933, the only child of Hubert, a Merchant Navy Captain, and Vera, in North London. He attended Highgate School during the war years, when his father worked the Arctic Convoys as skipper of a number of ships. While at Highgate, he sang in the excellent choir, recording with Sir Malcolm Sargent, and developed a deep love of music which stayed with him throughout his life. He excelled in English, which he read at Selwyn; but he was also a serious sportsman, representing the school at soccer (in goal) and cricket, a sporting career which he continued in Cambridge, captaining both sides at Selwyn. His particular loves of Arsenal FC and Middlesex CCC were fostered by regular visits to Highbury and Lords with his father; cricket teas when keeping wicket and batting for Totteridge led to his meeting with his beloved Janet, whom he married in 1957.

His teaching career began at Taunton School (1955-1962), where he taught English and contributed hugely to the sporting success of the school, and from there he moved to be Head of English at St Bees School (1962-66), before moving from the independent to the state sector as Head of English at the Crypt School, Gloucester (1966-69). Sport continued to play an important role in his life as he laid down cricket and took up golf, which at his peak he played off a handicap of 2. He then went as Deputy Head to Hele's School in Exeter (1969-72) before being appointed at the young age of 38 to lead Poole Grammar School (PGS): the Governors insisted on a second round of interviews before finalising this somewhat daring appointment.

He returned to Selwyn in 1979, spending the Lent term as a Schoolmaster Fellow Commoner.

As Head of PGS, Nigel led the school through a period of strong development and change, as the teaching profession itself changed. He continued to find recreation in golf (living opposite Broadstone Golf Course until 1982), music and theatre, and developed a strong commitment to the work of the Magistracy. He became Chair of Poole Bench in 1991, and after retirement took a full part in training and developing magistrates both locally and nationally. He and Janet moved to Bere Regis in 1982, to a home in which he developed a new sporting interest, in snooker, as he laid down the golf clubs. After retirement he was honoured to be appointed a Deputy Lieutenant of Dorset. He and Janet travelled widely, enjoying cultural cruises and tours of French vineyards, both on their own and with family and friends. Even though in later years travel became more restricted, he and Janet continued to explore Britain and Dorset, and his commitment to Janet and his family, to education, society, community and his sporting loves never wavered. He is survived by Janet, his two sons, Jeremy and Tim, and his grandsons Matthew and Charlie.

We are grateful to his widow Janet for this obituary.

B H Lewers (SE 1957)

The Very Revd Ben Lewers came up to Selwyn in 1957 to read Theology. Ben was one of Selwyn's first Choral Exhibitioners. He was already 25 when he arrived and found that he was the only married undergraduate at Selwyn at the time, having married Sally a few months earlier.

The son of a GP in Ilfracombe, Devon, Ben was educated at Sherborne School. After National Service in the Devonshire Regiment, where he attained the rank of a second lieutenant, he joined the Dunlop Rubber Company.

At Dunlop he met his future wife Sally, who worked there too. At the start of their engagement, Ben made the decision to become ordained and was offered a place at Selwyn. Following his time at Cambridge he spent two years at Lincoln Theological College.

He became a curate at St Mary's, Northampton, and moved from there to become priest-in-charge of The Good Shepherd, Hounslow West. His next post was as industrial chaplain at Heathrow Airport before being appointed Vicar and then Team Rector of Newark in Nottinghamshire.

In 1981, Ben became Provost (Dean) of The Cathedral Church of All Saints, Derby, a post he held until his retirement in 1997, when he moved to Marshwood in West Dorset and became very active in the local community.

He was a parish councillor, a school governor and for a time was chairman both of Beaminster Festival and the local history society.

He also continued to work most actively in a voluntary capacity in the church and, until his health started to decline a few years ago, regularly took the Sunday morning services at Marshwood and at other churches in the area.

Ben died in Bridport Hospital on his 83rd birthday. His funeral took place on 9 April 2015 at St Mary's Church, Marshwood and his ashes will be interred close to the altar in Derby Cathedral.

In addition to Sally, Ben is survived by his three sons, Tim, Mick and Tom.

We are grateful to his widow Sally for sending this obituary, which is based on the address given at Ben's funeral by the retired Dean of Brecon Cathedral, Geoffrey Marshall.

