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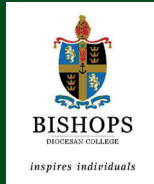
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ROLL OF HONOUR

Their name liveth for ever

In September we remember

THE GREAT WAR 1914-19

- Archibald Difford** (1893-1902) Lieut, 1st Cape Corps. Palestine, *September 1918*
Walter Dickson (1894-1907) Lieut, Argyle and Sutherland Highlanders. France, *September 1915*
Sydney Jones (1901) Lieut, Royal Field Artillery. France, *2 September 1916*
Charles King-Mason (1903) Lieut Canadian Forces. Flanders, *September 1915*
Ronald Menmuir (1904-12) Pvt, 4th SAI. Germany, *21 September 1918*
Arnold Nimmo-Brown (1903-06) Capt RGA. Died at Cologne, *8 September 1919*
Douglas Robb (1901-08) Lieut, 17th London Regiment. France, *26 September 1915*
Neil Robertson [MC & Bar] (1913-16) Lieut Royal Scots Fusiliers. France, *2 September 1918*
Harold Stapleton (1903-1911) Capt, RGA. France, *20 September 1917*
Neville Rudd Thompson (1906-08) Lieut, 16th Lancers. North India, *5 September 1915*
Cecil Vipan (1906-10) Lieut, Cape Corps. Palestine, *September 1918*

THE WORLD WAR 1939-1945

- Dermod Anderson** (1926-32) Lieut, Gilder Regt. Arnhem, Holland, *27 September 1944*
Percy Burton (1931-35) [M] Flying-Officer RAF. Battle of Britain, *27 September 1940*
Patrick Byers (1927-34) [M] Flt-Lieut, RAF. North Africa, *20 September 1941*
Andrew Fourie (1933-36) Lieut, SAAF. Union, *28 September 1942*
Brian Gerrand (1918-24) Sgt, SAAF. N Africa, *21 September 1941*
Ian Impey (1938-42) Lieut, SAAF. Italy, *2 September 1944*
Lothian Jackson (1928-31) A/M SAAF. Union, *24 September 1942*
Rennie Methuan (1935-38) LAC, RAF. England, *25 September 1942*
Leonard Smith (1936-41) Lieut A & S Highlanders. Italy, *2 September 1944*

In October we remember

THE GREAT WAR 1914-1919

- Hilton Bateman** (1913-16) Pvt, 1st SAI. Died in England, *October 1918*
Gordon Bayley (1902) Lieut, Royal Flying Corps. France, *October 1914*
Arthur Buchanan (1895-97) Lieut, RAF. Died in England, *October 1918*
Arthur Dymond (1902-05) Pvt, 3rd SAI. Died of wounds in Egypt, *October 1916*
Norman Fenix (1906-08) Lieut 1st SAI. France, *17 October 1916*
John Honey (1899-1905) Lieut. Killed in France, *October 1916*
Percy Nightingale (1884-85) [M] Lieut RAMC. Died in England, *October 1918*

Alfred Noble (1900) Capt, Union Defence Force. South Africa, *October 1918*
Edward Palmer (1907-16) Lieut, 1st Worcestershires. France, *October 1918*
Ronald Parsons (1911-12) Pvt, SAI. France, *18 October 1917*
Ralph Purcell (1903-04) Pvt, SAI. France, *22 October 1916*
Keith Trotter (1898-1900) Lieut, Gordon Highlanders. France, *October 1914*
Philip van der Byl (1903-06) Sub-Lieut, Royal Navy. Drowned at sea, *October 1916*

THE WORLD WAR 1939-45

Nathaniel Barry (1931-35) Flying-Officer RAF. Battle of Britain, *7 October 1940*
Denys Earp-Jones (1933-34) Pte, Tvl Scottish. North Africa, *23 October 1942*
Lionel Fletcher (1922-31) Sgt, Tvl Scottish. North Africa, *24 October 1942*
Melville Guest (1933-37) [DFC] [M twice] Flt-Lieut RAF. Atlantic, *4 October 1943*
Pierre Hugo (1928-35) [MC] Lieut SA Arm Cars. North Africa, *26 October 1942*
Peter Jackson (1937-40) Lieut SAAF. North Africa, *20 October 1942*
Christie North (1924-35) Capt, RHA. Italy, *22 October 1943*
Derek Owen (1928-34) [MC] [M] Major, Gurkhas. India, *4 October 1946*
Geoffrey Park (1924-34) [DFC] Wing-Cdr, RAF. Adriatic, *15 October 1944*
William Stephens (1903-07) Capt SAR & H Bde. East Africa, *1 October 1941*
John Zahn (1930-35) Lieut SAAF. Egypt, *3 October 1942*

In November we remember:

THE GREAT WAR 1914-19

Adam Burdett (1900-05) Captain ASCMT. South Africa, *November 1918*
Ronald Haw (1914-17) Pvt, 3rd SAI. France, *11 November 1918*
Harcourt Seymour (1900-03) Lieut, KRR. France, *November 1918*
Harry Tiffany [MC] (1904-12) Captain, 12th Royal Fusiliers. France, *15 November 1916*
John Wilson [MC] (1907) Lieut, Indian Cavalry. Palestine, *November 1918*

THE WORLD WAR 1939-1945

George Alexander (1927-37) Flight-Lieut Black Watch. Italy, *12 November 1944*
Anthony Bones (1924-27) L/Cpl, Tvl Scottish. North Africa, *22 November 1941*
Gordon Brodziak (1930-32) Lieut SAAF (RAF). Mediterranean, *11 November 1942*
John Ereaut (1935-38) Lieut SAAF. North Africa, *21 November 1941*
Brian Garden (1923-31) Lieut SAAF. North Africa, *20 November 1941*
John Guest (1933-39) Lieut KRRC. North Africa, *21 November 1941*
Richard Littlewort (1933-39) Cpl SA Survey Com. Italy, *10 November 1944*
Alastair Mann (1920-26) Cpl SA Arm Cars. North Africa, *6 November 1942*
Manvers Meadows (1925-33) Lieut, SAAF. North Africa, *14 November 1941*
John Oats (1933-40) Lieut, SAAF. Italy, *28 November 1943*
David Pitman (1932-35) Bdr SAA. North Africa, *21 November 1941*
Alfred Richard West (1927-35) W/O SAAF. Egypt, *8 November 1941*

A BURIAL AT SEA

Recently **Chaplain Anthony Gregorowski (1962)** came into the possession of a small wooden self-standing plaque with the Union of South Africa's coat of arms affixed above an engraved metal plate bearing the inscription *'Died on active service - Private AC Middlemost DEOR 1939-1945'*. It was considered appropriate that it should be presented to Mr Alan Brashaw, in his capacity as Chairman of the Regimental Association, and be displayed in the Association Rooms for safekeeping.

Naturally this aroused the curiosity of all concerned to discover more about the circumstances of Middlemost's death. The historical records give only the briefest of details, but a former comrade was willing to fill in the rest. And most remarkable they were too.

Arthur Cecil 'Tiny' Middlemost (1928-36), described as 'a delightful fellow', was a young volunteer who died on active service during World War II while serving as a volunteer in the Duke of Edinburgh's Own Rifles. When the Dukes, then a part of the 1st SA Infantry Brigade, departed from Abyssinia's capital Addis Ababa they left him behind on account of his having contracted malaria. They then fought in two particularly gruelling battles in the heights of Combolcia and Amba Alagi before making their way down to the coast at Massawa in the southern part of the Red Sea.

Middlemost then heard via the grapevine that the Dukes were to continue on to Egypt and promptly decided to slip out of hospital - before the cure was completed - and join them before they left. Despite the possible threat of isolated pockets of Italian resistance - and particularly the very real threat posed by roving bands of vengeful Abyssinian patriots - he contrived in his feverish state to hitch-hike all the way over the lofty mountains, so recently the scene of desperate battles, and on through the inhospitable African terrain until he had reached the port where the Regiment was about to board the City of Athens for passage up the Red Sea.

At sea he was again laid low, and dangerously so, with a raging temperature brought on by the unbearable heat on board ship. He was placed alone in a cabin, always with someone in attendance. In a state of delirium he began flinging himself about and appeared to suffer a convulsion. The medical officer, Captain Bird, was called and confirmed he had died. He was buried at sea with full military honours on 16 June 1941.

Middlemost's desperate wish to be reunited with the Dukes had led indirectly to his death. His former buddy has requested that his name is not mentioned. He was present in the cabin at the time of his friend's death and the memory of it haunts him still.

Capt. Joe Dorington

PERSONAL

OBITUARIES

PICKERING. **Tim Pickering** passed away suddenly in July. When Tim left school in 1970, he studied agriculture at Cirencester in the UK and it was during his time there that he met his wife-to-be, Gill. After completing his studies he returned to the family farm in Franschoek, where he joined his eldest brother.



Tim's great love was his family: Rebecca, Ashley and Dylan. His best time was anywhere, as long as it was with them and their fun and laughter.

He spent many years farming fruit and grapes in Franschhoek and it was during this time that he developed a passion for the wine industry. He not only produced wine grapes but he became a wine-maker as well. He was a fount of knowledge on wine making and cultivars and he never held back on sharing both his knowledge and his wine with family and friends. He and Gill loved the bushveld and spent many happy times in the Sabi Sand game reserve. This is the place that he loved the most and the place he most loved sharing with his family. He fulfilled one of his ambitions in

the last year of his life when he toured the Serengeti during the migration and then spent his final holiday with his great friend from primary school days, Brian Bartley, in the Kgalagadi.

Tim and Gill and their three children, Rebecca, Ashley and Dylan moved to the UK following the sale of their farm and the two of them set about successfully marketing South African wines. Tim eventually returned to South Africa and at the time of his death was an estate manager for the Rembrandt group.

Tim was deeply loved by his family and friends, who miss him every day. He leaves behind Gill, his children, Rebecca, Ashley and Dylan, two grandchildren and his brother Richard.

Richard Pickering

GRANT. **George Russell Grant** died on October 11 2013. He was at Bishop's from 1945-51. George had a peripatetic childhood: he had lived in three countries and visited several more, on both sides of the Atlantic, by the time he came to Cape Town, and Bishops, at the age of 11.

He was born in Trinidad in the West Indies in 1933, then moved to the island of Grenada from 1935-44, with a year in between, 1942-43, spent in Canada. In 1944 his father, a secondary school principal in the colonial service and a former Captain of the West Indies cricket team, was transferred to Zanzibar. Because of the war he travelled there alone; the rest of the family (George, his mother and sister) followed later in that year. The journey to Africa was an adventurous one for George and family. To avoid torpedoes they travelled south stopping in at Pernambuco in Brazil, Montevideo in Uruguay and Buenos Aires in Argentina. George was thrilled to see the remains of the scuttled *Graf Spee* whose superstructure was visible above the waves in Montevideo Bay. They then sailed on across the southern latitudes in an old British hulk, catching a major storm as they neared Cape Town; George was nearly washed overboard by a rogue wave but fortunately managed to hold on.

As there was no appropriate school for George in Zanzibar, he stayed on in Cape Town where he was looked after by his grandparents, Sir Fraser and Lady Russell, and was enrolled at Bishops where he was a student until matriculation in 1954. At school he played rugby; won colours for mid-distance running and excelled in maths.

His family moved to Adams College, near Durban, in 1949 so after school George went on to the University of Natal where he earned two degrees – in Agricultural Economics and Social Sciences, both cum laude. His plan was to work in the field of economic development in the African reserves, but two events intervened: he suffered a severe head injury in a motor cycle accident in 1956, which slowed his pace and affected his memory; and the family moved again. While his parents went to Zimbabwe and his sister to Canada, George went to Oxford where he studied Economics. In 1959 George moved to Toronto, Canada, where there are many family connections. He found positions as an economic advisor first with the Ontario government and then with the federal government in Ottawa, earning an MA in Economics along the way. He also found the love of his life, Bernice Katz, and married her in 1963. They had two daughters, Margaret and Sarah, followed by six grandchildren.

He and his family moved to the country in 1974 where Bernice continued her career as a teacher and George tried his hand as a small farmer, producing vegetables, eggs and goat milk from his five-acre plot of land. The work eventually became too onerous so he returned to the world of economics, acting as a consultant with the Tariff Board of Canada and teaching at the local community college (he had previously taught at the University of Toronto and Carlton University in Ottawa). George remained committed to trying to help improve conditions in less developed parts of the world and he turned his hand to writing to promote his ideas. In addition to a newsletter that he produced for several years, he wrote a number of books and papers, the most important of which was called *Tackling the Poverty of Nations; why so many are poor and what we can do about it*. Despite suffering from a number of health problems in his later years in continued to write and speak about his ideas until he was felled by a fatal heart attack.

He leaves his wife, Bernice, his daughters Margaret and Sarah, his grandchildren Matthew, Sammy, Megan, Nadia, Yousef and Noah and his sister, Madeline.

Madeline Grant



JOLLY. Jonathan Howard Jolly [Jock] died in Sydney on 31 July 2013, aged 53, from motor-neurone disease. He leaves his two sisters, Philippa and Lucinda, and his two children Jack [aged 21] and Isabella [aged 15].

Jock was born in Cape Town in January 1960, to John and Ann Jolly. He started at Bishops in Sub A in 1966, and finished up in 1977 as a border in Founders House. He completed his matric at Abbots College.

Jock loved sport. He was a good rugby player, with a great passion and love for the Bokke. He was a keen golfer. And he was a Judo champion, winning the South African Junior Judo Championship.

Jonathan completed his national service in the South African Air Force, and then worked in the Sales and Marketing division of *Bakker and Stager*. Jock met his Australian wife, Michelle, in the UK while on an overseas holiday. In 1986 he emigrated to Australia, and lived in Sydney. He had a successful sales and marketing career in the hardware and building industry. His hobbies and

passions were boating, water skiing, playing golf, listening to jazz, and bringing up his two children. Family and friends were always really important to Jock, and he did struggle, with them living in Cape Town and he in Sydney. He would visit Cape Town regularly with his family. Motor-neurone disease is a horrible way to die. Jock faced it with amazing strength, determination, and positivity. Simple things became big things for Jock, and life became very precious to him – every second mattered, and he took nothing for granted. Perhaps that is Jock's final message for all of us.

Phillipa Jolly



NOBLE. Noel David Innes Noble died on October 10 2013 at the Carl Bremer hospital, after a short illness at the age of 73.

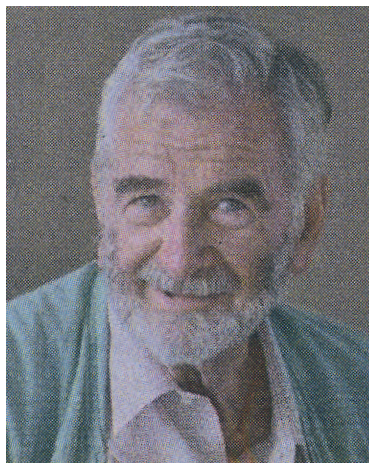
Noel was born in the United Kingdom in December 1939 and came to South Africa with his family in 1947. Prep school years were spent at Tara Preparatory School in Durbanville. He joined Bishops in 1953 leaving in 1957.

After leaving school he joined *Robb Motors* and later *Porter's Motors* and served his entire working life in the retail motor industry. He relocated to Australia in 1970 where he joined *Chrysler Australia* later moving to *Toyota* where he was appointed a Regional Manager.

He retired and returned to South Africa in 1991 settling in Rondebosch, Cape Town, moving later to Brackenfell.

Noel is survived by his sister, Fiona who lives in Perth, Australia.

Guy Carter



MACFARLANE. Keith MacFarlane, a previous long-serving motoring editor and senior editorial staff member of the *Cape Argus*, passed away in a Cape Town hospital on 29 September 2013. He was 82.

Keith was educated at Bishops and attended university at both Stellenbosch and Cape Town. He was a motoring correspondent to the *Cape Times* from 1947 to 1954 and the *Cape Argus* from 1955 to 1960 before becoming a staffer on first the *Times* and then the *Daily Telegraph* in London from 1966 to 1973. He then returned to the Cape and joined the *Argus* in 1964 becoming Chief Sub from 1966 to 1973 and Assistant Editor from 1980 before retiring in 1985. From 1967 he was appointed as *Argus Motoring Editor* and compiled the motoring pages alongside his other duties until his retirement. Since then he continued

road testing and reporting motor sport and contributing to *Huisgenoot/You* (as motoring editor for two years), *Fair Lady* and other publications. He served on the SA Guild of Motoring Journalists' Car of the Year Jury panel, and was awarded the prestigious SAGMJ Fellowship for his valued

contributions to the profession.

Keith interests included competing in motorsport (he campaigned an MG sports car), reading of modern history, and ballet where he was the *Argus* ballet critic from 1969 to 1985.

He leaves his wife, Carol, three daughters Fiona, Sarah and Joanna, and six grandchildren.

*The following tribute appeared in the Argus - **Beverley Roos-Muller.***

TOP NEWSPAPER JOURNALIST WAS A STICKLER FOR ACCURACY

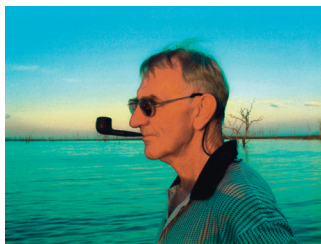
On my first day as a trembling young reporter on the *Cape Argus*, a giant strode through its halls like a Scottish laird, gripping a fistful of paper with a determined air. I learnt very quickly that this was Keith Macfarlane, the Chief Sub-Editor, and that you offered him poorly written copy or shoddy grammar at your peril. Macfarlane, who died recently aged 82, set the bar very high in his professional capacity. It was something the senior staff much appreciated, recalled his former colleague and former political commentator Hugh Robertson, though it did not always endear him to those on the receiving end. It was an era when spelling, punctuation and syntax mattered and he would think nothing of tossing the copy (typewritten in those days) back onto the news desk, barking out one word: 'Unacceptable!'

His great height 6ft 4ins formal attitude and blue-eyed stare could undo even the most hardened hack. He could be stubborn, and even acerbic. Yet I must also record that in all the years I have worked with him, and much later came to know him and his wife well, he was unfailingly courteous and kind to me. He had a sensitive side, which, combined with his meticulous nature, served him well as a long time motoring correspondent and ballet commentator. In these two seemingly disparate arenas, he became knowledgeable, both technically and aesthetically.

Born in 1931 to a family originally from Scotland, he grew up in St James and attended Diocesan College, Rondebosch, arriving at the University of Cape Town hoping to read Law. An ill-considered skirmish with his Latin lecturer put paid to that plan and he began his career in journalism at the Cape Times in 1951, moving to the Cape Argus as a reporter in 1955. He married Carol Molteno (great-granddaughter of Sir John Charles Molteno, first Prime Minister of the Cape Colony) in 1958: they had three daughters. He worked in London as a Sub-Editor on *The Times* and then *The Daily Telegraph* between 1961 and 1963 and returned to the Cape Argus in 1964, where he became Chief Sub-Editor and then Assistant Editor in 1980, retiring due to ill health in 1985. However, he continued to work editorially on magazines such *Huisgenoot* and *Fair Lady*.

Macfarlane was a good and attentive host, who kept in contact with friends from his school days, newspaper years and leisure activities. Towards the end of his life he regularly attended monthly lunches with former newspaper colleagues (where we catch up and gossip about the good-and-bad-old days and other ex-colleagues), though he never quite got used to my cheeky labelling of the group as The Old Farts. His last attendance was just a month ago and I thought then, as he sat in his wheelchair, that we would not see him there again. He suffered a number of strokes but was able to remain in their Marina da Gama home, cared for by his wife Carol, until very close to his death on the evening of Sunday September 29. His funeral was held in the Bishops Chapel on

Friday. He leaves his wife, their three daughters, Fiona, Sarah and Joanne, and six grandchildren. One of them, a young lad in a kilt, played the bagpipes for his grandfather's 80th birthday at a large reception in St James while Macfarlane looked on and beamed with joy. It is a lovely memory.



BARRY. My Dad, **Henry, Michael ‘Remo’ Barry** was born in Swellendam on 12 May 1930. He was born into the large, but very close Barry family.

The highlights of his young life were undoubtedly his years at Bishops (1945-48) and sport, especially rugby and the outdoor life they enjoyed back home in Lesotho on school holidays.

After school, he hot-footed to the north and Zimbabwe, which he had been very taken with on his school rugby tour. There, he went to work for his cousin, Fred Barry as a farm manager in Manicaland.

