

Old Persean rugby



OP RUFC 1985



R Dale, P E Mills, R Burgess



Andrew Brylewski (1965) together with the Old Persean mascot



Nick Martin playing in the 1965 Varsity Match – taken from “Rugby – the Golden Age – extraordinary images from 1900 to 1980”

Old Perseans update

James Salmon (1996) Had great fun for 4 years at Durham, playing sport and drinking (and did a degree somewhere). Have now settled back in the Cambridge area, where I have worked for 5 years as a bridge engineer – doesn't time fly? Get married to Liz in April 2006.

Rupert Limentani (1973) after twelve years working for the Lloyds Bank group in UK, Italy and Germany I switched in 1988 to Deutsche Bank Frankfurt, and have spent fourteen years with the group working in Frankfurt and Milan, where I now live. In early 2005 I launched my own consultancy company Limentani & Partners which assists industrial and commercial companies in improving their credit standing and optimising their bank relationships.

Jessica Fry (1997) – after graduating from Bristol University in 2000 with a degree in Biological Science, I spent the next few years working in the tropics in Indonesia, Fiji, the Seychelles and the Bahamas. I was working with conservation organisations conducting scientific research, training volunteers and working with local communities. I returned to the UK in 2003 to do a Masters in Tropical Coastal Management in Newcastle. Following this I swiftly returned to the warmer climate. I am now the Oceanography Instructor and 2nd mate aboard a sail boat called Ocean Star, it is an 88ft schooner that sails between the British Virgin Islands and Grenada. The program is an 80 day semester for university students and I teach the Oceanography course, along with scuba diving and scientific research. I really love my job, it's hard work and demanding but very rewarding.

Congratulations to **Tom Struthers (2004)** who has been awarded the Robert Ficken Award for most academically outstanding first year male undergraduate at Nottingham University.

Congratulations to **Joseph Edwards (2003)** who has been awarded a Cobbe Exhibition in Physics by Somerville College, Oxford

James Hughes (1984) What can I say? I've worked in the computing industry since leaving university, haven't made it out of Cambridgeshire yet! Have extensively offshore yacht raced (Fastnet 1999), and now into car racing with the 750 Motorclub. Also build kitcars when time permits! Have one child from a previous marriage, and one due any minute (Dec 2005) with new partner.

David Rawlings (1984) – congratulations to David and his wife Lorraine on the birth of their first child, Gideon William, on 27 October 2005.

Congratulations to **Air Vice-Marshal Rick Charles (1972)** who was awarded a CBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours.

Ben Blaukopf (1992) & Claire after their wedding in August 2004.



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A Message from The President

My very enjoyable three year stint is drawing to an end and my successor will take up the reins at the AGM on 12 May. The AGM will be built in to the programme for the Open Day, as it was last year, and an outline of that programme appears elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Let me urge as many as possible to come to the Open Day. It is a splendid opportunity to find out what is going on (and what will be going on) in the school – to see it at work and to meet the staff. Of course the AGM is an additional bonus!

This year as mentioned in the Autumn Newsletter, thanks to Duncan Parish, we are holding a London Dinner for leavers between 1990 and 2000 which will be held on Saturday 18 March: please contact Duncan direct by email duncanparish@hotmail.com or telephone Jennie Wallis on 01223 403850 to see if there are any tickets still available. Anyone within reach should make a big effort to attend this which promises to be a very splendid occasion.

The school is on the brink of major changes. A full co-educational programme is to be phased in over the next ten years and demand for

sixth form places has gone through the roof. All this will necessitate structural development in every sense and a very important appeal is about to be launched, which I hope Old Boys and Girls will support to the best of their ability. One of the Governors' main concerns is to increase the number of bursaries, so that the school can continue to serve the local community in the way in which the founder intended.

Instead of a faintly sulphurous smell, I shall leave office with the legacy of an uncompleted history. It is coming along nicely and the first part (1945–76) will be finished this year, but we still need more recollections, particularly from the period 1965–76 – so keep them coming! We are very grateful to all who have written in, but we can never have too much.

David Loades



An outstanding Gap Year experience

Anna Richardson – working in Malawi during her Gap Year. “I taught children aged two to nineteen a variety of subjects ranging from English and PE to Computer Studies. This was probably my biggest initial challenge, teaching computer studies to a group of forty 13 year olds, none of whom had ever seen a computer, let alone used one.”

Anna is sponsoring a pupil she taught. She is paying for his education by sending out £20 a month to the school. The child's parents and relatives have died from Aids and he is living with his only surviving grand parent.

1937 Rugby Football XV, left to right

Back Row: A C Hawkins, R J Rogers, P D G Frazer, Kingsley Thomas, Carew, G W Day, G E R Papworth, K Barry
Middle Row: K E Halnan, K Johnson, C Hancock, J A Patterson Morgan, C N Jupp, G A Halnan, E S Somech
On Ground: Collins, D J Nunn

We are grateful to Geoffrey Halnan for the photograph and details.