N J R Lunn (SE 1956)

Robin came up to Selwyn from King Edward VI Grammar School, Louth, to read History. His Anglican background fitted him well for worship in Selwyn chapel, which he served devotedly during his undergraduate years.

In his second year he met Gillian, a Newnham historian, and their romance was nurtured by the generosity of Selwyn, which provided free heating while Newnham's gas fires required shillings to be fed into a voracious slot. It was an obvious economy for both to work in Selwyn, and resulted in a long and happy marriage.

After a PGCE at Hughes Hall and a brief flirtation with private education, Robin devoted himself to teaching in state schools in Gloucestershire, moving from Grammar to Secondary Modern and then, at the age of 36, to his dream job as Headteacher of Archway School in Stroud. There he led the reorganisation from secondary modern to a large comprehensive. During his 16 years as Head, the school was oversubscribed and renowned for its high academic standards, liberal and inclusive ethos and emphasis on the importance of the Arts in education. He never lost his faith in the comprehensive system.

After a period supporting and developing the county's newly qualified teachers, Robin became a teacher trainer in the education departments of the Universities of Bristol and Bath and the Open University, often rejoicing in the quality of young (and older) people joining the profession.

In retirement, he devoted himself with characteristic commitment to Gloucester Cathedral. He was Secretary of the Friends of Gloucester Cathedral for ten years and developed the tradition of organising excellent speakers and interesting expeditions for Friends. As a Cathedral Guide and mentor of Guides he combined his love of teaching with his interest in architecture and enjoyment of studying.

But it was as an authority on the stained glass of the cathedral that he really excelled. His studies, writing and teaching were appreciated by the cathedral community, the participants in his Study Days and glass experts much further afield.

Robin was delighted to be asked to become a member of the Cathedral Chapter and, as Chair of the Fabric Committee, to hold responsibility for the fabric of the building. Working with cathedral architects and talented stonemasons he led and supported many initiatives, and one of his last moments of supreme happiness was when he saw the newly completed Ivor Gurney windows by Tom Denny in the Lady Chapel.

When he was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease, he was accepting, positive and open about his illness. He never complained, but lived life as fully as he could, welcoming visits from family and close friends and enjoying theatre, film and music until almost the end. He died peacefully in his sleep on 4 January 2015, aged 78. He is survived by Gillian, daughters Felicity and Rebecca and four grandchildren. His magnificent funeral service was held in Gloucester Cathedral and his ashes were scattered in its cloister garden.

We are grateful to his widow Gillian for this obituary.

R K Morris (SE 1962)

Richard Keith Morris was an architectural historian who led the field of architectural interpretation through the analysis of architectural detail. He grew up in Dursley, Gloucestershire, where his father was a diesel engineer at Lister. After being educated at Wycliffe College, Richard came up to Selwyn in 1962 to read History. However, he switched to History of Art after attending a series of inspirational lectures. After graduating, he moved to London and started his PhD at the Courtauld Institute of Art.

In May 1968, Richard married Jenny Gibbs and moved to Canada, taking up a teaching post at the University of Victoria, British Columbia, and completing his doctoral thesis on Decorated Architecture in Herefordshire in 1972. He was selected to become a Lecturer in the newly formed History of Art Department at the University of Warwick in 1974, at which time he returned to England with Jenny and their three young children. Richard became a Senior Lecturer at Warwick in 1979 and a Reader in 1995, prior to early retirement in 2001. One of the memorable characteristics of Richard's teaching was his legendary field trips. Weekly he would drive students off to a church, ruined abbey, castle or small collection of stones in a field – and with often rain-soaked handouts would clamber over every inch interpreting the building development with the students.

Richard established an international reputation as a specialist in medieval ecclesiastical architecture and especially in architectural details (largely but not exclusively mouldings), and the study of masons. He embedded himself in the profession becoming an active member of the British Archaeological Association, contributing to conferences and acting as conference director and council member during the early 1990s. He was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries of London and was a member of its executive committee from 1992-97. More recently he had taken on the role of editor of the journal of the Ancient Monuments Society and was still editing the 2015 volume until very shortly before he died.