He played some great rugby in Umtali and became one of the top polo cross players in Zimbabwe. To give something back to sport, he became a rugby referee. Almost every Saturday he would drive often for up to two hours to reach a small mining or farming town to blow the local match. This was unpaid at that time, although it was customary for each side to buy him a beer in the pub afterwards. From time to time one of the less-sporting sides (or perhaps one that had been aggrieved by his decisions) did not purchase him the usual libation. A great treat for him was to referee at the Mazowe Country Club. This club had a dedicated bathroom for the referee and not only would a hot bath be drawn and waiting for him when he ran off the field, but a cold beer was poured and waiting for him at the side of the bath.

At the height of the Zimbabwean war he gave up the rural lifestyle and moved his family to Harare. Remo adored his family – his children and his grandchildren. He was a real gentleman and he loved the Anglican Church. He loved his friends and socialising. And he loved animals – reflected in his last years in the 6 or 7 metres of daschunds that accompanied him everywhere, including of course sharing the bed!

Dad died on 24 August 2013 and is survived by his wife Pam and four children; Michael, Lisa, Claire and Remo (jnr).

Lisa Griffiths



THOMAS. **Edmund James McLachlan Thomas** died from gunshot wounds on Saturday 21 September 2013 in the terrorist attack on a Nairobi shopping mall. He was 57 years old. James was in Nairobi on development business, helping to transfer entrepreneurship skills towards job creation for young Kenyans. It is thought that he was one of the first to be killed in the Westgate Mall attack. When asked what his likely response to Westgate would have been, a family member answered: “He would’ve wept, and then gone out to find people to hug.”

James was the second of five children born to Mac Thomas (1935). He grew up in Cape Town, where his family has lived for three centuries, and entered Bishops in 1961 with the first grade R class, who would become the first '13-year' ODs. James did not excel academically at school because of an attention deficit disorder which was only diagnosed decades later (and he renamed it "attention variable disorder"). A teacher gave him the nickname "ceiling inspector" because his mind was always far off and busy with something else. Later as an adult James quietly joined Mensa, to prove to himself that he could. At a gathering of old school friends two weeks after he died, there were many anecdotes of James' school days. Perhaps the most legendary was recounted by Steve Hofmeyr, about the ingenious way James orchestrated taking possession of the 'Lion' for Ogilvie whilst the borders were at evensong.



The area in which James did excel at school was music (trumpet) and singing, and he was part of the choir for most of his school career. The Chapel symbolized for James two things that remained important to him throughout life: his relationship with God, and music. The Thomas family lived just off Sandown Road, and James was known to leave his bedroom when the chapel bells began to ring, and still manage to be kneeling in the choir stalls by the time they stopped! After school James did National Service – as a trumpeter in the band – and then went on to study sociology at UCT.

It was while at University that he began getting involved in Christian-based activism, and it's also where he met his wife Colleen. They got married in 1980.

Recognizing the reality of institutionalized violence in apartheid South Africa, James chose after University to become a conscientious objector to compulsory military service. This awareness of social injustice saw him go on to devote most of his life to attempting to help lift others out of poverty through a vast range of business and entrepreneurship training schemes. His visionary genius in this area eventually affected innumerable people all over the world, but what he did was always on behalf of the poor and dispossessed, James never seeking to enrich himself.

Colleen said, 'James knew exactly who he was and where he came from. He was confident in his identity and calling'. As a thoroughly South African Christian, he was committed to rebuilding this country after the ravages of apartheid. James would never consider a situation hopeless. Instead, he fostered people and organizations to encourage and help especially the young. James used to say, 'be positive or go home' and, 'do it with a flourish!' – and he lived this out to the full. All the work he did, from within the church to development communities worldwide, impacted many thousands of people, and many owe the success of their business ventures to James. A recent report from the Chinese Government illustrates the impact of one of his business training tools has had. A training tool he developed locally in Khayelitsha, made its way to China. To date 1100 Chinese trainers have reached 4.5 million learners in China. Of these about 85% have started small businesses.

Thus more than 10 million Chinese have been impacted by what James started in Khayelitsha.

Archbishop of Cape Town, Thabo Makgoba said: 'James was such a fine Christian – a man of great vision, who touched countless lives over the years, stirring up the faith of far, far more than he probably ever realised. He was a true servant of the Lord, of his church, his people and his world.' The Secretary of State for the UK Department of International Development, Justine Greening, wrote that James's 'work in Africa on behalf of the poorest and most vulnerable was crucial. The continent has lost a creative genius, a visionary of note.' All James did was motivated by his love of God, his devotion to Christ, and an immense sense of gratitude for the privileges to which he was born. His family said, 'our father relished life in a way that was contagious. But most of all, he served as a model of confidence and intellectual strength, which was rooted in his devotion to God'. James himself said, 'I have been given a gift of faith on which I can rely; while others strive or are fearful, I am not because I can rest on this gift of faith.' James was due to attend the Provincial Synod of the Anglican Church of South Africa the week after his death, as Church Warden of St. Peter's church in Mowbray. As a tribute to him his chair at Synod was left empty, with a large bouquet of flowers in front of it and a place card reading, 'James Thomas; Deceased in the Nairobi massacre.'

James was a man of intense devotion to his family. He would say to Colleen, 'I'm pathologically in love with you!' Just as he was humble in relation to himself and his achievements, he was proud of his wife and daughters and all they did. He would never miss one of his nephew Siphos's rugby games, threw himself into supporting the Cape Town Youth Choir when his daughters joined it, did all he could to facilitate the move Sarah and Scott made to work in Madwaleni in the Eastern Cape. He made sure Colleen succeeded in her own small business venture. He was careful to plan family times away. He was passionate about individual destiny and purpose, especially for his family. Family times were times of vision, exploration, and prayer with each person's destiny and purpose in mind. Sarah commented, 'It was like he always had an idea for everyone and everything to improve. There were never awkward silences with James!' Another well-known James saying was, 'There's always an excuse for a party!' and every occasion of note was well and truly celebrated.

Whilst very much a family man, James' family was also a hub of a wider community, and he was considered a father figure by literally hundreds of young people who had been taught, trained, mentored, or just loved by him. A close friend summed up James Thomas. 'He was a life-long architect of change and champion of the poor, who challenged the reality and struggles of unemployment and poverty in the name of Christ. He was a humble and passionate man, who was always giving in love.'

James is survived by his wife Colleen and daughters Sarah Lee-Jones (wife to Scott) and Julie, nephew Siphos, sisters Mary-Jean and Liz and brother David. He was predeceased by his brother Philip.

John Hewitson

JOLIFFE. Richard (Dick) Carlyon Joliffe died in Auckland, New Zealand on 16 September 2013 at the age of 84 after a long illness.

As an only child Dick attended school at Milton in Bulawayo and thereafter at St Georges in Harare where his father was Bank Manager at Barclays Bank. The family moved to Cape Town



from Rhodesia (Zimbabwe) and Dick attended Bishops from 1943 -1947. At school he was a brilliant sportsman, playing 1st team Rugby and Cricket and excelling at swimming. He won the Jamison Prize for the best all-round sportsman in 1947.

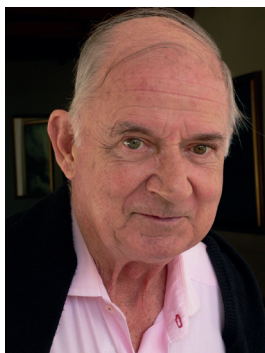
He studied Architecture at UCT and after graduating he travelled to London where he worked in the office of Sir Basil Spence. From there he went to Toronto, Canada where he worked and spent time building a ski lodge. He was a very keen skier! On leaving Canada he returned to Johannesburg and worked in partnership with *J.A Hoogterp, Architects*. In 1957 he and a friend embarked on a fascinating journey through Central Africa in a VW Beetle – seeing many amazing sights including the source of the Blue Nile.

Thereafter he ran a successful business in Midrand, Gauteng. Building and Golf were his passions. Having renovated an old house in Oaklands, Johannesburg, he built a holiday house at Port Alfred (Kowie), Eastern Cape and prior to that a weekend retreat at Haartebeespoort Dam, doing most of the building work himself. He enjoyed competitive golf and most of all, having a round with his three sons.

When his children moved to Auckland, New Zealand with their families, he and Jill followed and settled where two sons and a daughter were established. Between spells in hospital he enjoyed the local beach at Cockle Bay and family gatherings.

He leaves his wife, Jill of 54 years, three sons, one daughter, five grandsons, one granddaughter and one great grandson.

Jill Joliffe



HAMILTON-RUSSELL. Timothy Patrick Hamilton-Russell

was born in Cape Town in 1934. He is the second son of James Hamilton-Russell (“Hamo”), United Party MP for Woodstock 1945 – 1948 and MP for Wynberg 1948 – 1953. His mother, Kathleen (‘Molly’), was the daughter of the 2nd Baron Ashbourne. Tim’s father was born in Cape Town of Irish parents who arrived in South Africa from Dublin in 1901. His mother was born in Ireland and emigrated to South Africa from England in 1930 to take up a teaching post here.

Tim’s early primary school years were spent as a boarder at Woodridge (near Port Elizabeth), at Western Province Prep and for a short stint at a school in Pretoria where Hamo was posted as an RAF Lieutenant at the start of WW2. Tim started at Bishops (Founders House) in 1948. During the five years he spent at the school he excelled in sport. He was a permanent member of the Athletics and Cross Country teams, winning the Victor Laudorum cup for athletics in 1950 and 1951. He was considered an excellent shot and won the Bisley Shooting Cup in 1952. In addition he was a regular member of the

First XV team, for two seasons. He must have found time to participate in other school activities as he was also student officer in the Cadet Corps, house prefect in his matric year and received the Geography prize that year.

Tim's three brothers also attended Bishops: Michael (class of 1950 - Founders House), David (class of 1955 - Founders House and White House) and Robin (Class of 1965 - Founders House). Tim's sisters, Jill and Diana, matriculated at Herschel.

After matric, Tim spent a year at UCT (Smuts Hall) before going to University College, Oxford, where he obtained his MA in 1958. It was in Oxford that year that he and Athene were married. Guests at the wedding included former Bishops colleagues David Brock, Peter Sauerman, Jeremy Lawrence and Neil Huxter, who was Tim's best man.

On his return to Cape Town Tim, joined his father in advertising. In 1959 he began a thirty year career with *J Walter Thompson Co.* (JWT). In 1963, after a period of training at JWT New York, he was appointed Manager of *J Walter Thompson Operations* in Africa South of the Equator, and he and his young family moved to live in Salisbury.

Tim returned to South Africa in the late 1960s and went on to become Chairman of JWT in 1972. He weathered the 'sanctions' storms of the 1970s and 1980s, which saw clients like *Kodak*, *Firestone* and *Ford* close their South African offices and withdraw their staff and operations from the country. Despite the fact that the advertising industry gained a bit of a reputation as 'a school of hard knocks' during the most severe of the sanction years, JWT South Africa, under Tim's stewardship, retained its reputation as one of the sub-continent's top and most prestigious advertising agencies. In 1972 Tim completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard University in Boston.

Despite having shown a natural talent for business management and new business acquisition at the helm of JWT, Tim had never given up on his dream of farming. While up at Oxford he read Geography with special subject options that included climatology, soil science and geology. He focused his studies on the regions of France and Southern Africa, nurturing his increasing interest in viticulture. On returning to South Africa from Salisbury in the mid-1960s, Tim made the decision to purchase 'a suitable piece of land for growing vines to make quality wine' – and so began his decade-long search for just the right farm and location. In the interim, not finding the waiting easy, he began growing grapes for wine in the five-acre garden of his Morningside home in Johannesburg. In 1973, Tim bottled and labelled a wine called "Little Fillan" (named after the original farm in that area). One or two bottles still exist today, which have received good praise from some reputable wine critics!

It was his purchase of a 157-hectare un-cultivated plot in the Hemel-en-Aarde Valley near Hermanus in 1975, which proved something of a turning point for the South African wine industry. During his Oxford years Tim developed an implacable belief that to make great wines you need a cool climate. And so, *Hamilton Russell Vineyards*, only 2.2km away from the cool Atlantic Ocean, was established as the most southerly vineyard and cellar in Africa, setting a new benchmark for South African wine which was previously known for wines grown in the warmer inland viticultural areas of the Cape.

In the '70s and '80s South Africa's burgeoning wine industry was restricted by the regulations of controlling peri-governmental bodies. The independence of our wine farming and winemaking industry today largely came about as a result of Tim's tenacity and fundamental belief that old

laws could be challenged and, indeed should be, if South Africa was to gain its rightful place and reputation among the great wine growing regions of the world. Not only did Tim establish himself as one of the country's premier wine growers, but early on he began calling for what he called 'a large injection of free enterprise into South Africa's wine industry' starting with the abolition of the production quota system - whereby wine farming rights could only be granted to farmers owning land that held a 'quota' - and the abolition of the minimum price structure so that a wine could price itself freely on the market.

Other laws prohibiting mention of the word 'Burgundy' or 'Bordeaux' in any promotional literature meant that *Hamilton Russell Vineyards* could not write anywhere, that their winemaker had travelled to Burgundy. Similarly it was not permitted to mention the varietal of the grape anywhere on a wine label, the bottle or in its literature. With a combination of sheer persistence and sound reasoning Tim saw to it that the restrictions were slowly relaxed to the benefit of the industry and its international standing in the global wine market.

Tim began *Hamilton Russell Vineyards* with some of the very first plantings of Chardonnay and Pinot Noir varietals in Africa. He had gone to great lengths to import the original stock from selected regions in France and from these he and the founding *Hamilton Russell Vineyards Team* began the cultivation of what have become among the most awarded Pinot Noir and Chardonnay wines in South Africa. The first *Hamilton Russell Vineyards* wine, a 1981 Pinot Noir, was released to great acclaim in 1982 - pioneering the formation of an exciting new wine region. Hamilton Russell's 1986 Pinot Noir was nominated by a prominent wine critique to be the best Pinot Noir outside Burgundy, although South Africans would not have been aware of this due to the laws prohibiting the mention of Burgundy in connection with a South African wine. In 1989 Tim Hamilton Russell and four other Cape winemakers formed, and were the initial signatories of, the *Cape Winelands Commitment*, which rejected apartheid, called for the abolition of the Group Areas Act and outlined improved farm employment practices.

Michael Fridjhon in his *Business Day* obituary kindly credited Tim saying, 'in many respects, he turned out to be the father of the modern South Africa wine industry.'

In 1991 Tim retired from *Hamilton Russell Vineyards*, handing over the reins to his son Anthony, who was himself an OD (Class of 1979 - Founders House). Tim and Athene have four children and nine grandchildren. Their grandsons, James (14) and William Hamilton Russell (12), both attend Bishops.

Patrick Hamilton-Russell



MICHELL. Colin Seton Marischall Michell passed away on 18 August 2013 at the age of 91. He had been ill for a number of years and passed away peacefully at his home in Helderberg Village with his wife, Pam and family members at his side.

Colin was at Bishops from 1932 - 1941. He arrived as a young boarder in 1932, where he joined his older brother, Andrew. He was a keen sportsman but really excelled as a swimmer and broke a number of school records. He also boxed for Bishops and was excellent at high jump.

Colin hailed from the Banhoek valley outside Stellenbosch, where his father farmed. After he matriculated, he signed up and was stationed in Egypt and then Italy before returning to study architecture at UCT. Once he had completed his degree he married Pamela Smuts, who was also from the valley and whom he had met through a good friend from Bishops, Joe Bick. Colin and Pam moved to Pretoria where he worked for a couple of years before returning home to the farm in Banhoek when his father became ill.

Colin joined the architectural firm of *George Osler* in Stellenbosch, while Pam ran the farm and built up a successful protea flower exporting business.

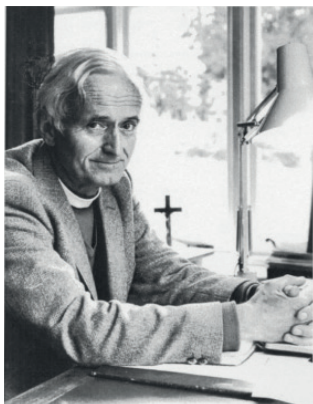
Colin became a partner in the firm, and *Osler and Michell Architects* grew to be a highly respected architectural practice. Amongst other developments, they became involved in many restoration projects of the beautiful old buildings in and around Stellenbosch. During those years Colin was also an active member of the Stellenbosch Heritage Foundation. A keen tennis player, he was, for much of his adult life an involved member of the Banhoek Tennis club, doing much to maintain the tennis courts and grow the club. Colin also enjoyed mountain climbing and did many hikes and climbs with friends in the mountains surrounding Stellenbosch. He was an avid Bonsai grower, and won awards for his beautiful trees. Colin had a great curiosity in all things to do with rocks and the earth and maintained that if he hadn't studied architecture, he would have probably studied geology. Another hobby of his was working with wood and many happy hours were spent in his workshop on the farm. Calenick was a beautiful and welcoming family homestead and the Michell's were known for their hospitality, as their many friends who came to visit and to stay can testify. A number of years after his retirement they moved to Stellenbosch and then on to Helderberg Village. Colin had a mischievous sense of humour and was able to engage all with his easy going nature. He was also a man of great humility and had a natural curiosity in the world around him.

Pam and Colin were married for a wonderful 61 years and a more devoted couple you would be hard-pressed to find. Colin is survived by his wife, Pam and his four children, Brenda, Nicola, Peter and Bryan and by his nine grandchildren. His integrity, humour and wisdom are greatly missed by his family and all who knew and loved him.

Brenda Filmalter (daughter)

HINCHLIFF Timothy Bagshaw Hinchliff born in Hermanus on 9 May 1938, fourth of six children died very peacefully on 14 May 2013, repeating the Lord's prayer as the doxology was completed he had passed into another dimension. Tim was at Bishops from 1951-1955. He had spent from January 1998 in and out of hospital challenging the cancer diagnoses on three separate occasions; he never complained nor regretted his incapacitated situation. He continued to help people not only with their accounts until he died but enjoyed the wide interests of both young and old alike, Tim's rich source of stories, where amusing and could reflect on individual's dilemmas. He had a great warmth and love for his family in Southern Africa, England and Ireland and affection for Bishops. Latterly his five yearly trips to Cape Town were a source of great pleasure and reassurance to him.

Judith Hinchliff



KIME. The **Reverend Thomas Frederick Kime** died on 27 August 2013 aged 85. Tom was at Bishops from 1941-1946 and was on the College staff from 1958 -1956. He was at Lincoln College Oxford where he gained honours in English Language and Literature. He was a fine swimmer and was awarded a blue for swimming and was a member of the *Achilles Club*. After Oxford he spent four years teaching at the Royal Grammar School in Colchester and then trained for the ministry at Cuddesdon College Oxford. He was ordained in March 1957. Before coming to Bishops Tom served in a parish in the East End of London. After leaving Bishops he served in a parish in Noorder Paarl and eventually returned to England. He spent his recent years in Winchester.

EULOGY

Dad was born on the 26 March 1928 in Gibraltar, the first child of Philip and Hilda Kime. My grandfather's job meant that the family moved often. They spent time in Sudan, Egypt, Canada and Portugal. At the outbreak of the Second World War the family were in South Africa. When my grandfather's job took him to Rodrigues, an island in the Indian Ocean, Dad and his younger brother, John, stayed behind at their school, Bishops, in Rondebosch. I suspect that it is here that they were able to put down roots for the first time, throwing themselves into the life of the school and spending holidays either on the farms of friends or at an hotel in Plettenberg Bay. After school, Dad came to read English at Oxford, where he indulged his love of poetry and represented the university at swimming. While he was there his younger sister, Mary, came to school in Yorkshire and Dad made up for the time that they had lost during the war by seeing her whenever possible; she remembers him sharing with her his love of poetry and taking her on a trip to Venice. After Oxford, Dad taught at Colchester Grammar School and later trained for the priesthood at Cuddesdon Theological College. It was during this time that he met my mother, who was training to be a nurse at St Thomas's in London. They married on 31 December 1957, and started their life together in a parish in Forest Gate in East London where Dad was curate. However, before long, Africa drew Dad back. His first job in South Africa was as a teacher and chaplain at his beloved Bishops.

In 1959, Joanna was born, followed over the next few years by Hugh, Elizabeth and I.

In 1965, Dad was appointed Rector of Noorder Paarl, a mixed race community around 40 miles from Cape Town where I think we were almost the only European family. Paarl was hot, dusty, beautiful and troubled. Dad's training might have taught him unswerving round-the-clock commitment to his parishioners but he was also a constant presence in OUR lives and he was keen to share with us the South Africa he has had known in HIS youth, in particular, Table Mountain, Nature's Valley and the Wilderness. With a seamless join between Dad's personal and professional life, we were offered a fascinating insight into the world around us. This included visits to the homes

of sick parishioners that were as immaculate inside as they were shambolic outside; delicious, Cape Malay feasts in the parish hall; street fights outside the rectory on a Saturday morning. But England is where our family was. So, after time in Rondebosch, a leafy suburb of Cape Town, we came to England, arriving in Southampton docks on the 1 April 1974.

After six months in the quaint-sounding ‘*Home For Returning Missionaries*’ in Bournemouth, Dad was appointed Rector of Ellisfield, Farleigh Wallop, Dummer and a little later Cliddesden. These were parishes that couldn’t have been much more different from Paarl but Dad’s approach to his ministry was just the same. As in Paarl, he believed that visibility was key. Of the wonderful letters Mum has had from Dad’s former parishioners, one talks of his commitment to his ministry and ‘anxiety to do things right.’ Another describes how he and Mum ‘made the rectory shine with hospitality and warmth.’ A grandmother remembers him trudging all the way to a snowbound Dummer, so that he could christen her grandson. Yet with this commitment to his ministry also came a commitment to what he believed was the right way to run his parishes. He wasn’t afraid to challenge opinions or turn down requests that were at odds with his own particular stance. He was keen, for instance, that christenings took place within the context of a regular Sunday service. A family friend and regular sailing companion describes Dad as a ‘terrific example of a steadfast faith.’ It seems to have been a faith that didn’t just manifest itself in a sometimes trenchant style but also in modesty. One parishioner worries that ‘he never seemed to realise how much he was loved and respected’.

At about the same time, he took up that pursuit favoured by the compulsively restless – sailing. First, in a dinghy, then a larger boat and eventually the beloved *Sea Dust* which he shared with two friends. He was never happier than when slipping in and out of ports and estuaries in Devon, Cornwall, the Channel Islands and Brittany. In retirement, freed of his responsibilities, Dad relaxed more. He and Mum travelled, including to two countries where he had spent time as a child – Portugal and South Africa. But of course, Dad wasn’t just one person. He was one half of a 56 year partnership with my mother, a marriage that was infinitely greater than a sum of its parts. In the same way that Mum and Dad tackled the challenges of parenthood and parish life together, they presented a united front in the face of Dad’s illnesses. It is thanks to a combination of Mum’s amazing care - and Dad’s resilience - that he stayed at home far, far beyond the point at which he should really have gone into a nursing home. And when he went to Westacre, almost two years ago, he couldn’t have been in better hands.

Giles Kime

HEWSON. Delving into the ‘deeply rich’ life of **Glyn Charles Hewson.**

*“Love is the law of life
We live that we may learn to love
We love that we may learn to live
No other lesson is required of us”*

Book of Mirdad – Naimy



This is the greatest lesson that my beloved father Glyn Charles Hewson taught me. To love unconditionally. That love is the absolute. When he left this world in the twilight hours of Saturday August 10, he was surrounded by the presence of his family whom he so dearly loved.

Life began for Glyn on November 13, 1940, in Rosebank. The second son of Methodist minister Leslie Hewson and his wife Mary, he was born in the manse at Rosebank Methodist Church. Life moved eastwards to Grahamstown where Glyn was schooled at Kingswood. A core signature of his personality was an adventurous spirit that bubbled over into a deep interest for geography and history. These two areas became his major subjects at Rhodes University. The mid-1960s saw Glyn return to the city of his birth to begin as a high school teacher at Rondebosch Boys High.

My father has often been likened to the character Robin Williams played in the movie *Dead Poets Society* - John Keating. English became the subject he taught the most throughout his career. Teaching in Cape Town was his vocation for over 40 years.

Like Keating, his classes were rich with inspirational stories and anecdotes gleaned from various experiences. Many of his tales came from his time as a graduate student in America at the end of the 1960s. From dancing to Harry Belafonte and Joan Baez live, to nearly going to the original Woodstock music festival to travelling the vast continent of the United States, this was a deeply rich time in his life. Westerford was the school he taught at for the longest, from 1973 to 1990. These were significant times in our country as South Africa was birthing itself into a new beginning. Although not a prominent activist for social change, my father always deeply believed in the peoples of our land. He loved and grew friendships with everyone. From joyfully exclaiming to a petrol attendant that he also grew up in iRhini (Grahamstown) to easily conversing with prominent figures such as Desmond Tutu and John Pilger, Glyn was at ease with anyone. And so through his love of people and beautiful use of language he brought out the best in others.

My parents met as young teachers in the progressive school halls of Westerford. They courted, fell in love, travelled together and married in 1983. They are soul mates. For 35 years, Cheryl and Glyn shared life in all its eclectic mystery. They forged a deep partnership that shone a light in countless lives. I was born in 1985 and my brother, Daniel Peter Glyn, in 1987.

As a committed teacher, Glyn was a father figure to thousands over the years. Dan and I shared him with many but nonetheless he was a phenomenal dad. I hold the millions of memories deep in my DNA. He was a prolific and brilliant photographer and through the lens of the camera I

see the love he held in his heart for all of us. Speaking of artistic endeavours, my father excelled at many creative pursuits.

When Glyn picked up a pen, magic weaved through the ink as it wet the paper fibre to design calligraphic letters, colourful concoctions on a birthday card or a simple note to say "I love you". His love of letters is legendary and as a founding member of the Cape Friends of Calligraphy he took this hobby to another level. In an age where digital is the destination a handmade card or letter of epically beautiful proportions from Glyn was a true treasure. A real raconteur and storyteller, my father's legacy will live on in these tales and the dreams and hope he instilled in others. We will hold his deeply generous spirit, true zest for life and big bear hugs in our hearts for all time.

These are the words I sang to him on his 70th birthday, 'May your heart always be joyful. And may your song always be sung. May you stay forever young.'

Jessica Mary Hewson

ENGAGEMENTS

Our sincere congratulations and best wishes go to the following on the announcement of their engagement:

Mark Fox (1988-92), son of Jack and Vicky Fox, and Tarryn, daughter of the late Clarence Ernest Leek and D'nene Page Leek;

James Kilpin (1996-00), son of **David (1951-60)** and Suzanne Kilpin, and Kerry, daughter of Mark and Sheena Warren of Bathhurst, Port Alfred.

Kyle Wilson (1997-2002), son of Geoff and Elspeth Wilson, and Maja, daughter of the late Dr Peter and Trienika Snoek

MARRIAGE:

Hearty congratulations go to the following on their recent marriage, together with our sincere good wishes for future happiness:

Oliver Cunningham (1984-91), son of Sean and Lynn Cunningham and Heather, daughter of Angus and Alison Greig on 15 October at Club Med, Albion, Mauritius;

Brendan Kirkpatrick (1989-93), son of the late John and Sasha Kirkpatrick and Rebecca, daughter of Professor David and Rachael Clayton on 25 October in Sifah, Oman;

James Timmers (1994-03), son of Gordon and Linda Timmers and Sarah Neil (2003), daughter of Timothy and Carol Neil in the Brooke Chapel, Bishops on 23 March, reception at Neethlingshof Wine Estate. – What a lovely story!

BIRTHS:

Warm congratulations go to the following on the recent births of sons or daughters:

Stephen (1985-93) and **Katherine Cunliffe**, a son, **Charles 'Charlie' Ethan** on 30 August;

Drew Duvenhage (1982-89) and **Emma Lindberg**, a daughter, **Idun Elisabeth** on 29 September in Umea, Sweden.

GOLDEN WEDDINGS:

Our hearty congratulations go to the following:



Mary and Alan Bromwell

Alan (1944-52) and **Mary Bramwell** who were married in Salisbury, S Rhodesia on 7 December 1963, and their address is: PO Box 847, Sun Valley 7985;

Tim (1948-57) and **Sheila le Feuvre** who were married at St John's Church, Wynberg on 12 October 1963, and their address is: Suite 172, Private Bag X31, Knysna 6570;

John (1950-53) and **Kay Powell** who were married at St. Peter's Church, Camps Bay on 1 June 1963, and now live at 92 Camps Bay Drive, Camps Bay 8001.

SENIOR ODS

We extend a cordial welcome to the following who have joined the ranks of OD Octogenarians during the last quarter of 2013. As usual, we apologize for any errors or omissions and would be glad to be informed of them.

Peter Jon Abbott (1948-51), 22 Cormorant Circle, Imhoff's Gift, Kommetjie 7976, on 18 November;

Alan Bramwell (1944-52), P O Box 847, Sun Valley 7985 on 9 October;

Peter Copeland (1948-51), Cosales (Pty) Ltd, P O Box 306, St Francis Bay 6312 on 27 December;

Dr Michael Fisher (1947-50), 43 Tetcott Road, Chelsea, London SW10 0SB, UK on 26 November;

Donald Goodspeed (1942-51) P O Box 1245, Langebaan 7357 on 11 November;

Neils Hauffe (1944-51), 20781 Evergreen Mills Road, Leesburg VA 20175 USA on 31 December;

Anthony Hockly (1942-51), 5 Sohland Avenue, Constantia 7806 on 24 November;

Neil Huxter (1941-51), Heron Wood, Boar's Hill, Oxford OX1 5JF, UK on 13 December;

Ian Macgregor (1943-51), Hotbergfontein, P O Box 3, Nieuwoudtville 8180 on 23 December;

Ian McCall (1948-51), P O Box 102, Fourways North 2086 on 19 December;

David Pryce (1945-50), Windsor Cottage, 4 Windsor Lane, Tokai 7945 on 17 December;

John Torr (1944-51), P O Box 1, Ceres 6835 on 19 November;

Maarten van Diggelen (1944-51), 27 Elm Park Cottages, Susanne Crescent, Northcliff 2195 on 14 December;

Adv Roger Whiting (1942-50), P O Box 130268, Bryanston 2021 on 7 October.

Equally sincere congratulations go to the following, who have celebrated birthdays during the fourth quarter of 2013:

97th Jim Turner (1926-35), 1103 Helderberg Village Private Bag X19, Somerset West 7129, on 1 November;

95th Maryon Minicki (1932-36), 2 Outspan Road, Fish Hoek, 7975, on 12 November.

- 94th** **George Miller (1933-35)**, 34 Mauch Road, Hilton, Kwazulu-Natal 3245, on 19 October;
- 93rd** **Willoughby Cleghorn (1931-38)**, Cottage J9, Peers Village, Private Bag X2, Vallyland 7978, on 24 November;
- 92nd** **Brian Banks (1930-40)**, Cottage 6, Rosedale, Lower Nursery Road, Rosebank 7700, on 26 November;
Harry Hands (1936-38), P O Box 34, Vlottenburg 7604, on 22 October;
John van der Byl (1936-41), Irene Estate, P O Box 589, Irene 1675 on 19 December.
- 91st** **John Duncan (1937-39)**, P O Box 296, Plettenberg Bay 6600, on 29 December;
- 90th** **Ulick Brown (1933-40)**, 3 Park Road, Rondebosch 7700, on 6 November;
Rev Thomas Gibson (1935-41), 9 Lansdowne Place West, Bath BA1 5EZ, England, on 10 December;
David Gow (1932-41), 97 Silvermine Village, Private Bag 1, Noordhoek, 7985, on 22 December;
Lt-Comdr Ian Lasbrey (1938-41), 7 Malone Heights, Upper Malone, Belfast BT9 5PG, Northern Ireland, on 11 November;
Frank Lilford (1939-40), 11 Alphenvale, Private Bag X17, Constantia 7848, on 4 October;
Rex Pennington (Staff 1953-68), P O Box 71, Hilton 3245, on 6 November;
John Snapp (1933-40), 43 Manning Road, Double Bay, NSW 2028, Australia, on 24 November.
- 89th** **Robert George Osler (1937-41)**, 8 Pillans Place, Rosedale, Lower Nursery Road, Rosebank 7700, on 17 December;
David Parry (1933-36), 5 Azalea Suite, Cle du Cap Health Centre, Polsmoor Road, Kirstenhof 7945, on 14 November;
- 88th** **Derrick Ferrandi (1936-43)**, 950 Helderberg Village, P. Bag X19, Somerset West 7129, on 22 October;
Phyllip Golding (1939-43), Cottage 39, Fairhaven, Woodhead Drive, Humewood, Port Elizabeth 6001, on 5 November;
Dr Hansie Hofmeyr (1937-43), 176 Heritage Manor Somerset West 7130, on 18 December;
Richard Kemsley (1938-44), P O Box 1264, Faerie Glen, 0043, on 29 November;
Otto Carl Kiessig (1940-43), Unit No 6, Carriageway, 52 Park Drive, Port Elizabeth 6001, on 23 November;



Bobbie Schierhout

Brian Robb (1938-41), 22 Whitehouse Road, Woodcote, South Oxon RG8 0SA, England, on 15 December;

William ('Bobby') Schierhout (1935-40), 107 The Chase, Mount Pleasant, Harare, Zimbabwe, on 25 October;

Tony van Ryneveld (1934-43), 13 Cabernet Circle, Cumberland Avenue, Constantia 7806, on 17 November.

87th

Stewart McIntosh (1937-40), P O Box 87561, Houghton 2041, on 5 October;

Basil Hone (1940-43), P O Box 680, Oldwick, New Jersey 08858, USA on 1 October;

Ian Campbell (1941-44), P O Box 4078, Ida's Valley 7609, on 15 October;

Edson Frost (1936-44), Flat 29, 19 Dean Road, Hampton TW12 1BF, England, on 25 December;

Michael Le Mesurier (1935-44), 37 Towersey Drive, Thame, OX9 3NS, England, on 21 December;

Chris Steytler (1941-44), 403 Maynardville Court, Wellington Avenue, Wynberg 7800, on 2 November;

John Leyds (1936-45), Private Bag X5, Jukskei Park 2152, on 20 October.

86th

Brian Barends (1937-45), 453 Helderberg Village, Private Bag X19, Somerset West 7129, on 29 October;

Dr Fred Cornwall (1941-42), The Cotswolds, 8 Indian Road, Kenilworth 7708, on 26 October;

William van der Byl (1936-45), 2 Heath Common, Membury, Axminster, Devon EX13 7UF, UK, on 18 November.

85th

Kenneth Ackerman (1943-45), 1 Dunstan Road, Golders Green, London NW11 8AG, on 23 December;

Christopher Compton (1942-46), 16 Lyndhurst Gardens, London NW3, on 1 December;

Lindsay Cook (1943-46), P O Box 2625, Harare, Zimbabwe, on 27 December;

Prof Robert Frater (1937-46), 24 Prescott Avenue, Bronxville, New York 10708, on 12 November;

Dr Anthony Hughesdon (1937-46), Ellenglaze, 1 Tregenna Fields, Camborne, Cornwall TR14 7QS, England, on 8 November;

Derrrick Mills (1937-46), 3 Visser Avenue, Kenilworth 7708, on 29 October;

Geoff Montgomery (1937-46), Smithfield House, P O Box 221, Smithfield 9966,

on 3 December;

Ian Nicholson (1939-45), #11-2 Royal Ann Court, Osoyoos BC V0H 1V2 Canada, on 29 October;

Dr John Noakes (1943-45), 108 Cranbrook Road, Bristol BS6 7BD England, on 29 November;

Pieter Roux (1942-46), 6 Groevenbeek Avenue, Constantia 7806, on 24 December;

Dr Etienne van Heerden (1942-45), 6 Mill Park Road, Mill Park 6001, on 17 October.

84th **Douglas Green (1938-47)**, 409 Helderberg Village, Private Bag X19, Somerset West 7129 on 16 December;

Bruce Relly (1939-47), P O Box 471, Pringle Bay, 7196, on 25 November.

83rd **Peter Adams (1945-48)**, 57 Totnes Road, Plumstead 7800, on 4 November;
Hugo de Bruyn (1942-49), P O Box 1214, Somerset West 7129, on 16 November;
Douglas Heffer (1941-48), Old Orchard, Durweston, Blandford Forum, Dorset DT11 0QA, UK, on 11 November;

Christopher Ould (1947-49), 16 10th Avenue, Fish Hoek 7975, on 23 October.

Dr John Philip (1944-48), 2691 Cerrada El Ocote, Tucson AZ 85718 USA, on 29 November;

Ken Stuart-Findlay (1943-47), P O Box 23, Plumstead 7801, on 23 October.

82nd **Dr Sholto Cole (1941-49)**, 21 Creeks End Lane, Ottawa, Ontario K2H 1C7, Canada, on 20 October;

Guys Hofmeyr (1945-49), Lauriston, 3 Third Avenue, Voelklip, Hermanus 7200, on 8 November;

Derek Marais (1945-49), 713 Helderberg Village, PBX 19, Somerset West 7129, on 7 October;

Frank Moodie (1945-48), 24a Ocean Road, Ohope Beach, Whakatane 3121, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand, on 7 December;

Dr Robin Sandell (1945-48), 15 Groevenbeek Avenue, Constantia 7806, on 3 November;

Ian Townsend (1946-49), P O Box 1, Hazyview 1242, on 16 October.

81st **Philip Ashley-Cooper (1942-48)**, Cottage 58, Fairhaven, Woodhead Road Extn, Port Elizabeth 6001, on 27 December;

André Beyers (1946-50), 7 Roos Road, Green Point 8005, on 15 December;

Donald Campbell (1944-50), 11055 Steenberg Estate, Tokai Road, Tokai 6845, on 21 December;

Dr Harald Copenhagen (1941-50), 132 Argyle Road, London W13 8ER, UK, on 17 November;

Paul Fisher (1946-50), P O Box 50, Ikelenge, NW Province, Zambia, on 21 October;

John Groves (1943-51), 47 Rathfelder Avenue, Constantia, 7806, on 12 November;

Ray Lankester (1946-50), P O Box 568, Plettenberg Bay 6600, on 23 October;

Chris Newton (1941-49), Unit 61 Evergreen Retirement Village, Homestead Avenue, Bergvliet 7860, on 16 October;

David Sedgwick (1940-50), 2 Seascape, Acacia Road, Helderview 7130, on 9 December;

Bill Trollip (1944-48), P O Box 1116, Hermanus 7200, on 30 October;

Roger West (1946-50), Luntley House, Pembridge, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 9EH, UK, on 12 October;

CLASS REUNIONS

IN THE PLANNING STAGES

7-9 March 2014

Organizers:

CLASS OF 1954

John Charlton – Hon Life Chairman

Ian Brown

Peter Steyn

60 YEAR

ianbrown@telkomsa.net

peregrine@mweb.co.za

13-17 March 2014

Organizer:

CLASS OF 1959

Chet Sainsbury

55 YEAR

sainsbury@kingsley.co.za

30-31 August 2014

Organizer:

CLASS OF 1964

Rohan Vos

50 YEAR

rohan@rovos.co.za

13-16 March 2014

Organizer:

CLASS OF 1974

Richard King

40 YEAR

richard.king@mweb.co.za

12-16 March 2014

Organizer:

CLASS OF 1984

Paul Burton

30 YEAR

burton@iafrica.com

13-16 March 2014

Organizer:

CLASS OF 1989

Duncan de Groot

25 YEAR

ddegroot@empowdex.com

11-15 March 2015

Organizer:

CLASS OF 1965

Bruce Risien

50 YEAR

brisien@sabiomedical.co.za

REUNION REPORTS

25 YEAR REUNION REPORT

Class of 1988 Reunion. **Edwin Roberts** reports:

Matrics and Post Matrics from 1988 celebrated their 25 year reunion with an array of activities from 16 – 18 August.

It's a tremendous privilege to be educated at Bishops as the education is far more encompassing than merely an academic curriculum; it provides the foundation to create, contribute and to forge relationships for a lifetime. Although five years of high school is a relatively short period, it's a period when many of the learning experiences are shared with peers. Experiences that tie Bishops Old Boys together in a collage of memories that will forever be recounted embroidered upon and retold time and again. The Bishops Old Boy bond and commonality provides the context for countless reunions, laughter and relationships of enduring trust and respect. In today's highly networked world these relationships have become even more important to nurture and grow.

Graduates from 1988 celebrated their 25 year reunion over a period of three days, recalling experiences and creating new ones. The richness of diversity in Bishops provided the context for an action packed reunion. It's fabulous how the Bishops brand enables us to resume our antics, shared humour and goodwill with such ease despite years apart.

The lads and even some families travelled from UK, Australia and the like to celebrate the 25 year anniversary and rekindle relationships. The commitment to friendship and a genuine desire to use this opportunity to have good clean fun was terrific, and fun we certainly had.



Back row left to right: Adrian Kuttel, David Roodie, Chris Hathaway, Eugene van Wyk, De Villiers Graaff, John De Groot, Barry Donnelly, Guy Wood, Justin Stewart, Lance Munroe
Front row left to right: Ric Mayhew, Greg Aveling, Justin Wilson, Eddie Roberts

Proceedings started on Friday at De Villiers Graaff's magnificent wine farm, *De Grendel*. To ensure misdemeanors were accounted for a list of 'rules' were established and 'fines' appropriate for us 40 year old teenagers were embraced with enthusiasm. As would be expected from a school steeped in history, our proceedings commenced with a brief history lesson of the wine farm, which was quickly followed by a very informative introduction to the cultivars produced by *De Grendel*. A series of general knowledge questions interjected the tasting session, testing the memory of some more than others, such as: what does BBC mean? Appropriate fines were imposed for those whose memories were showing their age. A scrumptious lunch befitting royalty left no doubt why *De Grendel* is fast becoming the preeminent estate in the Cape. Festivities moved to *The Cape Grace* where a more modern cultural entertainment awaited the group with up tempo live music, before drawing an end to the first day with dinner at *Carlyle's*, although some did need to familiarize themselves with the city surroundings more than others.