In addition to his academic research and teaching, Richard had a strong interest in conservation practice and policy. During his time at Warwick, and following his 'retirement', he was a consultant to English Heritage and the National Trust, served on Advisory Committees for the dioceses of Coventry, Hereford and Lichfield, and was honorary archaeological consultant to his beloved Tewkesbury Abbey. His commitment to Kenilworth as his home and the home to a series of nationally important medieval remains was long-standing and passionate. He wrote the guidebook to Kenilworth Castle and was a founder member of Kenilworth Cycleways, organising local cycle rides for families and campaigning for improved cycle routes. Richard was a devoted husband to Jenny and father to Kate, James and Thomas, and more recently grandfather to two young grandchildren. He died peacefully in his sleep on 7 January 2015, having lived on and off with cancer for several years. It is entirely fitting that his ashes will be interred immediately adjacent to the remains of the medieval priory in Kenilworth.

We are grateful to his daughter Kate for this obituary.

T Saunders (SE 1954)

Tony Saunders was born in Grays, Essex on 16 October 1934, the youngest of five children. He came up to Selwyn in 1954, after completing two years of National Service in the RAF.

He read history and also sang in the chapel choir. He had fond memories of singing 'On Wenlock Edge' at a May Week concert, accompanied by Roger Norrington. Selwyn and its music were always very dear to his heart. He married Barbara in 1957 and stayed on in Cambridge to complete his DipEd.

He started his teaching career at Sir William Borlase's Grammar School, Marlow, in 1958, after which he spent ten years at Steyning Grammar School before returning to Buckinghamshire as Head of Burnham Grammar School in 1975. Throughout his 18 years at Burnham, he continued to make time to pursue his passion, teaching history, in addition to his leadership role at the school. Burnham Grammar School was threatened with closure in 1986 as a result of demographic changes locally and Tony led the fight to save the school.

He retired in 1993 and moved to Chipping Campden in the Cotswolds. He enjoyed his retirement and was active in the local community, including singing in the church choir and chairing the local music society.

He died on 13 May 2015 after a short illness. The funeral service was held in St James' Church, Chipping Campden. He is survived by his wife Barbara, his three children, his seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

We are grateful to his son Tim for this obituary.

R Scrivens (SE 1966)

Ray grew up in Gillingham, where, at the local grammar school, he showed a particular aptitude for languages and developed a lifelong love of the Cyrillic alphabet. He came up to Selwyn in 1966 to read Modern Languages (initially Russian and French, latterly Russian with Czech and Slovak). During his course, he visited the Soviet Union and he was also in Czechoslovakia in 1968 when the tanks rolled in; he escaped on a Dutch coach. Ray formed many lifelong friendships during his time at Selwyn and also a lifelong love for the game of squash. He would go on to become both a keen amateur player but also a dedicated volunteer at his local club, coaching its junior section for many years and to enormous success.

After university, Ray spent a few unfulfilling months on a graduate scheme in the insurance industry before returning to Cambridge to take up a post at the University Library in 1969. His career in the Library was interrupted twice, first in 1970-71 when he went to Sheffield to acquire the standard Library and Information Studies qualification required for advancement. The second interruption came in 1974 when he took up a position in Kenya

with Voluntary Service Overseas. He worked there for two interesting and rewarding years, during which climbing Mount Kilimanjaro was one of many great experiences.

Ray's initial application form to the University Library in 1969 had specified an interest in 'work connected with Slavonic literature of all kinds,' and he would end up spending nearly his whole career doing exactly this, eventually taking over from Piers Tyrrell as Slavonic Specialist in 1982. The position matched perfectly Ray's linguistic abilities and interests, and these, complemented by extraordinarily hard work, saw the Library's Slavonic collections develop enormously under his stewardship.

He also made a huge contribution to the wider Slavonic library world, organising international and national conferences, and serving as a committee member and chair of the Slavic library body COSEELIS and its predecessor. After his retirement in 2009, he became the editor of *Solanus*, an international journal on East European books, in which his own first publication had appeared over three decades before.

The University Library was not only Ray's workplace; it was also where he met his future wife, Nikki, amongst the book stacks on the Library's annual book inspection. They married in 1977 and moved to Barton, just outside Cambridge, which became their home and later home to their daughters Laura and Joanna. Their first grandchild, Laura's son Sam, was born in 2012.

Ray died from cancer in August 2014, aged 66, surrounded by his family. His funeral, held in Cambridge later that month, saw the crematorium filled to standing room only.

We are grateful to Mel Bach for this obituary.

P A Sidey (SE 1962)

Paul Anthony Sidey was born in Lincolnshire on 21 July 1943. After attending Dulwich College, he came up to Selwyn to read English. On leaving Cambridge, he spent a year at the London Film School before setting up Horoscope Films with a friend. They made one short film, but it was not a success. Following this venture, he was forced to move back to live with his parents for a while before finding a job in publishing, which was to be his career for the rest of his life.

In 1970, he joined Penguin Books as an editorial programme controller. Before long, he was appointed an editor in Penguin's editorial office in Bloomsbury, where he edited books on geography, the environment, sociology and accountancy.

In 1974, Paul was asked to revive the Penguin Crime List, which was much more to his liking. This gave him the chance to reissue authors such as Agatha Christie, Margery Allingham, Ngaio Marsh and John Franklin Bardin; and to publish new authors including PD James, Peter Lovesey, Jacqueline Wilson and Antonia Fraser. A significant success was publishing Angela Carter's *The Bloody Chamber* in paperback.

Paul's first hardcover publication was John Lahr's biography of Joe Orton: *Prick up Your Ears*. He went on to publish works by Graham Swift, John Mortimer, François Truffaut and Charlton Heston.

In 1980 he moved to Hutchinson, remaining there until he retired in 2011. At Hutchinson, he worked with such different authors as Evelyn Anthony, Clare Rayner, Margaret Yorke, Christopher Matthew and Peter Benchley. He published Carrie Fisher's first novel *Surrender the Pink*; and Donald Regan's *For the Record*, which revealed how much the Reagans relied on an astrologer during the President's time in office.

In 1984, he married Marianne Velmans, also a successful publisher.

Paul's most long-lasting publishing relationship was with Ruth Rendell, working on all her books from 1983. He also loved the stage and cinema, and worked on the memoirs of Antony Sher, Richard Attenborough, John Mills, Ken Russell, Arthur Smith, Alan Alda, Roger Corman, Mickey Rooney, Shelley Winters, Anna Massey, George Burns and Peter Falk.

His recent successes included *Behind Closed Doors* by Hugo Vickers and *Our Queen* by Robert Hardman. His last book, edited on a freelance basis, was *Lost World* by Richard Littlejohn, which spent three weeks on the *Sunday Times* non-fiction bestseller list.

He wrote two collections of poems for children: *My Brother is an Alien* and *The Dinosaur Diner* and in retirement wrote four novels, which remain unpublished.

By the time he retired, publishing had changed and the multinational publishing houses did not suit the more convivial, warm-hearted and buccaneering approach that had been so much a part of his early career.

Paul died on 17 September 2014, aged 71, after a courageous battle with cancer. He is survived by his widow Marianne and a son and a daughter.

This obituary is based on one published online by The Telegraph on 10 October 2014.

J C Stephenson (SE 1974)

Tim Cartwright (SE 1974) writes:

Jo followed his elder brother up to Selwyn in 1974 from Wells Cathedral School to read History. Midway in our second year, we became supervision partners *chez* Vic Gatrell at Caius, which cemented our friendship. We spent much of our third Easter term together in a sunlit, lino-floored little library on Mill Lane, ploughing through the primary sources of Gordon Johnson's special subject on the collapse of the Mahratta empire in India, 'British expansion in an Asian political system, 1802-20'. Despite the manifold distractions of those heady mid-70s, we managed solid, perhaps even good 2.1s, and stayed on at Selwyn to do a PGCE.

A talented all-rounder, Jo quickly established himself in the 1st XV as a deceptively agile, if loping scrum-half, and in the 1st XI in his first summer, becoming a mainstay of the Hermes Club. He would go on to play representative cricket with the Crusaders, and was duly elected to Hawks. He was irrepressibly jovial, 'hearty' in the language of the day, bringing wit, charm and intellect to the company of men, if remaining somewhat diffident with the distaff, and uncomprehending of his effect on them. Many will share the memory of Jo, gin-and- tonic in one hand, a Marlboro in the other, languidly dropping pearls into conversation in the Hat and Feathers, College Bar or any of the other numerous hostelries that enjoyed our frequent patronage.

On leaving Cambridge, Jo began the first of several careers, taking up a teaching post at the Lakes School in his father's native Windermere, where he was to meet and marry Hilary, then teaching English, mother to their two children, Vivien and Jolyon. Again, Jo's sporting prowess was soon recognised by the local rugby and cricket clubs, which of course he went on to captain. Somewhat surprisingly, he also took up am-dram, turning out acclaimed performances, often under Hilary's direction.