The 1st XV kicked-off our Saturday itinerary with an entertaining game against Wynberg. It was particularly special to see Basil Bey and Tim Hamilton-Smith, who had been the father figures, coaches and educators to many of the boarders of our era. The enthusiastic cheering and banter had built quite a hunger and not surprisingly a dry palette for the fellas too. Special thanks to the OD office, in particular Carolyn, who had arranged the use of the appropriately appointed Frank Reid Pavilion. Children enjoyed running on the fields and climbing trees whilst the Old Boys and partners were treated to the most delicious spit-braai superbly prepared by the legendary Paul Farber, Paul being an old boy himself from Top House; he has an enviable track record and I'd encourage this tradition of using his services to be maintained by others too. Festivities moved to Clifton just as the rainy weather subsided to provide a picturesque sunset at *The Bungalow* just as the Springbok game began. Celebrations moved into Camps Bay where another evening of live music unfolded, recounting memories which hark back to an era of Josh Hawks and Ed Jordan.

Whilst some good things come to an end it's comforting to know that schoolboy friendships never do. Thanks to all who contributed to a successful reunion weekend!

20 YEAR

Class of 1993 reunion. **Chris Edwards** reports:



After much prevarication and debate, the weekend of September 27 saw the class of '93 descend on the college for their 20 year reunion. Fortunately the school was in the middle of the September holidays so comments from the students along the lines of 'who are those old guys?' were kept to a minimum. After six months of trying to track down the uncontactables, there was the inevitable last minute rush, with several phone calls being received on the Friday afternoon enquiring as whether it was in fact the reunion and would it be possible to attend. We were however joined by a number travelling from far and wide, including Carl Scott from the UK, Barrie Arnold from the US and Crispin Jackson from Norway. Logistics resolved, the first wave arrived for an interesting tour of the school, kindly hosted by Melvyn Wallis-Brown – and how things have changed! We then retired to the Heatlie Pavilion for refreshments (with some delicious wines kindly donated by Jacques DeWet of *Excelsior*), a lamb on the spit and many hours of catching up, reminiscing and working out where the past 20 years have taken us. It was great to be joined by Basil Bey, Hugh Fynn and Kenny Williams (looking resplendent in his dinner jacket!). Head Boy of our year Peter Walsh took the opportunity to say a few words and very eloquently reminded us of the importance of our links to each other and to the school. As fervour levels increased, cries of 'Floreat Founders' were heard drifting across the Piley Rees whilst the rest of the boarding houses continued the age old debate of who held the lion for the longest. The rest of the team got on to more serious issues with a number going long into the night.

The following day saw most feeling every bit of our 20 additional years as we drifted into the Frank Reid for a braai with wives and kids in tow. A high point was the opportunity to view the Outeniqua Yellow Wood, kindly donated by Nick Stodel, and planted on the boundary along with a memorial plaque in memory of classmates who have sadly passed away; Michel Lanfranchi, Edward

Lebeko, Sebastian Petersen and George Tyers. After replenishing our reserves, 40 of us decamped to Newlands to watch South Africa take down Australia. Our neighbours in the Railway stand were certainly thrilled to have the Province backline coach in amongst them - he was however amazingly upstaged as we realised that none other than the original 'Dude', Jeff Bridges, was sitting two rows in front of us. After the rugby we were kindly hosted by Douglas Boyes at the *Toad & Josephine* where the result was heartily celebrated indeed.

All in all, a fantastic weekend was had by all, with firm promises made not to leave it for another 20 years before the next get together. Special thanks to Carolyn Hamilton-Smith and the ODU team for assisting with the organisation, Jamie Boyes for being the guy on the ground and Michael Furter and Robert Fleck for their assistance with the memorial plaque.

See you all in ten years.



5 YEAR

Class of 2008. **Mark van Heerden** reports:



Chris Leach, Max Engeland, Scott Mclean, Marc van Heerden, Tom Martinez, and Nick Dowdall

lamb spit-braai, a few beers and shared stories about the memorable borders/dayboys relay, historic wins on the Piley Rees and Birt's eisteddfod dominance (luck!).

As the evening went on, our Matric Dance DVD was played in the pavilion – it certainly was entertaining to watch the couples from five years' ago enjoying themselves and 'dancing in the moonlight'. After this, we watched our Rugby DVD and it was clear to see who had picked up some weight since the glory days of 2008!



Scott Mclean, Ryan du Toit, Gareth Handley and Shaun Barnes

everyone was very appreciative of the guys who managed to fly in from different parts of the country. Thank you to Nick Lassen for all of the time and effort that he put into organising a superb evening!

On 7 of September 2013, we, the Matric Class of 2008, held our five year reunion at the Oaks Pavilion. It was a wonderful evening of reminiscing, laughing and catching up with old friends.

Unfortunately, it was the first formal meeting of our year since our dear friend and classmate, Mike McMillan, tragically passed away on 13 July. However, we made certain to celebrate the evening with joy and enthusiasm that would have made him proud.

Everyone enjoyed a delicious

We decided to commemorate our first reunion by handing out beer glasses to everyone who attended, which were engraved with the OD Mitre and the initials of Mike. Furthermore, each person was asked to write a quick story and to sign in the 'Reunion Book' which will be brought to all of the next reunions of the Class of 2008.

Overall, the evening was fantastic, and thoroughly enjoyed by all. It was truly special to see such a good turnout, and

OD OFFICE

VISITORS



Blyth Thompson (1946)
George



Martin Hugall (1963)
England



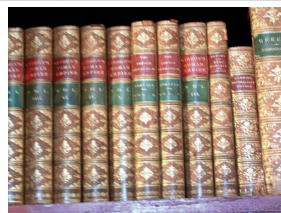
Alec Lockhart (1975)
& Wanida Thailand

As well as: Michael Rydon (1946) Australia, Tim Le Feuvre (1957) Knysna, Thandikile Dlova (1993), Johannesburg, Nicholas Silvester (2009) Edinburgh

MUSEUM TEA



On 17 October of this year, at a special tea, the Principal Mr Guy Pearson and Paul Murray, Chief Archivist, thanked a number of people who had been kind enough to donate to our Museum some rather special items. Through such gifts, we are constantly reminded of our past, and of how proud of that past we should be. It is our hope that our Bishops' folk will be persuaded to bring us more! The museum is, after all, moving to new quarters next year – new quarters will mean more space for exhibits, more up-to-date equipment to enable us to keep our memorabilia safe and in good shape and we shall be open to visitors on a regular basis.



Special guests at the tea were **Jeremy Lawrence (1953)** who donated items that had belonged to his maternal grandfather, **Sir Malcolm Searle (1875)**; **Ulick Brown (1940)**, a benefactor who is at this time sponsoring three boys through Bishops; Patrick and Peter Hill, whose grandfather was **Alex Logie Du Toit**, renowned geologist famous for the 'wandering continents'. He was at Bishops in the early 1900s. His grandchildren donated Diocesan College Prizes won by this world famous geologist. **Brian (1945)** and **Cynthia Barends**, great friends of the Museum and former donors of **Eugene Marcus** memorabilia.

DONATIONS

Sincere thanks to go to the following for their most welcome and generous donations to the OD Bursary Fund.

Warham Searle Will Trust, Major Ian Gordon, Major Mervyn Lawton the 20 year Reunion group and the **Estate late Mrs KM Madden**.

ODU COMMITTEE STRATEGIC PLAN 2013 – 2015

This is available on the ODU website for you to read at your leisure.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

The following recommendations will be proposed at the AGM in March next year. Jonathan Steytler will draft these proposed amendments to the constitution.

- (i) *That the length of service for committee member be increased from a three year to a five year period.*
- (ii) *That the Chairman of ODU Committee will in future chair the AGM, with the Honorary Treasurer, President and Patron alongside.*
- (iii) *That membership is expanded to include the concept of 'Honorary OD'. This category would include staff, administration staff, clergy and any servant of Bishops that the committee saw fit to award honorary membership.*

BISHOPS BLACK OLD BOYS FORUM - Moshi Apleni reports:

VISION:

- To create an environment that will facilitate and assist the process of affording educational and sporting opportunities to kids from the previously disadvantaged communities primarily in the Cape Town region, and extending to the rest of South Africa.
- To give back to these communities by using Bishops Diocesan College as a vehicle to affect positive change.

OBJECTIVES:

- To ensure greater involvement of black old boys in the OD union.
- To meet and initiate discussions with individuals, groups and organizations that are in a position to assist and/or contribute
- To assist in the marketing of Bishops to target prospective funders.
- To assist in encouraging affluent citizens from the designated groups to enrol their boys at Bishops.
- To find ways and means to have the Scholarship programmes evaluated and increased.

- To resuscitate the **Hamilton Mvelase** Scholarship Fund (HMSF).
- Assist in establishing others

- To assimilate all previously disadvantaged ODs, current Boys and Parents within the broader Bishops Community and structures.
- To act as mentors to the afore-mentioned people.

BACKGROUND

- Bishops has been ahead of the pack in affording the previously disadvantaged educational opportunities.

■ Scholarships at Bishops play a vital role, and in particular, the significance of the Scholarship being called ‘**Hamilton Mvelase**’ in honour of an ordinary black boy from the township (this further reiterates Bishops as an inclusive inspired school)

■ Somewhere along the way – this got lost and they’ve been trying to find their way since. The surrounding schools have not only caught up, but have, in many instances, surpassed everything that Bishops has achieved. The 2010 conference was but one of the many plans to properly change the face of the school, but this hasn’t been very successful.

■ The demise of the HMSF has led to the dwindling number of Black Students at Bishops, especially from Western Cape and South Africa

THE WAY FORWARD

The rationale is not to reinvent the wheel but to be part of the thought processes (the think-tank) in coming up with strategies that will guide the future of the OD Union and Bishops in carving a future for itself in the ever changing face of South Africa without losing its core values and its high standards of education.



Thobile Vumazonke, Abraham Mateta, Wela Mnkuzwana, Bulelani Calana, Moshe Apleni, Lunga Makoba, Gladwell Ndzube, Arthur Mngxekeza and Lochore Stofile

The committee is led by the following ODs:

Kennedy Jimba (School House, 83)

In 1979 – Kennedy was the first black African scholar at Bishops, thanks to his father, who was the Xhosa teacher from 1977. He is a Director / Shareholder at *Voidpro Manufacturing* – a Permanent Decking Manufacturing and Distribution business. He also is a former Chairman of the South Peninsula Chapter of the Cape Chamber of Commerce and former board member. He still sits in Council of the Cape Chamber and is currently a Board Member at the Castle of Good Hope – accountable to the Minister of Defence.

Khakhaza Mhlauli (White House, 89)

KK was born and bred in Gugulethu, Ny 137 and currently lives in Parklands, Cape Town. KK is the Founder and Director of *Ikusasa Chemicals*, a black owned Chemical Distributor, with a turnover of around R80 million. KK is the Business Unit Manager for *Protea Chemicals Cape Region*, a member of

The starting point – for all is to formally join the OD Union and be able to influence from within. The OD Union set up, through its membership, brings with it a magnitude of skills, knowledge and an extensive influential network. This means that Black ODs are there to acquire skills and knowledge that will enable them to be assets in the bigger scheme of things.

the *Omnia Group*. He is also a Shareholder of *Sakhile 1* and *2*, who are part owners of the *Omnia Group*. KK has worked for *Protea Chemicals* since 1997. His primary education was cultivated at Xolani Lower Primary School and Intshinga Higher Primary School and he was awarded a Scholarship to Bishops in 1985. KK was also selected onto the prestigious Brooks-Bishops exchange program, spending 1988 in the USA at Brooks School in Washington, where he appeared on *Good Morning America* to discuss South Africa's political situation and was profiled as a future leader-in a documentary called a World Apart. He is a graduate of the *Gordon Institute of Business Science* and holds many prominent positions in the Water and Chemicals Industry in the Cape. He is a partner in *Chilleks*, a Sports Bar in Port Elizabeth- cleverly named by combining the words Chill and Relax. He is the Chairperson of the Influential *Amaghave Savings Group* in Gugulethu.

KK was interviewed and featured as one of South Africa's prominent businessmen in UK's *Sky News* coverage of the 2009 SA elections.

Thobile Vumazonke (White House, 93)

Thobile Vumazonke grew up in Gugulethu NY 94 – 49 and went to St Mary's Catholic school in Nyanga Township before getting a scholarship to study at Bishops in 1989. Thobile completed a BA (law) degree and a Post Graduate Diploma in Marketing at UCT and currently lives in Century City Cape Town. Thobile recently relocated back to Cape Town after spending sometime in Johannesburg working in the petroleum industry as a Business Development Manager. He is currently with *Engen* petroleum working as a Sales and Operations Executive in their lubricants division. Thobile has a son at Bishops Pre-Prep.

He is currently studying towards an Advanced Certificate in Management for Oil and Gas through the Rhodes Business School in conjunction with SAPIA (South African Petroleum Industry Association). Thobile is involved in various organisations in Cape Town which seek to uplift individuals namely *Masibambane Social Club* which is based in Gugulethu.

Arthur Mngxekeza (Founders House, 97)

Arthur Mngxekeza was born in Gugulethu NY 1 (renamed: Steve Biko Drive) and went to Bonga Primary and then Sakumlandela Primary in Khayelitsha before getting a scholarship to Bishops in 1993. Arthur holds a Call Center Management Diploma from Damelin and Certification as Finance Functional Consultant from SAP Academy South Africa. He has 14 years' experience in the Call Centre-Customer Relationship Management industry in capacities such as Trainer, Workforce Scheduler and Manager for companies such as *Vodacom*, *Discovery* and *MTN*. Arthur recently moved back to Cape Town after 10 years in Johannesburg and he currently runs *GOAT Clothing Manufacture* with his cousin in Woodstock. He has a son at Bishops (Grade 1) and a daughter at Herschel (Grade 7).

Arthur is a committed member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Khayelitsha and participates in all SDA Youth, Community and Moral regeneration initiatives.

Moshe Apleni (Founders House, 97)

Moshe is from Gugulethu, and attended Xolani Lower Primary school, and Intshinga Higher

Primary school, where he won a Scholarship to Bishops at the end of 1992.

Moshe is a founder member and Secretary of Gugulethu Youth Development Forum (GYDF), a voluntary registered Non-Profit Organization, started in 2007 by 10 youths from Gugulethu. He studied History, Politics and Philosophy at Tukkies, University of Pretoria in 2005. He has worked for worked for *Gugulethu Square* as the Marketing Manager, driving all marketing related matters at the Gugulethu Square Shopping centre since 2010.

He headed up the historic and ground breaking campaign *Name Your Street* on behalf of the City of Cape Town, galvanising the community to participate in the renaming of the streets of Gugulethu from the apartheid era NY-Native Yard. He was nominated to the panel of experts advising the Mayor of Cape Town on the street name submissions. Moshe has recently appeared on various regional and national radio stations and also renowned publications such as the *Financial Mail*, the *SA Entrepreneur Magazine* and *Destiny Man*. Moshe has recently joined Brandsrock Marketing as a Project Manager.

Moshe is the driving force behind the Black OD initiative; he and Arthur sit as observers in the ODU committee.

Bulelani “Bobs” Calana (White House, 2000)

Bobs, is a recipient of the Hamilton Mvelase Scholarship, and was in White House from 1996. He matriculated from Bishops in 2000. He was an accomplished Athlete at Bishops with full basketball colours and Athletics as well as a School prefect. He was also a Brooks Exchange scholar in 1999.

He studied B Sosci in Industrial Psychology and Labour Relations. He worked as a Sales rep for *J Melnick and Co*: 2006-2009, where he rose to the position of Key Account Manager. He has worked at *Peninsula Beverages* since 2009, where is now a General Sales Manager.

NOTICES FOR YOUR DIARY

CHRISTMAS DAY

*There will be a service in the
Brooke Chapel at 8.30 a.m.
All ODs families and friends
are most welcome.*

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE OD UNION

WEDNESDAY 12 MARCH 2014

Venue: *The AGM will be held
in the Hyslop Hall (Music School)*

Time: *at 6.00 p.m.*

*Please see the notice of the agenda at the
end of the OD section*

CHRISTMAS CAROLS WITH RICHARD COCK

SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER

Venue: *Memorial Chapel, BISHOPS*

Time: *6.00 p.m*

Bookings: Computicket

086 1915 8000

OD GOLF: WALKER CUP

SUNDAY 3 MARCH 2013

Venue: *Royal Cape*

Starting time: *1.00 p.m.*

Please contact **Brian de Kock:**
bdekock@iafrica.com if you would
like to play & give him your handicap.

GEOFF BRYANT CRICKET MATCH: ODs vs OAs

SATURDAY 5 APRIL 2014

Venue: Johannesburg Country Club

Contact: andrew@thewealthchest.com
or +27 82 922 6157 if you wish to play

ODs and families are invited to attend after match braai. more details to follow

ANNUAL DINNER OF THE OD UNION

THURSDAY 13 MARCH 2014

Venue: The Ballroom, Kelvin Grove

Time: 7.00 for 7.30 p.m.

Dress: Black tie or suit

Cost: R295

Guest Speaker: Thabang Skwambane (1993)

MC: Anton Taylor (2005)

Bookings: odu@bishops.org.za
or 021-6851829

Payment by eft: Standard Bank,
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*Please send proof of payment to:
odu@bishops.org.za
or fax (office hours): 021 6851829*

FOUNDERS DAY

FRIDAY 14 MARCH 2014

**There will be a lunch
for ODs participating in events.**

Time: The 1st and 2nd XI games
will begin at 11.30 a.m.

*ODs wishing to take part in cricket, tennis, water polo,
debating, basketball or shooting matches must submit their
names to those listed below as soon as possible.*

**There will be a reception at the
Frank Reid Pavilion after the matches.**

■ **Shooting:** Phil Calothi phil@lsds.co.za

■ **Tennis:** John Smuts westbury@iafrica.co.za

■ **Basketball:** Glen Gibbon ggibbon@bishops.org.za

■ **Water Polo:** James Swift jswift@bishops.org.za

■ **Debating:** Jo Stielau jstielau@bishops.org.za

■ **Cricket:** Brian Robertson brian@vhf.co.za

OD HOCKEY

Nic Olds reports:

After an exhilarating first team game between two very good teams, the ODs took to the field to play an inaugural 'friendly' game against the Rondebosch Old Boys. It was scheduled to be a friendly but neither team was there to lose. What was expected to be a pedestrian game with everyone trying to show off their skills was anything but that, with the ODs finding each other almost immediately even though many hadn't played together in well over three years. As Bishops Rugby has the mantle of 'passing rugby', Bishops hockey under Warren Wallace has developed a beautiful style of pass-and-move hockey, which is a joy to behold. The ODs started off the stronger with many of our players still playing top hockey in the Grand Challenge league in the Western Cape. The ODs were flaring and were throwing caution to the wind and attacking from everywhere on the field, goalkeeper Matthew How even playing a part in an attacking move which was duly finished off by Michael Watson, coming out of a two year injury retirement. Sholto Morgan then got his name on the scoresheet via a deflection from a Bosch



*Bishops v Rondebosch
hockey match*

Old Boys stick after a build-up started in the left hand corner and some incredible one touch hockey. Bosch pulled one back to make it 2-1, but in the end the ODs were too strong and scored a third through Seb Golding after another well worked move. The ODs had much more in the tank towards the end of the game having a much younger team and had many more chances to extend the lead yet could not score any more, James Drummond hitting the post twice in three minutes. The final score: ODs 3 - 1 Bosch Old Boys.

Many spectators marvelled at the quality of hockey on display, and were incredibly impressed, that the roots that Warren Wallace had instilled in everyone was still there and testament must go to him that even after all the years, one can clearly see that the ilk of hockey on display was due to his coaching and mentoring. Thank you to Laurie Gardener and everyone who was involved in setting up this momentous occasion. We expect it to really take-off next year, with more OD games against the top schools in the Western Cape.

The following ODs were involved:

Sadiq Albertyn (2009), Eric Allan (2010), Ramsay Collins (2011), Andrew Drummond (2009), James Drummond (2012), Rob Edwards (2010), Seb Golding (2011), Ali Golding (2012), Matthew How (2012), William Leslie (2010), Giovanni Marchesini (2012), Sholto Morgan (2008), Nicholas Olds (2009), Charlie Plimsoll (2011), Muhammed Raja (2009), William Rosenberg (2010), Siya Semetu (2009), James Stewart (2006), Mike Watson (2011), Luke Willets (2010).