The classroom was never likely to contain Jo's independent spirit, and after a few years, he opted to resign and to take a Law degree at Manchester. After Articles, also in Manchester, he set himself up in practice back in Windermere, where his many local contacts, conviviality and, above all, professional competence brought him a steady stream of clients.

Jo had grown up in a household with strong and divergent political opinions, where political debate, often quite heated, accompanied many meals, so it was perhaps inevitable that sooner or later he would take his personal, professional and sporting high standing into the political arena. First, as a local councillor, he represented Windermere, Applethwaite and Troutbeck from 2008 to 2011, and then, from 2012, Windermere Town on South Lakeland District Council, which he chaired in 2012-13. In 2013, he became Deputy Leader and Leader of the Liberal Democrats in the coalition administration of Cumbria County Council, on which he had served since 2009. It was also typical of Jo that, to give his best, he all but gave up his law practice to devote himself full-time to this last elected office.

Jo's unfailing kindness, humour, and essential goodness were much in evidence when I last saw him during a long weekend that included the dinner at Selwyn to mark the 40th anniversary of our matriculation. With a proximity and affinity which defied the years and distances that had separated us, my impression was of a man, as always, at the top of his game; happy, fulfilled and surrounded by a loving family and a community that held him in high esteem.

Hard, then, to take in that a few weeks later, on 25 July 2014, he should prematurely be taken from us all in tragic and complicated circumstances.

J D Taylor (SE 1971)

'JD', as he was known throughout his time at Selwyn, came up in 1971 from Abbeydale Boys' Grammar School in Sheffield. He immediately threw himself wholeheartedly into the College rowing scene, being the only novice oarsman to row in the First Lent Boat in 1972. He went on to win his oars in the memorable 'Dark Horses' Lent Boat in 1973, which astounded everyone, including themselves, when it finished third on the river. He was again part of the 1974 Lent crew which narrowly failed to go head. JD served as Boat Club Secretary in his third year. Although an unassuming, even reserved, man, JD was utterly dependable and a crucial member of the successful Selwyn rowing crews of that era. These qualities were to serve him well in his subsequent medical career.

He left Selwyn for Guy's, where he qualified in 1977, doing his surgical house job there with Lord McColl and completing his training in Leicester and Liverpool. He spent time at the pioneering pancreas transplant unit in Minnesota, before returning to Guy's as a Consultant Surgeon in 1994. There he established the pancreatic transplant programme that remained his passion.

His combined kidney and pancreas transplant surgery performed on diabetic patients meant they were no longer diabetic and were protected from eye, nerve and kidney complications. A Selwyn contemporary entertained him to dinner in Edinburgh whilst John was at a conference and commented that John was never off his mobile phone, monitoring his patients' post-operative progress.

In his rare spare time he enjoyed swimming, mountain walking, and travelling. He remained cheerful and positive during his tragic final illness, catching up with Selwyn alumni contemporaries at the fortieth anniversary of their matriculation.

John was a devoted family man. He leaves behind his sister, Jacqueline, married to Paul; his brother, Nicholas, married to Wendy; and seven nephews and nieces.

John's funeral service was held at Guy's Hospital Chapel, followed six weeks later by a memorial service at Southwark Cathedral attended by over three hundred people, many of them former patients. A consistent comment from everyone was that he was totally devoted to his patients from whom he attracted the utmost respect.

We are grateful to Colin Borland (SE 1970) and JD's sister Jacqueline for this obituary.

B J P Tompkins (SE 1943)

Brian John Pateman Tompkins passed away on 27 May 2015, aged 89. He read History at Selwyn, commencing his studies in 1943 as the youngest undergraduate of the year.

In 1944 his studies were interrupted when he joined the 8th Battalion of the Cambridgeshire Home Guard. On his return to Selwyn after war service in 1948, two

years of which were spent in Italy and Germany, he was still one of the youngest. After graduating, he taught history at King Edward VII School, Lytham, before moving to Wellingborough Grammar School, where he ran the History Department and school cricket for seven years. While at Wellingborough, he taught Sir David Frost. When he died in 2013, *The Guardian* published a collection of short contributions, in one of which a former pupil of Brian's wrote:

'I was in the same class as David Frost in the sixth form at Wellingborough Grammar School. We always thought his mannerisms were a perfect "take-off" of our history teacher, Mr Tompkins.' (David Frost, Tony Blair, Richard Nixon, and Mr Tompkins, *The Guardian*, 3 September 2013)

Later Brian became Head of History at King Henry VIII School, Coventry, a post he held for 24 years until his retirement in 1986 and where he was known as 'Bert'. History was of course always a passion, as were the piano, cricket, badminton and bridge. He leaves a daughter, Catherine.