ODS VS BISHOPS



1st Hockey XI

The game on the calendar that every school boy wants to win, sometimes even more than a Rondebosch derby game, started off with a bang with the ODs being hit back by an extremely determined 1st team coached by the evergreen (and ever balding) Warren Wallace, who has been likened to Arsene Wenger in his ability to take even the weakest individual team and mould them into an attacking winning team. The first couple minutes had the young OD back four consisting of the defensive unit of the 2009 1st XI camped inside their own circle. Eventually the ODs broke the deadlock

through some silky hands by **Seb Golding** and brilliant interplay from the link lineup. Much to the amusement of all the spectators **Luke Willets** coming out of a self-imposed retirement was exceptionally ecstatic. After the second OD goal went in, the game seemed to be out of the school boys grasp and much showboating occurred and some attacking play right from the ODs bottom left hand corner resulted in the move of the game with all three forwards inexplicably unable to put



the ball in the back of the net and had to endure the wrath of Willets from the back. The school boys hit back with a well worked goal but the ODs put the game beyond doubt with another well worked passing move with some beautiful one touch hockey. The last few minutes of the game involved some nervy moments for the ODs and at the end of the day Bishops Hockey was the winner. All spectators marvelled at the beauty of the hockey on display and credit must be given to Warren Wallace and his outstanding style of play that has been engraved into all the players.

OD UNION INTER-HOUSE RUGBY SEVEN'S 2013

Report by **Dugald Robertson:**

Despite flood warnings and serious weather alerts, the inaugural OD Inter-house Sevens Tournament went ahead on Thursday 29 August. This marked the end of the ODs versus Boys fixture and the beginning of something entertaining and enjoyable for all involved.

TANKS TIGERS



Marcus Milner, William van Dugteren, Alister Smuts, Martin Bey, Nick Durrant, Gary Skeeles, Matthew le Roux, J. Lucas McDowall, Mike Waller, Marlon Parring, Jimmy Adams, Deryck Rowe-Roberts, Mauro Fioravanti and Terence Xolani



Losing finalists School House

With the sun peeking out, the ODs pulled on their respective house colours for the first time since leaving school, and in front of a large crowd of school boys began the pool games on the Cemetery and Range fields. Crunch games between Founders v Mallett and School v White were of particular interest, with the winners essentially booking a place in the much coveted final. A dominant Founders team came back from a three try deficit to win by four points and showed the skills and class that are so often associated with the house. School played out to a 5-5 draw with White, however went through after scoring more points than White on the day. This method was used in calculating the group winner, emphasising the Bishops mentality of attack over defence.

This set up a scintillating final between Bishops' two oldest houses, Founders versus School. However before this event took place there was

the curtain raiser between Bey's Ba Baa's and Tank's Tigers. Basil Bey and Tim Hamilton-Smith, two of Bishops Rugby's most successful and legendary coaches, took charge of the Staff team and an Old Croc's side respectively. This fixture had the well sized crowd in hysterics as school boys and ODs alike watched their current and former masters' play to a narrow 37-32 loss to the Tigers. This paved the way for the much awaited final; where crowds of people had come in to watch some of Bishop's previous stars battle it out for the inaugural cup.

The final began with the players running out onto the Piley Rees, to the sound of *I Vow to Thee My Country*. The game soon became a one-sided affair, as Founders began running in the tries. School House seemed to be exhausted from their nail-biting final group game against White House. Support was on-going throughout the final, as a generous happy-hour kept School House supporters in check. School House eventually succumbing to a 41-0 loss. With the final over and the crowd entertained, the post-match activities began. A

brief but efficient post-match function, conducted by Anton Taylor, saw the Founders captain Mike Cockburn receive the OD Inter-house Seven's trophy from Basil Bey. Concluding what was a great day for all involved, an event that will grow and become a fixture on the calendar for years to come.

Pro Fide et Patria



Victorious Founders team



Mike Cockburn receives trophy from Basil Bey

OD COCKTAIL PARTY/YOUNG OD BRAAI

The traditional winter get-together became part of the OD rugby Sevens evening and it was really wonderful to see so many young ODs at the event. Many would say that they were attracted by the 'happy hour', when beers were available for R5.00 each. This is possibly true and borne out by the fact that in a short space of time the bar ran out of beer. **Greg Mallett (2008)**, who is an experienced barman and organizer of such events, later claimed that 70 cases of beer were sold during the evening! This is more than are sold after the Rondebosch match! Frantic calls were sent out for further supplies, which to Greg's great credit, arrived fairly quickly! It was not really a braai, but refreshments were available throughout the evening and the 'hot dogs' were particularly popular. Karen Mallett is to be warmly thanked for arranging and supplying the food.

We are delighted to receive such support from the 'young ODs' and the committee is justifiably proud that there are so many under 25's attending the various events during the year.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS AWARDED THEIR OD TIE

OD ties were officially presented to the Matrics by **Brian Robertson** and Tim Hamilton-Smith



Brian Robertson hands tie to Head Prefect Ty Wills

and renowned Old Boys Unions in the world.

Tim advised them to always wear the OD tie at job interviews as that 'would guarantee that you would be offered the job!'

Brian told them a little bit about the history of the tie. For instance our colours are very similar to Rugby School in the UK except that their green stripe is broader. Rugby of course is far older than Bishops, but our colours were adopted in 1896 some years before the Old Rugbeian Society decided upon theirs. However when the similarity was discovered, correspondence between **Frank Reid** and his counterpart at Rugby produced a happy agreement that the OD stripes would slope downwards from right to left from the wearer's point of view and OR stripes from left to right!

ODs entitled to wear both OD and OR ties have been **CWH Kingsley (1886)**, **David Lacey (1943)**, **Neil Symington (1949)** and **Mark Evans (1971)**, who was Head of School at Rugby in 1973.

(see p 276 *Bishops 150* – **John Gardener's History of Diocesan College**)

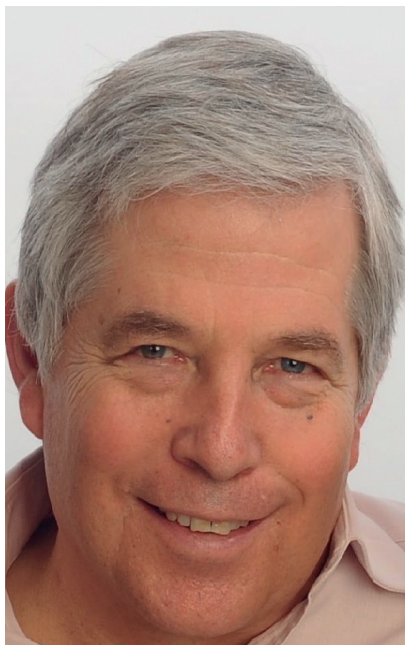
2013 PRIZE GIVING

Each year the ODU sponsors four prizes. The winner of the OD All-Rounders Prize, the George Hodgson Prize and the OD Merit Prize are awarded by the Principal. The winner of the Jamison Prize is awarded by vote of the Games Committee.

- This year the **Jamison Prize** (the best all-round sportsman) was awarded to **Ryan Julius**.
- The **George Hodgson Prize** (for integrity) was awarded to **Saleem Firfirey**.
- The **All-Rounders Prize** went to **Ty Willis**.
- The **OD Merit Prize** (the most prestigious achievement) went to **Joe Kahn**. Joe won the South African title for Public Speaking and also was placed second in the World championships.

during the last Matric assembly of the year in the Memorial chapel. Thereafter the 154 school leavers were asked to listen to the wise words of support and advice given by Brian and Tim and the hugely amusing ramblings and ranting's of the two youngest members of the OD Committee, **Anton Taylor (2005)** and **Dugald Robertson (2010)**. After no time at all the matrics were in little doubt whatsoever as to the importance of the OD Tie and its magical qualities and also what it is going to mean to be a member of the one of the most prestigious

The ODU is delighted to announce the following appointments.



NEW BRANCH SECRETARY FOR THE UK – Nicky Bicket (1973).

Nicky is a 1973 matriculant. After school and university he joined *Pick 'n Pay* where he remained until 1999, when he was appointed head of HR and Strategy at *Old Mutual*. In 2006 he was transferred to *Old Mutual's* London office, leaving at the start of 2010 to run his own management consultancy, *The Katala Partnership* which works with companies across the UK, Europe and the United States.

His wife Karen teaches socio-linguistics at two British universities. They have two daughters, one in her final year at Edinburgh University, the other in her final year of high school. Nicky's twin brother, Zandy, is a judge in the USA.

In his spare time, he still occasionally guests as a church organist, plays the piano and enjoys road running and reading. He is excited about the opportunity to meet and mix with the UK ODs, and indeed any OD who might be passing through England.



NEW BRANCH SECRETARY FOR VICTORIA - Philip (Pip) Faure (1978).

He writes: 'I am busy getting the contact list updated. I will send this back to you so you can change your records when I have it completed. I am planning a get-together before the end of the year. It seems that most of the members are keen to meet up again after so many years. I will send you a report on this with some photos. I am working as a project manager for an engineering company that services the oil and gas industry. When not working I can be found running or cycling around Melbourne. In winter I referee club rugby which I find enormously rewarding.'

NEW BRANCH SECRETARY FOR QUEENSLAND – Stuart Rodney (1984).

He writes: 'After more than 12 years based in Hong

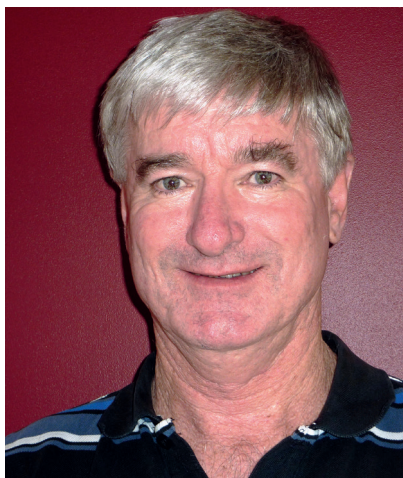


Kong working in *Supply Chain & Logistics*, I moved to Brisbane with my family in December 2012. My wife Gina is originally from a town called Chinchilla, a rural community in Queensland. Having spent many family holidays in Australia, we decided to move to Brisbane and settle there permanently. I am currently working as the Chief Operating Officer for the *Health Services Support Agency*, a division of Queensland Health.'

NEW BRANCH SECRETARY FOR NORTH ISLAND, NEW ZEALAND

– **Mike Currey (1975).**

He writes: 'We emigrated to Auckland in January 1997, and have remained here ever since. I have spent most of my time working for New Zealand's largest poultry firm, and have had various IT-related jobs. I am currently the IS Training Manager, so I am fortunate to do a fair bit of travelling around the country. Life over here is, in many respects, quite similar to the life we experienced growing up in Cape Town. Sport and recreation play a large role, and, surprising though it may sound, sailing is very high on everyone's list of interests. The recent defeat in the America's Cup, after leading 9 - 1, was extremely difficult to accept! My wife, Kathy, is the music specialist at one of the Auckland schools. Our two sons, having recently left school, are currently furthering their studies.'



The ODU extends their heartfelt thanks and gratitude to all our retiring secretaries in these regions, namely:

Lloyd Bowden (1995) in London; **Angus Emslie (1965)** in Hamilton, New Zealand; **Gavin Watson (1972)** in Melbourne; **Peter Birt (1958)** in Brisbane

NEW RHODES SCHOLAR

Many congratulations to **Nicholas Dowdall (2008)** who attended Bishops from 2004–2008 matriculating fourth in the grade and with seven distinctions. He is currently reading for his degree at UCT which includes three major subjects, viz., Economics, Psychology and



Spanish for which thus far he has achieved first class passes in the core areas of study. He has received a number of academic awards, including the University of Buenos Aires Scholarship for Spanish in 2009; the UCT Entrance Scholarship in 2010; the UCT Faculty Scholarship for 2011 and 2012; the Heritage Academic Exchange Scholarship from Boston College (MA., USA) in 2011; and the Dorris Crossley Foundation Scholarship in 2012 (UCT). He was also on the Dean's Merit list.

Thus far Nicholas's student career has seen him serve in various capacities, himself coming from a home with a strong social consciousness. He has served as a volunteer working at Valkenberg Mental Hospital (2011); as the Vice Chair of the UCT Habitat for Humanity Committee (2011 and 2012); as a Youth Peace Summit Facilitator for the Desmond Tutu Peace Foundation organising and leading group sessions and debates on climate change and diversity (2012); as Orientation Leader involved in running the programme for 500 foreign exchange students (2013); and as a delegate for the 'Brightest Young Minds Conference' (2013).

Nicholas's sporting career has been impressive. He was the South African Junior Karate Champion 2005-2007, representing South Africa in the World Championships in Cape Town in 2004 and in Tokyo in 2005. In 2005 he was awarded a Black Belt in Kyokushin Karate. He represented the Western Province Junior Tennis Squad from 2003 to 2005 and more lately, played for the UCT Tennis Club from 2010 to 2012. It has been not only at sport but also in the cultural areas Nicholas has thrived, for instance, singing in the Simply Blue a capella singing group which toured South America in 2008.

Nicholas aspires to go up to Oxford to follow the programme in Evidence Based Social Intervention (EBSI) and so get exposure to the ideas and problem-solving strategies of world-class academics. His intention is to be equipped to play a constructive role in the South African context, where in the future he sees himself working between the academic and research setting and NGOs. The MSc in EBSI will hopefully, for him, lead to a D.Phil. The area draws on a wide range of disciplines to include psychology, sociology, public health, education and political science for engagement in research, intervention and policy to solve social problems. Nicholas will be completing his honours degree in Psychology at UCT in 2014 as final preparation ahead of his proposed studies at Oxford.

Paul Murray, Secretary of the Diocesan College Rhodes Scholarship Selection Committee

THE BISHOPS CONNECTION

The following boys in Grade 12 and soon to matriculate, are descended from ODs:

Brink, Derek	is the son of Monty Brink	<i>1975</i>
	the nephew of Johan Brink	<i>1970</i>
	the nephew of Andrew Brink	<i>1973</i>
	the nephew of Rosemary Brink (post-matric)	<i>1981</i>
Corbett, Murray	is the son of Peter Corbett	<i>1975</i>
	the nephew of Andrew Corbett	<i>1975</i>
	the great-grandson of Alfred Luscombe	<i>1907</i>
	the great-nephew of Haldane Luscombe	<i>1944</i>
	the great-nephew of Ian Dichmont	<i>1937</i>
Cornelissen, Tristan	is the son of Heinrich Cornelissen	<i>1982</i>
Douglass, Ian	is the grandson of Tim Pare	<i>1941</i>
	the nephew of Philip Pare	<i>1975</i>
	the great-nephew of Peter Irvine Pare	<i>1933</i>
	the great-great grandson of Frank Molteno	<i>1879</i>
Du Toit, Neale	is the son of Paul du Toit	<i>1979</i>
	the grandson of Brian du Toit	<i>1954</i>
	the nephew of Michael du Toit	<i>1980</i>
	the great-nephew of André du Toit	<i>1956</i>
	the great-nephew of David Lombardi	<i>1958</i>
Elphick, Murray	is the grandson of Peter Worthington-Smith	<i>1948</i>
	the great-nephew of Humphrey Worthington-Smith	<i>1951</i>
Erlangsen, Greg	is the grandson of George Bryan Knox Pilkington	<i>1952</i>
	the great-grandson of George William Pilkington	<i>1921</i>
	the great-great-grandson of George William Pilkington	<i>1897</i>
Ferrandi, Paul	is the son of Robert Ferrandi	<i>1975</i>
	the grandson of John Ferrandi	<i>1948</i>
Herberstein, Max	is the great-nephew of Louis Ollemans	<i>1965</i>
Hewitson, Joshua	is the son of John Hewitson	<i>1971</i>
	the grandson of Rodney Hewitson	<i>1940</i>
	the nephew of Stephen Hewitson	<i>1974</i>
	the nephew of Bruce Hewitson	<i>1977</i>
Innes, Simon	is the son of John Innes	<i>1980</i>
	the grandson of Gerald Innes	<i>1950</i>
	the nephew of Anthony Innes	<i>1984</i>

Innes , Tim	is the grandson of Gerald Innes	<i>1950</i>
	the nephew of John Innes	<i>1980</i>
	the nephew of Anthony Innes	<i>1984</i>
Marine , Nicholas	is the grandson of Gerard Joseph Desmarais	<i>1948</i>
	the nephew of Robert Gerard Desmarais	<i>1975</i>
McGregor , Matthew	is the stepson of Paul Boehmke	<i>1971</i>
Miller , Remy	is the son of Russell Miller	<i>1988</i>
Miller , Stuart	is the son of Andrew Miller	<i>1956</i>
	the grandson of Peter Taylor	<i>1940</i>
Peel , Michael	is the son of Steve Peel	<i>1968</i>
	the nephew of Chris Peel	<i>1969</i>
	the nephew of John Moore	<i>1964</i>
Philip , James	is the grandson of John Melvin Philip	<i>1954</i>
	the great-grandson of Walter John Philip	<i>1922</i>
	the great-great-grandson of Christian John Truter	<i>1891</i>
Russell , Daniel	is the son of Andrew Russell	<i>1982</i>
	the nephew of Robert Russell	<i>1978</i>
	the nephew of David Russell	<i>1980</i>
van Ryneveld , Anthony	is the son of Michael van Ryneveld	<i>1976</i>
	the nephew of Peter van Ryneveld	<i>1973</i>
	the nephew of John van Ryneveld	<i>1975</i>
	the nephew of Andrew van Ryneveld	<i>1976</i>
	the grandson of Anthony (Tony) van Ryneveld	<i>1943</i>
	the great-nephew of Clive van Ryneveld	<i>1946</i>
	the grandson of Graham English	<i>1953</i>
	the great-nephew of Norman English	<i>1960</i>
	the great-great grandson of Anthony van Ryneveld	<i>1878</i>
	the great-great-great nephew of WM van Ryneveld	<i>1876</i>
Smith , Adam	is the son of Niall Smith	<i>1978</i>
	the grandson of Anthony (Tony) Smith	<i>1948</i>
Upshon , Alex	is the great-nephew of William (Bob) Schierhout	<i>1940</i>
	the great-great nephew of Basil Schierhout	<i>1915</i>
	the great-great-great nephew of The Rev Schierhout (staff)	<i>1875</i>
	the great-great-great nephew of Edward Schierhout	<i>1888</i>
Van , Adam	is the son of Heiko Van Wyngaarden	<i>1983</i>
Wray , Chris	is the nephew of Peter Colin Elkington Smith	<i>1972</i>

NEWS OF ODs



WESTERN CAPE

*The following tribute was written by **Robin Brown (1968)**, currently Adjunct Professor of Paediatric Surgery at the University of Cape Town and Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital on the occasion of **Alastair Millar's** retirement.*

ALASTAIR MILLAR: OFFICER AND GENTLEMAN

My first recollection of **Alastair Millar (1965)** was as a Standard Two schoolboy at DCPS watching him participate in the Heavyweight Boxing Championship main event, in front of hundreds of shouting schoolboys with all the entrapments of a boxing tournament: canvas ring, seconds with water and saw dust, a school master referee and hysterical 'house' crowd support. I think he won (Alastair, ever humble, says he lost), but little did I know that for a large part of my future I would be working with and under him, looking after small defenceless children a far cry indeed from heavyweight boxing. Boxing does not seem ideal training for Paediatric Surgery, but in Alastair's case possibly it turned him away from violence and towards the thought of caring for children who cannot fight back. A further sport - Fencing also demanded his attention after this, culminating in him being awarded his Springbok colours for fencing in 1973, reaffirming his status as someone out of the ordinary.

Having completed his housemanship at Victoria Hospital in Wynberg (where his son is presently an Intern, perpetuating the cycle), he travelled to the UK to undergo training in General Surgery. Having completed his training (F.R.C.S. England and Edinburgh) Professor Jannie Louw, Head of General Surgery at UCT, invited him back to train as a Paediatric Surgeon at Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital in 1980, which was to become his Paediatric Surgical home from then until the present time. He spent a Senior Registrar year at the Royal Melbourne Children's Hospital in Australia in 1983, a strong academic Paediatric Surgical Unit where his paediatric surgical field was expanded. He returned as a Consultant to Red Cross Hospital in 1984.

In 1990, pursuing his interest in Paediatric Liver Transplantation, he was Senior Clinical Transplant Fellow in Sir Roy Caine's Unit at Cambridge, enabling him to return and establish the first Paediatric Liver Transplant programme in Africa.

With the on-going experience and expertise in this specialised field, he was enticed from Cape Town to head the Surgical Division of Hepatopancreaticobiliary Surgery and Paediatric Transplantation at Birmingham Children's Hospital in England in 2004, where he was honoured by being appointed Honorary Professor of Paediatric Transplantation, only the fourth Professorial appointment in Paediatric Surgery in the UK at that time, (two of the other three also being held by ex-South Africans). But livers and Paediatric Surgery don't hold a candle to the same subject in Cape Town and the developing world, and in May 2007 he was appointed the third Charles F.M. Saint Professor of Paediatric Surgery at UCT and Red Cross Hospital. He has been head of Paediatric Surgery at UCT and Red Cross until he retires at the end of this year, 2012, a mandate

based on age instituted by the University. Whether you are ready for retirement or not makes no difference and Alastair is certainly at the top of his game at present with nothing to suspect that he cannot fully complete all the requirements of his demanding job, but performance ability and departmental dynamics play no role in the university decision making.

Alastair has a huge academic pedigree, having written numerous articles in peer review journals, chapters in authoritative text books and he has presented papers on various topics on all continents throughout the world as well as being an invited lecturer to America, Japan, Australia, Europe and Africa. He has espoused his views on Paediatric Surgery in developing countries, where children constitute 40% of the population and are usually neglected when it comes to financial allocations and health care needs. He has been a visiting surgeon, by special request of the resident surgeon and the sick child's family, in Italy and Australia, recognizing his innate surgical skill, which is particularly beneficial in these very difficult cases. To cement his ability to contribute to the promotion of Paediatric Surgery in developing countries, he is Assistant Secretary (Secretary Elect 2013) for the World Federation of Association of Paediatric Surgeons, the body involved in International Paediatric Surgical management. Alumni trained under him are spread widely throughout Africa and Europe, who have benefited from the Pathology and academic standards Alastair maintained at Red Cross.

10% of surgeons are technically inept, 80% improve over the years and remain competent and only 10% have innate surgical skill, rendering difficult manual surgical tasks easy. Alastair is one of the 10% with innate surgical skill with a simple yet meticulous methodical technique, which results in minimal surrounding tissue damage, effective excision of the offending organ, and a resultant healing clear operative field.

His skill may have started when as a training surgeon he spent hours tying knots in surgical sutures to any available protrusion at home taps, door knobs - that as a result gave him technical skill and a house draped with tied surgical sutures. Assisting at difficult operations was a major bonus to training surgeons, to learn surgical techniques in the shadow of a master at his craft.

If his surgery could be construed as being technically excellent, his quiet methodical ward rounds were similarly appreciated by the junior staff. His attention to academic Paediatric Surgical matters is reflected in the large academic output both of himself and his department and this led to the new Technical Skills Training Centre, established under his authority, at Red Cross Hospital. In addition to training local Paediatric Surgeons, he has also undertaken training of Paediatric Surgeons from the rest of Africa, encouraging them to write the Local College Paediatric Surgical exam during their stay and also to maintain links with their training body. With his International Connections he has linked the unit to strong academic units throughout the world particularly Europe and North America, with a positive spin-off for his staff.

Alastair's personality slots in with Paediatric Surgery, he does not have the hubris of a General Surgeon nor the need to be King of the Jungle, but rather to quietly assert himself using actions and surgical skill rather than words to prove his point.

His father was a journalist and writer, his mother, who wrote under the nom de plume Joy Collier was an author and artist, who illustrated her own books if necessary, writing on a diverse subject matter ranging from Akhenaten, the only monotheistic pharaoh of ancient Egypt, to the

wine route of Stellenbosch. Her painting of her son's loved Red Cross War Memorial Children's Hospital - complete with bright colours and vibrant patient activity - is the finest one ever painted of the hospital, and the original hangs in the boardroom of Red Cross with colour copies hanging on many walls throughout the world as it is used as a gift for foreign visitors. Alastair's youth was spent in Stellenbosch and Fish Hoek and both places retain fond memories for him.



Sue and Alastair Millar

Alastair's wife Sue has supported him throughout his surgical career, always encouraging him in his quest for more knowledge even if the acquisition of new skills meant travel to distant lands and the burden of bringing up a young family with limited domestic support. They have two sons, **James (1997)** (an Intern at Victoria Hospital), **Christopher (2000)** and a daughter Francesca. A strong family unit has contributed in no small way to enable Alastair to climb up the world ladder of Paediatric Surgery, culminating his promotion to his prestigious professional position at Birmingham.

This was one of the top jobs in his field in the United Kingdom, and therefore his decision no doubt supported by his family - to return as Professor of Paediatric Surgery at UCT and Red Cross in 2007 was greeted with great joy at Red Cross. Not many academics who have left for a top job overseas have returned in full flight. His CV attached to his application for the job, together with his surgical skill, put him in the top bracket of Paediatric Surgeons internationally and UCT was indeed fortunate that Cape Town and his theatre of training called him back. To confirm his position in the top echelon of his profession, he was awarded the prestigious Sir Denis Brown Gold Medal for outstanding service to Paediatric Surgery in 2011, the Ultimate accolade western Paediatric Surgery can bestow by the British Association of Paediatric Surgery on one of their esteemed colleagues. He is only the second South African to receive this award in 50 years, the first one being Professor Jannie Louw. This reflects brightly on his expertise and also on his training experience at Red Cross Hospital and UCT.

Red Cross children and their hospital owe Alastair a huge debt for the years he has devoted to them and his international quest to further his knowledge for their benefit. His Liver Transplant Unit, as an example, is a national resource and competes on equal terms with other units internationally and has been driven by him with his international training. He has maintained the legacy he inherited from his predecessors and has given his successor a baby to carry heavy with expectation and a past proud with achievement.

Jon Abbott (1951) has written in his usual style!

'It looks ominously as though I could qualify to be mentioned in dispatches as an OD octogenarian on 18 November 2013. No flowers please. Donations to the Piles Foundation gladly accepted.

'I've reached this milestone entirely due to a mental brilliance that was, through some inexplicable reason not reflected in my exam results when I was at school'.

Congratulations to **David Le Feuvre (1984)** who has recently been appointed as an Associate Professor of Nerosurgery at UCT/GrooteSchuur.



Simon Dunkley (1979) was a brilliant art student winning the Art Prize in his final year, so it is great to hear that he has now become one of the most famous puppet engineers in the world. He currently works freelance, but his designs are in great demand, this is especially so in London where the production of *'A Mid-Summers Night's Dream'* is showcasing his innovative skills to clamorous applause.

Simon worked for many years for the *Handspring Puppet Company* based in Muizenberg whose creative production team earned world-wide fame for the puppetry used in the theatre production of *'War Horse'*. The production team is the

group of people within the *Handspring Puppet Company* responsible for selecting, designing, writing, developing, producing and directing the work that they create. Simon became a legend during his time working for this company.



Be sure to read *'WHERE'S THE CHICKEN? John Cartwright's (1955)* thought provoking book about 'Making South Africa Safe.' It is a unique, interesting and potentially life-altering read. It is a book designed to spark creativity and sharpen the reader's role as a thinker and shaper. Its purpose is simply to inspire all of us to think more smartly about how we can create a safer society.



Following in Dad's footsteps, **Ian-Malcolm Rijdsijk (1991)** has recently won a Distinguished Teacher Award at UCT. Ian is the Director of the African Cinema Unit and Senior Lecturer at UCT. 'Learning cannot just be a treadmill of classes and assignments, punctuated by assessment criteria. Classes should be fun and work should be the product of curiosity and the classroom environment is the best place to try out ideas'. The wonderful old Science Block at Bishops with characters such as John Lightfoot, Hugo Leggett, Case Rijdsijk, would have certainly fitted into this description!

Congratulations to **François Kuttell (1985)**, CEO of *Oceana* recently named as the Fishing Industries 'Person of the Year'.

This is awarded to the person who has made an outstanding contribution to the international



fishing industry. François is 'richly deserving of this honour, given his long track record of turning around the fortunes of global fishing enterprises.

'François is one of those few CEOs around who knows fishing -- more than just being able to tell the back end of a boat from the front. He underwent a baptism of fire when he jumped into the family owned processing company in Alaska. "I knew only anecdotally about the fishing industry," Kuttel told *Fishing News International*, as his father had insisted on his studying accounting at the University of San Diego, at the time when the Kuttel family lived in the United States. "I left for Alaska -- for five years

-- the day after I graduated." François's passion for the fishing industry runs in the blood -- his father had given up a career as a lawyer in South Africa to start fishing in a wooden boat in 1962, eventually making his company *Atlantic Fishing* the third largest fishing enterprise in South Africa by the mid-1980s. "He was the true pioneer," Kuttel told *Fishing News International*.

'The interest *Oceana* generates -- with the market capex of more than a billion US dollars -- is a primary reason for this unique award going to François this year. There is, however, another reason. 'Post-apartheid South Africa witnessed a radical haul in its socio-economic structure, which left no business untouched. The fishing industry too, saw a dramatic change; only 1% of fishing rights were with black people in 1994, the percentage has now jumped to 60%. "The fishing industry has outperformed others in the degree and pace at which it has transformed," François told *Fishing News International*. *Oceana* has emerged as South Africa's largest fishing enterprise because it has moved with the times and capitalised on new opportunities rather than rue the past.

'Little wonder that a man of François's mettle fits right in such a forward-looking company'.

Blake Gowar (2005) has put his entrepreneurial thinking hat on and has come up with his very own wine tour based in Constantia.

'Constantia's vineyards established in 1685 on the rear slopes of Table Mountain are the first and most historic outside of Europe. The Constantia Wine Tour offers wine-tasting visits to iconic, centuries-old wine estates as well as the newer boutique wineries established in more recent years. Enjoy the unique experience of accessing the highest mountain vineyards by four-wheel drive vehicles for breathtaking views across the Cape Peninsula. The Constantia Wine Tour is the first and most exclusive full day tour of The Constantia Valley, Cape Town's Vineyard. Guests have described it as one of the most exclusive and intimate experiences that Cape Town has to offer'.

www.theconstantiawinetour.co.za

Peter Penny (1953) has written to the ODU.

'On Nicholas's death I brought to Luanda what I could locate of his collection in various parts of Africa.

These crates were then flown from Luanda to Lisbon, because there was hostility between Angola and South Africa, and from Lisbon to Cape Town. There were about 1,500 works of art and artefacts. Our family entered into a loan agreement with the South African Museum. After 20 years this loan has now expired and portions of the collection were recently auctioned.

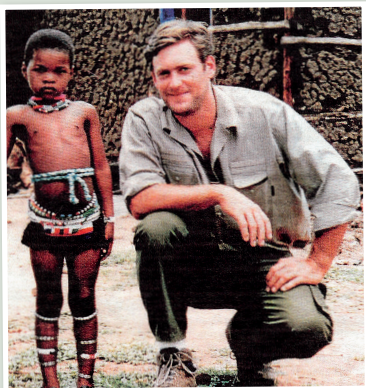
‘The Zulu collection, also of about 1500 items, with which Nicholas filled the fine (then new and empty) museum building at the traditional Royal Kraal near Ulundi was meticulously catalogued by him during his lifetime and is permanently in the possession of the Zulu Museum. The collection that has been on loan to the South African Museum is therefore completely separate from that in Kwazulu and was not catalogued. Annabel, one of Nicholas’s three sisters, has worked for numerous months with the generous help and advice of several experts in African Art to produce the best catalogue that was possible without Nicholas’s own input. The resulting document has been printed to a high standard and is available from *Stephen Welz & Co.* Please read the article below from the *Mail and Guardian* for wider discussion of an aspect of Nicholas’s diverse life. I believe he would regard his preservation of an art form he treasured as his greatest accomplishment.’

THE COLLECTION OF A YOUNG MAN WHO COURTED DANGER ACROSS THE CONTINENT

In May 1992, **Nicholas Penny**, aged 30, an adventurous young African art collector, disappeared after bad weather set in while he was river-rafting on the Wit Els River in the Western Cape. His body has never been found.

A Rhodes scholar, Penny studied economics at Oxford University, and completed his MBA as a Fulbright scholar at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He would later join *Solomon Brothers* on Wall Street. His passion, however, was collecting African art, a pursuit he turned himself to full-time in 1990, building up a substantial collection. He went alone, undertaking expeditions to Zimbabwe and Zambia, travelling through war-torn Angola and traversing the then Zaire - now the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) - when the country ‘blew up’ in civil war in 1991. As provenance is a vital part of such collecting, it is significant that Penny purchased directly from the sources themselves. His sister, Annabel Horn, says Penny’s love for African art stemmed from their childhood growing up on a farm near Bethlehem in the Free State with the Basotho people. “The people were very skilled. They made lovely mats and pots, and decorated their houses beautifully.” He moved to KwaZulu in 1984 and at once set about collecting Zulu art with King Goodwill Zwelithini’s blessing and established the KwaZulu Cultural Museum in Ondini, the restored royal residence of King Cetshwayo.

“He would drive out into rural areas and live with the people, sleeping on mats in their homes ... Not many white people would do that in those days,” Horn points out. “He felt he had a lot to learn from them.” Penny collected in areas few white men dared to enter. There are references in his diaries to the bloody civil conflict escalating at that time - “we passed a burial of 19 men killed in fighting between Bathenba families”. His diaries and letters, peppered with Zulu terms, reveal a methodical observer, quite devoid of any judgmental or colonising tone. He chastises white intransigence and condemns the “horrific” racial exploitation he comes across - a boy working 12 hours a day as a cotton picker for 50 cents a day. He built his



collection at considerable personal risk. In the DRC he stayed in mission stations in primitive conditions, walking in the jungle for days on end. In Angola, he was twice jailed for no good reason. After his disappearance, Penny's collection went on 20-year loan to the Iziko South African Museum, where it was well preserved but hardly exhibited. A congeries of African artefacts, it includes many masks, wooden headrests, heavy bronze currency anklets, Pygmy bark cloths, fetish figures, ceremonial staffs and copper currency crosses. From Zululand there are beaded waistbands, aprons, neckpieces, chokers, anklets, bandoliers and collars, as well as decorative,

earplugs, woven baskets, shields and clubs.

It is a pity to see the collection broken up by auction. The family contacted every museum they know. "We would like the South African pieces to stay [here]," she says, "but our museums seem to have no acquisition budget for preserving our country's heritage. "The family has retained the Xhosa beadwork and Ndebele collection. Wits University, which has invested substantially in African art, has shown interest in the Zulu collection and there is some hope in that direction.

DIGITAL SUPERSTAR – FINANCIAL MAIL.

Today, *Bluegrass Digital's* client list reads like a who's who of big business, spanning the likes of *SA Breweries, Lego, Old Mutual, Honda, CNBC* and *Shell*.

It is a far cry from 17 years ago, when the firm's cofounder, **Nick Durrant (1992)** was first confronted by the then new world of website development. As a university student he had dabbled in IT. But it was never meant to be more than that. The change came in 1996 when, recently



graduated, Nick moved to London and was swept up by the dot-com boom engulfing the US and Europe. The dot-com boom brought the Internet to life, and Nick saw the potential in outsourcing website development work to Cape Town, where his brother **Paul (1993)** had started a software development firm. Initially, *Bluegrass Digital* picked up lower-budget work from UK advertising agencies, but as confidence

in the firm's ability grew, so did its client base, to include global agencies such as *Saatchi & Saatchi* and *JWT*. 'We are an agency for agencies and we work with agencies across the world as their creative technology partner.' More recently, demand for *Bluegrass Digital's* services in SA has also taken off. Nick returned to Cape Town in 2010 in response to growing local demand. 'SA now accounts for 30% of our revenue.' The big growth story in SA is smartphone digital apps and Nick

says that SA's poor Internet access has forced it to become the world leader in the mobile space. Not content with the success of *Bluegrass*, Nick and Paul have added print media. Through *Blue Sky Publications* they publish three tabloids in the UK aimed at expatriates, including *The South African* with a circulation of 25000.

Nick is our IT specialist on the OD Committee and whilst in London was the ODU Secretary for the UK. - ed

ODU Vice-President **Raymond Ackerman (1948)** has recently established two Academies. *The Raymond Ackerman Academy of Entrepreneurial Development* was established in January 2005 and the *Raymond Ackerman Golf Academy* in 2007. There is no one in South Africa more qualified to establish an academy for entrepreneurs and many ODs will know that Raymond is a 'golf fanatic'. Rumour has it that he is very close to 'breaking his own age' on the golf course. This is feat as rare as an albatross and we wait in anticipation for further news!

His *Entrepreneurial Academy* offers youth, with financial or socio-economic challenges, a chance to develop themselves and to make a difference to not only their own future, but also the future of their communities. The Academy offers a six-month, full time programme that is run twice a year: from January to June and from July to December. The programme is offered in Cape Town at the UCT Graduate School of Business and at the Soweto Campus of the University of Johannesburg (opened in 2009). 30 students are chosen for the Cape Town course and 60 students for the Soweto course.



The Raymond Ackerman Golf Academy (RAGA) founded in 2007 is a unique and holistic youth development programme based at Clovelly Country Club in Cape Town. Initially in 2003 the program was formed as a golf only development programme designed to take golf to the less fortunate. However upon recognizing the need for all important life skill and academic support, the programme was restructured around the three core pillars of Education, Life Skills and Golf. RAGA invites talented and deserving teenagers from disadvantage communities to join the Academy and through their own hard work and determination assists in ensuring they achieve the very best they can, in all aspects of their lives.

RAGA offers after-school academic tuition and a wide range of life skills activities and organizes various activities to ensure that all members of the academy are exposed to life changing opportunities. But what makes this programme special is that they teach golf to all students and Raymond is proud of the fact this this year their team came joint first in the South B School's League. The vast majority are absolute beginners at the sport and have had no exposure to golf. The learning and playing of golf teaches the students many invaluable life skills, such as concentration, self-discipline, competitiveness, the value of hard work, communication skills, etiquette and personal presentation.

Research over the past ten years has shown that the impact of this programme is endless and that the students are more confident, able to excel at academics and able to find employment. All of them still enjoy and participate in golf and are members of clubs.



Sean Amor (1979) recently featured on *National Geographic* in a series called *King Fishers*. This popular programme introduces viewers to competitive fishing across the globe with each episode pitting three angling experts against each other in their home waters. Sean, the owner of the charter fishing company *Hooked on Africa* has been fishing for more

than 35 years and was delighted to be asked to take part in the contest. The contest took him to fishing grounds in Ireland and England but he found that they tended to specialise in ‘finesse’ fishing while he leans towards big game fishing. The fish that they caught in the UK were ‘smaller than the bait that I use over here!’

Sean says that as a destination Cape Town has some of the finest game fishing in the world, provided that you know when the best time is to hit the water. October and November and April and May for tuna while the rest of the year is better suited to yellowtail and snoek.

See www.hookedonAfrica.co.za or channel 181 on DSTV.



Ian Michler (1977) is a top specialist wilderness guide, photojournalist and naturalist, and has lived and worked across Africa for the last 22 years. His feature articles, diaries and blogs documenting the major conservation challenges facing Africa are well known to readers of the award winning magazines, *Africa Geographic* and *Africa Birds and Birding*. He is also the author of seven natural history and travel books on various African countries,

does ecotourism consultancy work for both the private and government sectors, and has worked as a researcher and field coordinator on various natural history television documentaries for international broadcasters.



One of his most recent articles is entitled: ‘*Soon we could live in a world that has only the Big Three.*’

Ian is convinced that the Southern African elephant herds will be the next target for organised poaching on a massive scale. Central Africa is reported to have lost 62% of its elephants since 2002. The carnage has also spread to East Africa where Tanzania’s elephant population is now below 40 000 down from the 140 000 in the 2004 survey. Regrettable press reports from

Namibia, Botswana and Zambia tell of rising poaching levels. The demand for ivory in China is rising steeply where the price is now above \$2 000/kg way up from the official \$157/kg paid at the 2008 auction. Ian believes that it is high time that Africa lets China know that its behaviour is unacceptable and that elephants are not for sale.

We strongly recommend that you google Ian Michler and read what one of the world's most renowned wildlife and wilderness specialists has to say on a wide diversity of subjects. As this is being written we have just heard that 300 elephants have just been poisoned in Hwange Game Reserve in Zimbabwe. What kind of world are we living in? Environmentalists such as Ian Michler deserve all our support. –ed

Alexander Daniel (2000) has been in touch with a recent update on what he has been doing. 'In 2011 I set up a social development program that looked to address poverty through enterprise. Coming from an upbringing in textile and weaving, (fondest memories of fighting my older brothers Max and Nic (school house) on bales of wool with warping sticks fashioned into swords)' I used this as a platform to create *Genadendal Hand Weavers*. The programme was not an easy application for this Overberg community as I was confronted by first world rules and regulations in an impoverished community with little or no hope to speak of. Banks and lending institutions reviewed my model with scepticism. Through very gracious angel financiers and our Family Trust we were able to start teaching women the skills to become a master weaver. The skills transfer is not only accredited as a course in hand weaving, but it is expanded to give a holistic basis to entrepreneurship and life management. The change in the people we have taught has been phenomenal.