We are grateful to his daughter Catherine for this obituary.

A K Wareham (SE 1940)

Ken Wareham was born in Shropshire in 1922. He was educated at Denstone College before coming up to Selwyn to read Geography in 1940.

In 1942, he joined the army and was commissioned at Sandhurst into the 24th Lancers. He landed on the Normandy Beaches on D-Day 1944, leading his troop of Sherman tanks. The Brigade's job of enlarging the bridgehead north of Arranches involved them in very fierce battles in the bocage. Casualties were heavy and, after a week, Ken was wounded and evacuated to Carlisle hospital, where he met his future wife Catherine. Later he spent a year in Germany during the military occupation.

After leaving the army in 1946, he spent a year at London University before joining the Colonial Service. He was posted to Nigeria and the Cameroons as an education officer, ending up as Principal of a leading government secondary college. After Nigerian independence in 1961, he returned to the UK with his wife and two sons to become Headmaster of Stancliffe Hall Preparatory School in Darley Dale. There he remained until his retirement in 1984, after which he continued to help as Bursar and Chaplain. For six years he served on the Council of The Independent Association of Prep Schools.

First and foremost, Ken prided himself as a schoolmaster, believing in good pastoral care, sound teaching, and bringing out the best in all those children in his care. At the same time, he was fully aware of the guiles and escapades of his more wayward charges – occasionally meting out a swift measure of discipline where deemed necessary. As a keen geographer, he loved travel and introduced many children to its joys during Easter holidays by leading groups on annual cruises, mostly in the Eastern Mediterranean. For many years, he served as Chairman of Prep Schools Cruising.

Ken enjoyed friendship and good conversation. In quieter moments throughout his life, he read extensively, especially poetry, and his bookshelves bore witness to his wide range of interests. He will be remembered especially for his inexhaustible supply of optimism and, above all, for his firm Christian faith. He became licensed as a Reader in Darley Dale Parish and was closely associated with St Helen's Church and with St Philip and St James's Church. He was a long-standing member of the Matlock Rotary Club, being President in 1987.

In retirement, he and Catherine became keen anglers, spending many contented hours fishing for trout in Monsal Dale and for salmon in Scotland and the wilder parts of the world, including Alaska, Russia, Iceland and Tierra del Fuego.

We are grateful to Richard Wareham for this obituary.

J T Williams (SE 1956)

John Trevor Williams, known as Trevor, was born at Thingwall, Wirral peninsula, on 21 June 1938. He showed an interest in flora from an early age. After attending Moseley Hall Grammar School, he came up to Selwyn to read Natural Sciences, specialising in Botany. In 1962, he completed his PhD at the University College of North Wales and then spent three years as a Research Fellow at ETH Zurich, where he received his DSc for research on threatened wet-meadow plant communities.

In 1969, he was recruited to the department of Botany at the University of Birmingham as course tutor for the newly established MSc in Conservation and Utilisation of Plant Genetic Resources. The course educated students from all over the world in the theory and practice of genetic conservation.

In 1974, the International Board for Plant Genetic Resources (IBPGR) was founded in Rome, under the auspices of the UN. Trevor was first Executive Secretary and then Director, a post he held until 1989. Under his dynamic leadership, IBPGR helped many countries to set up genetic resources programmes and sponsored 'germplasm' collecting trips all over the world. By the time he stepped down as Director, there were more than 1,000 gene banks around the world. IBPGR subsequently evolved into Bioversity International.

His efforts culminated in the opening, in 2008, of the Svalbard Global Seed Vault, the so-called 'Doomsday Vault', inside a sandstone mountain on the Norwegian island of Spitzbergen. Today, millions of seeds are stored for future generations deep beneath the Arctic permafrost.

Trevor then moved to Washington DC, where he advised the management of *Diversity*, a genetic resources magazine, and was a founder member of the International Centre for Underutilised Crops.