'Now based in Greyton and selling through *The Kraal Gallery* (our family weaving business), with a shop in Stellenbosch and one on the N2 at Firlands (between Somerset West and Sir Lowry's Pass), the project has grown from strength to strength. Government has assisted where it could and our applications to the DTI (department of Trade and Industry) and The Department of Economic Development have been successful in getting us to access foreign markets. Essentially we are making export quality rugs, tapestries, baskets, deckchairs and other items. *Genadendal Hand Weavers* uses cotton off-cuts (t-shirt material) from the textile industry to weave bright, colourful rugs that are not only washable but also completely carbon neutral. We also work in thick, chunky Karakul sheep wool and Merino wool.



Helen Zille, Alex Daniel & Alan Winde

'We have recently attended trade shows in Milan, Germany, Chicago and the UK. Our project relies, at this moment, on our customers but our vision is to expand this model to create 250 micro entrepreneurs in Genadendal – women with a new lease on life and hope in their step. We currently have over 50 ladies designing and weaving. The picture shows the Premiers Entrepreneurship Recognition Awards 2013 in which Genadendal Hand Weavers (the Social Development Arm of The Kraal Gallery) took 1st Prize, winning the Social Enterprise Award.

'I would like to urge all ODs to look at what they can do to change the problem we have in this country. Inequality is rife. Drive into town from the airport and look left. Shack, squalor, emptiness in human collateral. Futures we create.'

Congratulations to *De Grendel*, which was a top performer at the 2013 *Veritas* Wine Awards. Double gold medals were awarded to the Koetshuis Sauvignon Blanc 2013, Shiraz 2011 and Merlot 2010. In garnering three of the only 68 double gold medals awarded, *De Grendel* was ranked among the four top achievers at the show. *De Grendel*'s top honours were also one of only three, six and eight double golds awarded in the Merlot, Shiraz and Sauvignon Blanc varietal categories respectively.

De Villiers Graaff (1988) was particularly pleased with the recognition given to the latest vintage of the Koetshuis Sauvignon Blanc. It's made in smaller quantities (fewer than 2 000 cases) than the farm's regular Sauvignon (about 10 000 cases). The style is also more restrained: classic, minerally, distinguished by asparagus and gooseberry aromas and flavours and promising longevity in the bottle compared with its immediately accessible, typically tropical, fruit-salad style stablemate.

De Grendel subscribes to a Denver, Colorado-based satellite service. The satellite, which circumnavigates the globe in seven-day cycles, provides infra-red aerial mapping of the designated sauvignon blanc vineyards during three days in late January, a key period in the ripening season. By zooming in on chlorophyll levels in individual vines, the team is able to analyse growth patterns based on varying soil types and conditions. Vines are flagged according to their different stages of producing physiologically ripe fruit, which is then harvested depending on required flavour compounds!

All their wines are available from *De Grendel*'s stylish tasting room and restaurant with picture-postcard views across the vineyards to Table Mountain and Table Bay.



GAUTENG

Craig Stacey (1945) has kindly sent greetings to the ODU.

'In June last year we were approached by an Estate Agent, with whom we had had dealings previously, about selling our house in River Club. Thinking that this was just another casual enquiry we were very surprised at the offer and agreed that the interested family could come and have a look around. The offer that was made was almost too good to be true so we decided to accept it. The Agent said she was sure she could improve it. The result – an offer we simply could not refuse in the current market. We were given three months in which to pack up more than thirty very happy years. Thank goodness our three younger families are all nearby and were able to assist us with the mammoth task of clearing up 32 years of accumulation. We visited several different Retirement Villages and ultimately settled on the *Evergreen Group*, a Cape-based organisation which was setting up in Johannesburg. We had received favourable reports from friends in Cape Town. The bookings were quite heavy and we were only able to move in the second half of 2013. During the intervening period we were able to occupy the upstairs flat in our son Anthony's delightful home, an ideal solution. We finally gained occupation on my 86th birthday and have been very pleased with the helpful and friendly atmosphere of the staff and the other residents. We are battling to down-size but will get there in the long run.

'We are looking forward to our Diamond wedding on 8 January next and to many more happy years with our families and friends. As an Old Boy of 'Wet Pups' it is just possible we may be down in Cape Town to take part in some of the festivities related to the School's Centenary.'



UNITED KINGDOM

Oxford: Vice President **Tony van Ryneveld (1943)** has written to say that he has just attended a Rhodes Scholar's reunion:

'Lil and I have been to Oxford for the 110th year anniversary reunion of Rhodes scholars. It was an interesting experience of workshops and functions, with a goodly mixture of discussions about the future of the scheme – such as possibly extending it to cover additional countries such as China – and reminiscences about the past.

'There were over 500 Rhodes scholars attending – accompanied by wives in many cases. It was all well organised. As happens quite frequently these days, I found myself the oldest by three lengths – at least by arrival year in Oxford. I went up in 1946; on my heels were two from 1949, and the rest from 1951 or later! Bishops was represented by myself, **Julian Ogilvie-Thompson (1953)**, **Chris Winearls (1973)**, **Rory Millson (1974)**, **Stephen Hofmeyer (1978)**, **Robert Wilkinson (1993)**, **Thomas Brennan (2004)**, **Derrick Betts (2006)**, and **John Hodges (2011)**. There may have been others from Bishops who were awarded scholarships from constituencies other than Diocesan College.

'After the Rhodes meetings, I stayed for another couple of days for Trinity College functions, remembering too my short overlap at Trinity with my great friend **Nelles Vintcent** who went up as Bishops Rhodes scholar in 1948 – sadly now deceased. There was also an overlap then with my brother, **Clive**, who went up in 1947, to University College.

'For those who do not know the history, Rhodes selected Bishops to test his great scheme, and **Frank Reid** and **Farquar Yeoman** were chosen and approved by Rhodes in 1902 before he died - and so before the scheme in terms of the Will came into effect'.



FRANCE

In search of OD activity Tim and Carolyn Hamilton-Smith recently visited Provence. 'Regrettably we missed our French secretary in Menerbes, but **Simon Burrow (1968)** had provided us with a veritable guidebook for the local area. It successfully led us to numerous off the tourist route restaurants and wine estates! We can now confidently claim that this region lying astride the



Gourdes

Luberon River between Avignon and Apt has to be one of the most beautiful and fascinating regions in Europe. The numerous perched villages such as Gault, Roussillon, Sault, Gourdes, and Menerbes are picture perfect and the various markets are not to be missed. A trip to the Med, a swim and excellent lunch at Cassis, provided yet another classic experience. The only problem we encountered were the numerous cyclist all of whom were making their way to Mount



Pont Julien

Ventoux. The narrow roads lined with olive trees, vineyards and fynbos and occasionally forest added to the stress of driving on the wrong side of the road! The late September weather was perfect and the only storm took place during the night to leave us the following day with a clear and refreshed blue sky. The really outstanding rosé available everywhere in huge boxes only added to our enjoyment!

We advise you to book your holiday with Simon as soon as possible!



AUSTRALIA

Gareth Davies (1998) *has been in touch with the ODU.*

'I am based in Brisbane Australia and attended Bishops for ten years. My son James Edward Davies is enrolled for 2016. News abroad, I am currently a Private Wealth Adviser for *Elston Partners* Brisbane. I have applied for and should be granted membership to *Rotary* Brisbane. Things are going extremely well and I am flying to Sydney in November to see **Dale Jackson (1998)**, **Dale Ellis (1998)**, **Arnold Wellens (1998)** and **Dan Vickerman (1996)**. I will take a few pictures and send them through to you'.

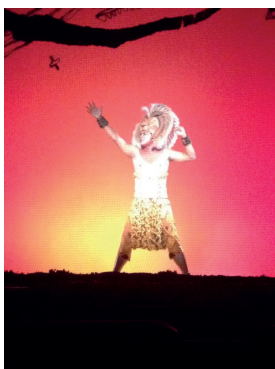
Peter Birt (1958) our man in Queensland has sent us the following report:

'Attached are two photos of an OD lunch that I organised on Sunday 18 August at a great restaurant called *Gusto da Gianni* on the Brisbane River. Including wives we were 16 and a warm atmosphere prevailed as we shared anecdotes about our happy times at Bishops. A subtle South African accent prevailed around the table. The ODs and their wives seemed to thoroughly enjoy their time spent together. Some news items gleaned from those present are; **Les Cook (1978)** and wife Glynis have started a new line in their food business making take away meals which can be ordered on line. Les advises that it is working well and that **Graeme Swanson (1970)** is one of his best customers! Graeme is renovating houses and his wife Di has unfortunately broken her leg, we were pleased to see her at the lunch, and is on a break from her teaching. I was pleased that **Robert Francis (1956)** and his wife Avon could attend. Robert has not been well but we managed to share a good drop of red together. **Dick Morris (1944)** and his wife Shirley made the trip up from the Gold Coast. Dick was his usual enthusiastic ebullient self and is always a great supporter of any OD function. **Robin Cox (1972)** and his wife Jane advised that they were happily settled in Brisbane and Robin is hoping to sign off on a five year contract with his school. We were pleased to meet **Jay Midgley (1979)** and his wife Natalie, who have been here for five years and are settling in well. Jay has a business in the technical side of dentistry making crowns and bridges etc. They live in a lovely part of the sunshine coast called *Twin Waters* which is right on the beach. **Stuart Rodney (1984)** and his wife Gina were welcomed. They have very recently settled in Brisbane. Gina is an Aussie and is pleased to be home after ten years in Hong Kong. The excellent news is the Stuart has

agreed to take over as Queensland OD secretary from me. I gather that Tim know him well. I am sure that Stuart will bring youthful energy to the secretariat. Jennie and I are well and are enjoying our Bridge and Golf. For me it has been a year of relinquishing various voluntary positions and letting the next generation take over.'



In the photo of the ODs the names from left to right are; Front row: **Dick Morris, Graeme Swanson, Robin Cox, Leslie Cook, Jay Midgley and Robert Francis.** Top row: **Peter Birt and Stuart Rodney.**



GERMANY

From: **Will Esau (2005)**

Last night I premiered as *Simba* in Hamburg Germany!

Well done Will! —ed



SCOTLAND

Maj Ian Gordon (1945) and his wife Avril hosted an excellent ODU (Scotland) lunch, entertaining **Peter McMorland (1964),**

Joe Carson (1987) and **Robert Murray (1969).** In the past Ian has always had to send regrets for OD get-togethers, so this year we decided that we would take the meeting to him in bonnie Galloway. A small gathering, but the three guests drove a combined total of 580 miles round trip to be there. Ian and Robert had never met, but found that their families had briefly been near neighbours on Elgin apple farms. Ian's father sold his farm to the **Corders**, also part of the Bishops family, many years ago. The day before the lunch, Robert was contacted by **Ian Nicholson (1945)**, a contemporary and old friend of Ian's, on holiday from Canada and visiting friends in the Scottish Borders. Unfortunately he could not join us on the day, but met Robert

briefly in Melrose the evening before.

End of report!

PS We had lunch in the local pub, and Ian insisted on paying for the whole lunch himself, and asked that the rest of us should put together the price of our meal and send it as a donation to the ODU.



The photo shows (from L to R) **Robert Murray, Avril Gordon, Ian Gordon, Peter McMorland, and Joe Carson.**



CANADA

We were delighted to hear from **Ted Allen (1947)**, who is living in Vancouver. He wrote to us on the occasion of his 84th birthday.

'I was delighted to receive birthday greetings from the ODU. I was grateful to receive the lovely card depicting the Haddon Memorial Gates and the reviving avenue. I was present when Archbishop Derbyshire blessed the gates and Hubert Kidd gave a short address in recognition of the OD sacrifices in the war and the motto on the gates '*in limine*' (on the threshold). I recall the violent blowdown (30 Jan 1943) which took away the tall, dense, mature stone pines along the avenue. This gave many boys the difficult job of clearing the huge stumps. The clatter of the pines at night made an unusual lullaby for those in the dormitories and inspired me to write a poor poem while waiting for attention at the san!

'I greatly value the lists of those who have reached considerable longevity, which are recorded in the OD section of the magazine. This has allowed me to locate the addresses of several old friends.

'Unfortunately my health has put an end to my visits to the school but I am still able to meet with our British Columbia ODs at the annual meeting where I am close to becoming the oldest member.

'My heartfelt greetings and thanks go to you for your valued contribution and best wishes go also to the school'.

Ted is the Clinical Professor of Medicine Emeritus at the University of British Columbia.

SPORT

Gentlemen, embarrassed as I am to gain honourable mention for something I did not start, I send this to you for this reason: I want you to know that Bishops still stands tall in the eyes of those who really know the game and love it for its true worth and not merely because the winning side won.

Basil Bey

WHAT IS 'RUNNING RUGBY'?

August 26, 2013. Which has been the most consistently successful rugby playing nation in history? Unlike with many sporting codes from around the world this question is relatively easy to answer, New Zealand. Subsequently one might ask, 'in what manner or spirit do the New Zealand All Blacks go about winning these matches in general? The answer to this question is also easy. More often than not in an expressive magnificent fashion where entertainment is essential. Therefore, although there have been generations from other countries (or combinations of countries like the 1974 Lions) who have intervened and taken some of the limelight, it has been the New Zealanders who have been the most dominant when it comes to 'running rugby'. There are two issues (influenced heavily by being based in Australia) which I would like to investigate further. Firstly, why does the 'Union' community continually use the term, 'running rugby' as if it originated in Australia and has some kind of spiritual home here? The Australian Wallabies have only been tagged as the best side on the planet during one era – between 1999 and 2001 (they did win the '91 WC but the truth is that apart from New Zealand and Australia very few people would call that the ultimate competition when one of the top three nations was not involved).

I understand that during the 1980's Bob Dwyer unearthed a flat attacking style based on his mentor Cyril Towers at the Randwick Rugby Club in Coogee, Sydney (personally I have always been fascinated by this era). This concept of having your backline standing extremely close to the imaginary advantage line was revolutionary and in many ways these principles of attacking defenders, fixing a target and then trusting highly skilled catch/pass techniques of players like the Ella brothers have become non-negotiable in today's game. Dwyer explains how these tactics evolved in his book, *Winning Ways*. However, it is completely romantic to think that Dwyer's tactics, linked with a generation of outstanding Wallabies at the time (Randwick was a Wallaby factory for years), has any right to patent the term 'running rugby' nor do the Wallabies have any weight (especially in the front row!) behind the theory that this is the spiritual homeland for attacking rugby.

Fifteen thousand kilometres across the Indian Ocean at Campground Road, Rondebosch in Cape Town lies Diocesan College Bishops. Neatly nestled under the shadow of Table Mountain sits the Piley Rees field where for more than a century schoolboys have run diamond shaped support lines, off loaded in tackles and attacked defenders only to subtly slip an early pass to the next player moving at speed. The doyen of Bishops rugby was a coach by the name of Basil Bey. He realised

that the Bishops boys were generally less physically developed than their Afrikaans contemporaries and subsequently designed a style of rugby which will forever live within the context of the rugby landscape. Like Dwyer and Towers, Bishops have their own unique attitude to the 'running game'. Diocesan College base their philosophy (which is also developed through hours of playing one-touch rugby on all of the fields around their stunning campus) on the concept that no player is limited to the number on their back. This is heralded in that Bishops has never played with jersey numbers preferring each and every individual to develop a skill set which promotes catch/pass, offloading in the tackle and identifying space. Unfortunately for Bishops and the general South African rugby public, this cultural approach has seldom been replicated at any level (credit to the current crop of Cheetahs for giving it a shot and the Natal sides under Ian Macintosh in the 1990's along with Harry Viljoen's Western Province Currie Cup side in 1997).

This brings me to my final observations. Firstly, no single team, nation or culture can claim to have ownership of the 'running game.' Please can someone tell Ewen Mackenzie to stop insinuating that because he played at Randwick and because the Reds scored a couple of 'coast to coast' tries between 2010 and 2013 under his tutelage that they, or any other side with which he is involved, are predisposed to be champions of the 'running game'. The truth is that it is the All Blacks who play in a style which is the closest you will ever get to this type of rugby whilst ensuring that they consistently win at test match level. This indicates their immense aptitude for and application of the running game.

Lastly, as rugby matures (the sport is still young professionally) this ridiculous quest from the A.R.U. and their coaches to create a brand which entertains the community, attracts new players to the game and wins is an impossible task for a sport that is limited to two tiny Greater Public (as in private) Schools (G.P.S.) competitions in Queensland and New South Wales. Jake White (being South African myself makes this difficult for me to comment on without the expected backlash) has developed a culture and strategy at the Brumbies which will ensure a sustainable success rate in Super Rugby given the win at all costs attitude of professional sports. Australian rugby needs an overhaul and mental shift towards practicality rather than a sentimental desire to play a romantic brand that is not sustainable (the Reds are a prime example). This ridiculous concept that foreign coaches (talk about generalisations) are not able to galvanise a team of Australians (many of whom were born overseas) is ludicrous and has not changed since the notion of 'true blue' leadership commenced decades ago. The honest truth is that no one can handle the current players and their egos!

We must never forget that this game was born in schools and designed for educational purposes. The British expansion of the sport to all of their colonies was never expected to become a multimillion dollar industry where winning was to become everything. Maybe the classic 'running game' will forever be limited to those on the fields of Bishops and Randwick (not sure the Galloping Greens are the force they once were!) or the touch fields of boarding schools across the globe. Whatever the case, the New Zealand All Blacks are still the best side to watch at the moment. Nobody has demonstrated the ability to beat them at what has become their running-of-the-game.

James Thorpe – IRANZ Advanced Coach

CYCLING

AN APPEAL FROM RUSSELL DRURY – I/C CYCLING AT BISHOPS

Much time has passed since Meurant Botha (top trail designer and AMA rider convener) and I first conceptualized the idea of having a proper MTB track installed at Bishops. The plans have been approved and construction of the track has finally begun. Photos are available on the Bishops cycling blog at <http://sport.bishops.org.za/cycling>

Meurant plans to build a track worthy of proper league races and our plan is to get the Southern Suburbs schools competing regularly, thus growing the sport. AMA rider is providing all of the expertise, labour and tools to do the building for free, but we do need material in the form of laterite or sub-base to shape the berms, prevent erosion and add to the aesthetic value of the track. I would like to appeal to you in this regard. We need 5 x 10 cubic meter truck loads to get the course finished off properly. I am hoping that someone may have a contact in the building industry who would be willing to donate a truck load (or more ☺) to this worthy cause. Even a half load would be appreciated. Companies like *Afrimat* and *Malans* apparently carry such stock.

Please let me know if you can help or have a contact with whom I can get in touch.
Latest: Sufficient laterite has already been donated!

GOLF DEVELOPMENT

Last year the OD team won the Inter-Schools Old Boys Golf Tournament known as the *Frames Trophy*. Imagine **Rob Starkey (1960)**, **Murray Kuiper (2002)**, and **Warren Kelly's (2003)** surprise when they were handed a voucher from the *Pro Shop* to the value of R28 000! At the prize giving the OD team made it quite clear that this money would be spent on the development of golf for under-privileged youngsters.



Fortunately the *Pro Shop* manager, Stuart Casterling is a Bishops parent and has played a major role in assisting the development of golf at both the Prep and the College. Stuart writes:

‘Bishops golf has also looked at being part of a development program for underprivileged children. Thanks to financial assistance from the OD Union (after an OD golf team won the Frames Trophy), a pilot project with local school, Claremont High School has been launched.

‘The retail store is located on a driving range which offers a first class practice facility as well as leading golf professionals on hand for expert coaching. Making use of the various facilities at the venue, a comprehensive golf development program is underway for four budding pros at Claremont High School. The initial input has been the supplying of four sets of golf clubs and bags for these aspirant golfers. These were handed to the boys in June 2013. March 2014 will see the

roll-out of a development program which goes beyond equipment. The school golf development is very thankful to the OD union and the winners of the Frames Trophy who have so selflessly donated these funds to help the development of this exciting sport'.

THE OLD QUAD GOLF CHALLENGE



Dick Cheeseman, Chris Hanley, Gary & Matthew Price (SACS)

The annual competition for the Old Quad Golf Shield, between Old Boys of Rondebosch, SACS, Wynberg and Bishops, took place at Westlake Golf Club on Friday 25 October. As was the case last year, the winners, by a wide margin of 28 points, were Wynberg, with Rondebosch, Bishops and SACS following within 10 points of each other.

The best performing of the twelve Bishops pairs were:

Koos Jonker (1959) and Geoff Hacking (1975)	47
<i>(Joint best of the whole field, but won 2nd prize after a count-out)</i>	
Dick Cheeseman (1975) and Chris Hanley (1975)	43
Nick Price (1982) and Douglas McFadyen (1986)	41
Brian Lefson (1954) and Rob Cheetham (1965)	39
Bruce Risien (1965) and W.P. van Zyl (1997)	39
Len (1985) and Rob Worthington-Smith (1978)	38

Once again our grateful thanks go to Westlake Golf Club for the use of their fine course and for much help with the organisation, to our generous main sponsors, *Auric Auto*, and to the many prize donors, most notable among them being *Ramsay Media*, *Hamilton Russell Vineyards* and a number of other OD wine farmers.



Rob & Len Worthington-Smith, Grant Hugo & Stuart Macon (SACS)

Brian de Kock (1953)

NB The 32nd match for the Walker Cup, between ODs and Rondebosch Old Boys, will take place at the Royal Cape Golf Club on SUNDAY 2 MARCH 2014. Those wishing to play should contact:

Brian de Kock (bdekock@iafrica.com).

OD ROWING.

Samuel Wells, Bishops Director of Rowing and Head Coach has very kindly sent us this report: 'Two brothers, **Robert Johnston (2010)** and **James Johnston (2012)** both raced at the 2013 Henley Royal Regatta (3-7 July) representing Leander Club in two different boats in the *Prince of Wales Challenge Cup* event for Intermediate Men's Quadruple Sculls.

For Robert this was his third participation at Henley having previously rowed in 2011 for Leander's Junior Men's Quadruple Sculls in the *Fawley Challenge Cup*, and in 2012 for the Reading University VIII in the *Temple Challenge Cup*. This year he stroked the Leander Club 'B' boat which was unbeaten in its respective class (IM1) until Henley, where it was knocked out early by a Californian crew. Robert is combining his BSc studies with rowing for Reading University in the new season 2013/14.

James competed for South Africa in the Junior Men's Single Scull at both the 2011 Junior World Rowing Championships at Eton, UK, and at the 2012 Championships in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. After matriculating he joined Leander Club, Henley, and was selected for the Leander Club 'A' boat which remained unbeaten all season. The *Prince of Wales* event attracted many entries including two international crews but none of them were a match for Leander 'A' who beat all their rivals by several boat lengths including the final against a Norwegian crew. In doing so Leander 'A' broke three course records at the Barrier mark, Fawley mark, and Finish – the overall course record was smashed by seven seconds in a time of 6 mins 23 seconds! After all the months of training

they were very proud and delighted recipients of HRR medals and the trophy.

On 20 October, Robert's Reading University U23 Quad came 3rd in its class over 2000m at the British Rowing Senior Championships being held in Nottingham. On the same day, James stroked the Harvard University Freshman VIII in the Men's Championship Eights at the 49th Head of the Charles Regatta (4800m). Although the HU Freshman VIII is of mixed abilities, they were the youngest crew (average age of 18) in a field of 32 boats, racing against very experienced rowers from other US and



OD VIII



Richard Starke

Rowing Club on and off from 2007 until now. This event is part of the bigger *Ubunye Challenge* (www.ubunyechallenge.com) he set up in 2011.

The annual Bishops Spring Regatta was held at Zeekoevlei on 26 October. Unfortunately the event took place just before the start of varsity exams and Matric so there was a reduced turn-out of rowing ODs and Old Boys from other schools. However, with the assistance of some U16s, an OD VIII raced with **Chase Hyde (2005)**, **Rowan Nichols (2010)**, **Daniel de Freitas (2013)**, **Fred Scholtz (2011)** and **Richard Starke (1957)** against the 1st VIII crews over a distance of 800m. Even though he is in his seventies, Richard is still a keen rower and likes to take his Double onto the Palmiet River near Betty's Bay when the opportunity arises.

Bishops Rowing is starting to compile a Rowing OD mailing list to keep past rowers directly informed of regattas and events. Please could Rowing ODs send their names, year of matriculation and e-mail address to rowing@bishops.org.za

FOUNDERS VS SCHOOL HOUSE – THE GOLF CHALLENGE

The fourth annual School House vs Founders **1977** matrics golf challenge was held at Hermanus on the weekend of 11 – 12 October. Once again, **Adrian Kuiper** (White House) was seconded to the Founders House team and **George Dods** (a Bishops Prep old Boy and contemporary of the 1977 matrics) filled in for a late withdrawal from School House. As with previous occasions, the competition was fierce with no quarter asked for or given. At the end of day one, School House found themselves down 9-6 and had to dig deep to make up the deficit the following morning, which they did despite late night efforts to effect alcoholic poisoning on the School House players, torrential rain and wind and frequent requests from Founders to concede due to the weather! After forensic accounting and references to the non-existent rules, the captains decided that a draw was a fair result, denying School House another win to add to the three of the previous years. While

international universities. This regatta is an annual event on the Charles River in Boston which attracts 9000 athletes and 300,000 spectators!

Later this year, (currently planned for 15 December), **Cameron Bellamy (2000)** and a crew of eight plan to attempt to break the record for the fastest unsupported trans-Atlantic crossing in a rowing boat. The crew will leave The Canary Islands mid-December and hope to complete the row in under 32 days and 16 hours (the current record). Cameron rowed for Rhodes University from 2001 until 2005, then London

the golf was the catalyst for the reunion, the discussion and stories (some embellished) are the real reason why this weekend has become a permanent fixture. Thirty-six years on and the friendships (as well as some old rivalries) remain close and are testimony to the bonds that bind Bishops old boys through the decades. It is interesting to note that some memories of events required the author to revert to his library of Bishops magazines to confirm, inter alia, that **Stuart MacSymon** had in fact won the sports day 100m hurdles and not **Martin Versveld** (who went on to win the triangular with Stuart second)!



From the back and left to right: **Stuart MacSymon, Simon Grose, Struan Buchanan, Richard Day, Adrian Kuiper, Nicholas Mace, Mark Westcott, Simon Koch and Manfred Oelz.**

In the front and left to right is: **Richie Ryall, George Dods and Martin Versveld.**

OD SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS, SINCE THE LAST MAGAZINE.

Congratulations to the following:-

RUGBY:

1. Nizaam Carr (2009) and **Tim Swiel (2011)** on representing DHL Western Province in the ABSA Currie Cup. Nizaam won the most promising Young forward of the season for Western Province at the 2013 Western Province rugby awards.

2. Paul Cohen (2009) and **Cameron Doyle (2011)** on representing the WP Premier

League 2nd team Champions UCT 2nd XV during the 2013 season. Paul Cohen also captained the side on occasions.

3. Richard Stewart (2008) on captaining the UCT 1st XV on two occasions during the season, UCT finished the league in Third Place.

4. Daniel Clarke (2004), Morgan Newman (2004), Dustin Jinka (2003) and Michael Ledwidge (2005) on representing Hamiltons Rugby Club in the WP Premier Division, Hamiltons ended the season as the top placed Community Club and will now represent Western Province in the 2014 Community Cup. Morgan Newman also represented the Western Province Amateur side in the 2013 Amateur final at Newlands. He scored a try in that match.

5. Graeme Knoop (2005) on representing WP Premier League 1B champions False Bay. False Bay only lost one match during the season.

6. Grant Muller (2011), Luke Jacobs (2011), Emilio da Graca (2011) and Floris Groenix van Zielen (2012) on representing the WP under 20 B league Champions False Bay Rugby Club. Grant Muller and Luke Jacobs were Captain and Vice-Captain respectively.

7. Dillyn Leyds (2010) on signing a contract with Super Rugby franchise the Western Force for the 2014 Super Rugby Season.

8. Nick Koster (2007) on representing Bristol Rugby club in the Rugby Championship (English 1st Division). He will join fellow ODs **Stuart Commins (2006)** (Ealing R.F.C) and **Nick Fenton-Wells (2004)** (Bedford Blues) in the 1st Division.

9. Oliver Kebble (2009), Dillyn Leyds (2010), Tim Swiel (2011) and Jonny Kotze (2011) on representing Western Province Under 21 during the season, WP won the 2013 ABSA u21 Cup. **John Dobson (1986)** was the head coach of the squad.

10. Jason Morris (2012) on representing Western Province in the Under 19 ABSA Cup this season. **Jason Morris** will join 2013 Matric **Shane Smith (2013)** in the Western Province Rugby Academy for 2014.

11. Ian Armstrong (2005) on being selected for the Zimbabwe National Rugby Team for their Tri Nations series vs Namibia and Kenya in November.

12. The UCT Cobras who had **11 ODs** in their match 22 for the UCT internal league final. UCT were crowned 2013 Champions and will participate in the 2014 Varsity Koshuis Cup.

13. Christo Burger (2012), Sam Stelzner (2010), Marc van Heerden (2008), Tim Olds (2012), and Clinton White (2009) on representing *Simonsberg Wildehonde* in the 2013 Maties Koshuis league.

ATHLETICS:

1. Ben Brimble (2003), Thomas Gerhardt (2003), Shaun Golding (2001) and James Day (2003) on competing in the 2013 Berlin Marathon. Ben came 442nd and was the fourth South African to cross the line.

CRICKET:

1. Siya Simetu (2009) on making his One Day Cup debut for the *Cape Cobras* vs the *Knights*. Siya ended with impressive figures of 3/42.

TENNIS:

1. Matthew Fawcett (2006) on participating in the 2013 *Futures Tour* in the USA, He now has a professional tennis ranking.

Kindly compiled and researched by **Steven Riches (2003)**

MEMORIES

There has been an excellent response to the request for memories, anecdotes and stories from ODs. Please keep them coming in as feedback informs us that they are popular.

OSBORNE'S CRICKET BALL



Derrick Ferrandi (1936-43), who got seven wickets for two runs against the Rondebosch 1st XI in 1943 (see June 1987 Magazine at page 120), has recalled a previous effort by **Roy Osborne (1932-42)** which shaded even those remarkable figures, and suggested that the details be confirmed with **Tony van Ryneveld (1939-43)**. Sure enough, Tony remembers the exact details of a WP Nuffield match against Border at Mt Edgecombe in Natal in 1941. The game should not really have been played, as rain had badly affected the pitch, but the schedule had to be completed. In the WP side were **Frank Moore (1937-41)**, captain, **George Bolus (1936-41)**, **André Green (1937-41)**, who won the DFC in World War II and was killed in a car accident in Rhodesia in 1966, and Tony himself. Border lost the toss and batted. Roy and George opened the bowling and took four wickets before a run was scored. Then a Borderer snicked

a ball, started to run and had his wicket thrown down by O'Grady of Observatory BH, an outstanding fielder, That made it five for nought. The last five wickets added two runs and an extra; and Border were all out for three. Roy's figures were seven for one, and George's two for one. Tony opened the WP batting, and equaled the Border score with the first two balls. WP then collapsed to seven for seven, and were eventually all out for 39.

Tony recalls that Roy was often unplayable, particularly when bowling at home from the Founders end into a south-easter. He was medium pace, but had a vicious late in-swing. Earlier in that year (1941) Tony had the mortifying experience of opening the bowling against Bellville with Roy - and watching him take all ten wickets. Roy's figures were: Overs 6; Maidens 3; Runs 15; Wickets 10

Ulick Brown (1944) reminisces:

THE EGRETS.

When I was at Bishops in the nineteen-thirties, there were vast flocks of Egrets in Rondebosch. Many hundreds of these big white birds nested in two areas: The pine trees on Rondebosch Common opposite Rustenburg Senior School, and - the subject of my Memory - in the triangle of land opposite Bishops entrance, bordered by Camp Ground Road, Erin Road and Upper Duke Road, which area was densely covered by tall stone pine trees.

In those days, many Bishops boys lived in the False Bay suburbs and came to school each morning by train to Rondebosch station from whence they walked to school up Duke Road. This walk entailed crossing the triangle at much the same time as the egrets took off from their nests to forage in the Black River. Unfortunately that co-incided with when the birds 'let go' on their daily 'duty'. This made crossing the triangle quite a hazardous undertaking and there were many exchanges in early school between those who got 'hit' and those who had escaped.

School uniform at that time made it compulsory to wear felt hats when in public and many a good hat with its Bishops ribbon bore evidence of misfortune!

CRICKET TEAMS

Back in my four years at College, 1939-1940, the Bishops 1st Cricket XI played in Cape Town's second league against open (adult) teams. The matches were played over two successive Saturdays. In my college new boy year, I was the 1st team scorer.

The College 2nd team was called the A and the 3rd was the B. Increasing interest called for starting a fourth U.19 team, so it was, officially, called the 'B squared'! My own best achievement was to captain the B.

There had been only three U.15 sides until 1937 when Sam Butler, the Art master, brought in the F and at last we were allowed nets! The first match of the F was against Lansdowne High whose Nuffield star got us all out for 16 and nine. I got top score of six. Our next match, believe it or not, was against *Marsh Memorial Homes*. But we did have a match every Saturday and that I loved!

Ian Bekker (1956) has sent some great anecdotes from his time in Founders. He writes:

The publication of “Spud” has revived some amusing stories about some of the mischief the boarders of Founders caused in the years 1953 to 1956. Here are a few of them.



SPOOKS IN THE DORM

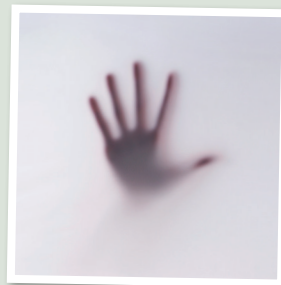
In 1954 the Std. 8's were put in the old dorm, adjoining the Housemaster's quarters. It was the oldest part of the school, and pretty rough and ready. Stone steps with a steel railing led up from the ablution block, through two right-hand turns to the door of the

dorm. With the lights off at night it was pitch dark.

In the dorm the allocated prefect slept closest to the door, to prevent any nocturnal wanderings and keep order generally. Our prefect was Kevin Donnelly (nicknamed “The Don”), a powerful, volatile ginger haired chap of Irish descent. Unfortunately, he had a terrible fear of the dark - and this became known. He also feared that some of us would asphyxiate ourselves in our bedding: after ‘lights-out’ he would tiptoe down the whole dorm, gently pulling sheets and blankets away from our faces so that we could breathe properly. Sometimes I slept with my eyes open, and I also suffered from sleep apnoea (when I would lie dead still without breathing for up to two minutes, then erupt like Krakatoa). This would freak out The Don, and on many occasions I was rudely awakened by his shaking me back to life.

But worse was to follow. His co-prefects learned of his fear of the dark and of ghosts. So one night in midwinter they set him up. He was delegated to attend to the final locking up of the evening - the main doors to Founders, the rec room, etc. - and to put off all the lights. In the meantime one of the other prefects had kept a hand under freezing cold water for some minutes, and then taken up a crouching position on the stairs. The Don duly locked up and doused all lights. He was about halfway up the stairs when an icy, wet hand stroked down his face. With a scream of terror he lashed out, but flailed over the head of his assailant and damaged his fist against the wall. He then fled down the stairs to the rec room, where he put on all the lights and spent a sleepless night on a sofa.

There is a sequel to this story. A couple of months later the gang decided to repeat the action. But it backfired badly. This time The Don connected – and broke the nose of his tormentor (I think that it was Richard Jager, a boxer of note).



GUY FAWKES 1955

One of the guys in our year was Roland Oliver (‘RO’ or Ollie) Hill, destined later to achieve

prominence / notoriety in a number of fields. But at school, where he excelled at Maths, Chemistry and Physics, his main interest was in things that go BANG! He was always experimenting with various mixtures of ingredients, some obtained from the Science lab and some from nurseries.

In mid-1955 he told Charlie Winshaw and me that he had developed a black powder that should have tremendous explosive power.

But it had to be tested. So I scoured the junk deposits behind the san, and eventually found a piece of lead pipe, about a foot long and an inch in diameter. We crimped the one end, drilled a small hole in the middle, filled it with the mystery powder, and then crimped the other end. Ollie then inserted a fuse into the hole: it consisted of a length of twine that had been soaked in some liquid and allowed to dry. He had tested its rate of burn.

The experiment took place on a Sunday afternoon, in some trees below the tennis courts. We selected one with a trunk of about six inches, and attached the pipe bomb at its base. Ollie lit the fuse, and we all dived for cover. After about 30 seconds we heard a sharp cracking sound and the earth shook a bit. We approached the test site - to find a hole about a foot deep and no sign of the tree!

Encouraged by this success we decided to provide a spectacular show on the night of the Guy Fawkes festivities. This required a lot of preparation. We found an old four gallon paraffin drum, and fitted it with wire handles. Ollie filled a coffee tin with his explosive, and inserted a thin pipe into its lid to accommodate the fuse: with positioning wires we carefully centred the tin in the drum, then filled it with concrete. It was hidden behind the tennis courts for a week, to solidify. It was then portable, but bloody heavy.

That year the 5 November was a weekday, a Tuesday, I think. It was a dark night, with plenty of dark cloud cover. Ideal for fireworks... At about 20h30 the three of us sneaked out of the side door of Founders, and went off to hoist our petard. After much panting, pulling and swearing (all done very *sotto voce*) we eventually lugged our drum up to Top Field, and placed it between the two fields. Ollie lit the fuse, and the three of us sprinted over to the safety of the shooting range. We didn't know what to expect.

The explosion was deafening. The whole sky over Rondebosch lit up like an incandescent mantle. We felt the blast (apparently two window panes in School House were blown out). We scarpered back to Founders only to be back in prep before any roll call could be taken.

The *Cape Times* commented on a 'mysterious huge Guy Fawkes' display,' the grounds man had to fill in a large hole in Top Field - but the perpetrators were never identified. Ollie's remark: "Now THAT is a bang that even Guy Fawkes would have been proud of."





SPOTTY'S ENLIGHTENMENT

In our matric year we each had a study reached by a stairwell in the Founders tower. At the top of the stair was Ollie's then Charlie Winshaw's, then mine, then Brian Spottiswood's, then others. Spotty was untidy, noisy and insisted on singing although he was tone-deaf and off-tune. After supervising prep in the evenings he would always come clumping noisily up the stairs, fling open his study door and put on the light switch at the door; his light consisted of an articulated metal table lamp with 180 degree shield over the globe.

We had decided to jolt him into realizing that he was disrupting the whole wing, and ideas had been tabled. A popular one was to electrify his door handle, but we had to reject it because we didn't know how to monitor the transformer – and we didn't want to electrocute him.

Then Ollie got hold of a bundle of very thin copper wire. It looked like a fisherman's overwind on his reel. A light-bulb idea was formed, literally.

When Spotty went off to oversee prep we went into his study and removed his light globe. Using cloths we broke the seal where the glass joins the metal, removing the glass intact. We then snipped off the filaments, filled the glass with the fine copper wire and attached the two ends of the wire to the two filament stumps: the glass was then carefully fitted to the bayonet fitting with Scotch tape. The new globe was then inserted into the lamp, and the lamp was aimed at the wall, so that a person at the door would be protected from flying pieces. The door was closed and we all settled down to wait for the ambush to be sprung. True to form Spotty came clumping along, humming off-tune. The door was flung open. Suddenly there was a loud BANG, followed by a blinding flash of light. Spotty came reeling down the passage, somewhat stupefied and temporarily blinded by our monster flashbulb. No real damage done but point made.

SKIP'S SURPRISE

During the first term of our matric year our Housemaster, Wilkie, went on a month's leave. Our venerable – and very much respected / feared – Headmaster, Skip Kidd, stood in for him. Skip was a stickler for rules, and no-one wanted to be caught out by him. We matrics were allowed a 15 minute break for tea / coffee at about 21h00 nightly, but we were meant to return to our studies immediately thereafter.

A few days after his arrival, Skip crept up the stairs a few minutes after the tea break and caught some of us still chatting. He gave us a terrible tongue-lashing, to such an extent that we decided to prevent a recurrence.

Ollie to the rescue... He came from the Science lab with a dark, viscous liquid (I think that it was nitrogen iodide): one would paint it on a surface and allow it to dry. The dry powder was very volatile. Anything touching it would trigger a big bang, without causing any damage.

We knew that Skip would return within a few days. Ollie painted his *muti* on the steps during our tea break. Shortly thereafter we heard multiple bangs, as Skip went from one step to the next, perplexed by these minor explosions. He retired with as much dignity as he could muster. But he never pestered us again.



OD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the OD Union will be held in the **Hyslop Hall** on
Wednesday 12 March 2014 at 6.00pm

AGENDA

Notice convening the Meeting
Apologies
Minutes of the AGM of 13 March 2013
Matters arising therefrom
Chairman's Annual Report
Financial Statements
Election of Office Bearers
Address by the Principal
Any other Business