He won many honours and served with the British Ecological Society, the Botanical Society of the British Isles, Warwickshire Nature Conservation and the Birmingham Natural History Society.

Nicknamed 'the Boxer' by Birmingham students for his stocky stature and prominent eyebrows, he was a whirlwind of energy encouraging many students to follow careers in genetic conservation.

Trevor made an enormous contribution towards conserving the genes of the world's food crops; an endeavour that is crucial for the survival of mankind. He died on 30 March 2015, aged 76.

This obituary is based on one published online by The Telegraph on 30 April 2015.

G Winstanley (SE 1950)

George spent his earliest years in Newcastle upon Tyne, but in 1942 the family moved to Bamford in Derbyshire, where his father was employed on the building of the Ladybower Dam. George resumed his schooling at New Mills Grammar School and later won a State Scholarship to Selwyn. His boyhood in a remote Derbyshire village brought him into contact with rich material for hilarious and sometimes bawdy stories.

At Cambridge his physical geography studies took him on glaciological expeditions to Norway and Switzerland. After graduating he joined the Colonial Service in 1954 and was sent to the Bechuanaland Protectorate, now Botswana.

His book *Under Two Flags in Africa: Recollections of a British Administrator in Bechuanaland and Botswana* details his career and is both entertaining and informative. He served as a District Commissioner in several far-flung districts with responsibilities that included administration, justice, and liaison with the tribal administration, amongst many other duties, and more opportunities for acute and entertaining observation.

Transfer to headquarters in Mafeking and later Gaborone brought him work that included: the organisation of the first parliamentary elections after independence in 1966; Secretary to the Cabinet under the first President, Sir Seretse Khama; Clerk to the House of Assembly; and Secretary for Agriculture.

Professor Colin Baker of the University of Glamorgan wrote: 'The closing years of colonialism and the very early years of independence were a period of fast and major change...in which the old order disappeared and the new emerged. Those who saw and participated in both orders are relatively few. George Winstanley was one of them.'

By 1972, having seen the new and successful democracy transformed from a poverty-stricken dependency to a diamond-rich state with the discovery of the world's largest diamond deposits at Orapa, it was time to move on.

With his wife's family still in South Africa and a job offer in Johannesburg, the family moved to that country. But by 1978 the political situation, especially the brutal death of Steve Biko in police custody, brought the family back to England.

After a career working in London for the Brewers' Society and later the Portman Group, he retired to the pleasant north Essex village of Kelvedon. But the North East proved to be a powerful magnet and after a holiday in this area he and Bridget decided to move north. The Northumberland village of Whittingham became their home in 2001. Here he played an active part in village affairs and saw the Whittingham Anglican community through a difficult interregnum period as church warden.

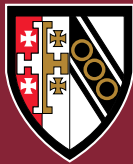
Poor health in 2010 led to a move to the larger centre of Rothbury, with more amenities suitable for his increasing frailty. He died on 22 August 2014 and is deeply missed by his wife Bridget, his children Kate and Jonathan, his grandchildren and his many friends. *We are grateful to his widow Bridget for this obituary.*

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 pleased to receive obituaries of around 500 words in length from relatives or friends for publication in the next edition of the *Calendar*.

SE 1938	J H Barker	SE 1951	J K Saunders
SE 1938	P P S Brownless	SE 1953	J W Balding
SE 1939	J Goodman	SE 1953	R H D Chapman
SE 1941	G E P Grossmith	SE 1953	D Goddard
SE 1943	J W Clayphan	SE 1953	M B Harrison
SE 1944	W E Franklin	SE 1954	B E Fryer
SE 1945	J L R Crawley	SE 1954	T P Waldron
SE 1946	J N B Breakwell	SE 1959	D G Metcalf
SE 1946	R J Briggs	SE 1963	W K G Haslehurst
SE 1946	G F Bullen	SE 1963	W D Rion
SE 1946	G P J Squire	SE 1964	N Winterbottom
SE 1947	F Innes	SE 1965	M W Walton
SE 1948	P W R Blake	SE 1972	D D Ceadel
SE 1948	K B Daynes	SE 1974	D C Dawkins
SE 1949	J H Coggrave	SE 1977	T H Gurney
SE 1951	N C Peiris	SE 1978	P J Aylott
SE 1951	T F Retter	SE 1982	I C Harris



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