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THE SOCIETY

THE FELLOWS IN 2015

With very great sadness the Society learnt on 23rd June 2015 of the sudden death of **Professor Ajit Singh** at the age of 74. As a Fellow of Queens' for very nearly 50 years, Ajit had given great service to the College, teaching Economics and serving as Director of Studies for many years. For a number of years he was also Senior Fellow and it gave him particular pleasure to preside in that capacity at the installation of John Eatwell, his former pupil, as President. Ajit was an extremely distinguished, internationally-respected Economist and served the University too as a Lecturer, Reader and Professor of Economics. Despite severe ill-health in recent years he continued to travel the world to lecture, to research and to advise Governments, academic institutions and individuals. A fuller obituary appears elsewhere in *The Record*.

In August we heard of the death of our senior Honorary Fellow, **Professor Charles Tomlinson**, C.B.E., F.R.S.L. at the age of 88. Professor Tomlinson was a most distinguished poet, translator, artist and academic and had been an Honorary Fellow for over 40 years. Then in March 2016 news came of the death of another of our Honorary Fellows, **Professor Peter Matthias**, C.B.E., F.B.A., F.R.H.S. Peter came to Queens' as a Fellow and College Lecturer in History from Jesus College in 1955. He was a Tutor, Tutor for Graduate Students and for a number of years Director of Studies in History. Whilst at Queens' he was a University Lecturer in History and also Senior Proctor. In 1968 he moved to Oxford as Chichele Professor of Economic History and became a Fellow of All Souls College. He was elected an Honorary Fellow of Queens' when he accepted the post of Master of Downing College in 1987.

Then on 28 April 2016 the Fellowship heard with great sadness of the death of the novelist Jenny Diski, wife of Dr Ian Patterson. The President led the College in expressing its condolences to Ian and to his family.

In February 2016 the Governing Body decided to renew the tenure of **Lord Eatwell** as President up to the statutory retirement age of 75 (which will be in 2020).

On June 13th 2015 it was announced that two Fellows of Queens' had been awarded the CBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours. Our Vice-President, **Professor Lisa Hall**, was awarded her CBE for services to Higher Education and to Sport. As well as serving as Professor of Analytical Biotechnology and Deputy Head of the Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology, she is Chair of Disability Snowsports UK, helping the disabled to enjoy skiing, snowboarding and other winter sports. **Professor James Jackson** was awarded his CBE for services to Environmental Science. As Professor of Active Tectonics and, until recently, Head of the Department of Earth Sciences, he is part of a large research group investigating many aspects of earthquakes. He also leads 'Earthquakes without Frontiers', an organisation which seeks to bring together physical and social scientists with local people and politicians all over Asia to try to increase resilience to earthquakes.

Also in June, the Society was delighted to hear of the promotion of two Fellows to Readerships within the University. **Dr John Allison** becomes Reader in Public Law and Comparative Historical Jurisprudence and **Dr Marie Edmonds** is reader in Volcanology and Petrology. In addition it was announced at the same time that **Dr Graham McShane** was to be promoted to a Senior Lectureship. **Dr Howard Stone** has been promoted from Assistant Director of Research to a University Lectureship in the Department of Metallurgy and Materials Science and so has been elected an Official Fellow of Queens'. In order to give the Chapel a formal voice on the Governing Body, the Chaplain, **the Revd Tim Harling**, has also become an Official Fellow. In November he took on the additional responsibility of Rural Dean of South Cambridge.

Dr Ian Patterson has reached the retirement age, but his expertise as College Librarian and Keeper of the Old Library is much valued and so he has been asked to stay in office in those capacities and has accepted a Bye-Fellowship so that he can continue to report to the Governing Body. Dr Patterson joined the Fellowship in 1999 as a College Lecturer in English. He has since then been a very successful Director of Studies in English as well as serving as a Tutor (on one or two occasions as Acting Senior Tutor). He is also, of course, a distinguished poet. **Professor Jim Russell** has been a Fellow of Queens' since 2006, teaching Psychology for the College in the Natural Sciences and the Politics, Psychology and Sociology Triposes as well as in the new Psychological and Behavioural Sciences Tripos. Latterly he has been Professor of Cognitive Development in the University. He too retired in 2015 and becomes a Fellow Emeritus. He also, of course, is a published poet of distinction.

Dr Rebekah Clements has come to the end of her tenure as a Research Fellow. She is to be congratulated on securing a Lectureship in Japanese Studies at the University of Durham. **Dr Richard Bowman**, who has also come to the end of the tenure of his Research Fellowship, has won a prestigious Research Award and is remaining in Cambridge. He becomes a Queens' Post-Doctoral Research Associate so that he can continue to be a member of our Society.

Sadly the funding for the post of Director of Music has run out and so **Dr Silas Wollston** has perforce come to the end of his tenure as a Bye-Fellow and Director of Studies in Music. He was elected as a Fellow Commoner (Research) for the academic year 2015-16.

Dr Tore Butlin, who has been a Bye-Fellow of Queens' in Engineering for some years, successfully applied for the new Lectureship in Dynamics and Vibration at the University Engineering Department. This Lectureship is to be associated with a Fellowship at Queens' and so Tore becomes an Official Fellow and College Lecturer in Engineering.

Two new Research Fellows joined us in October 2015. **Mara Polgovsky Ezcurra** has joint Mexican/Argentine nationality. After a BA in International Relations from El Colegio de Mexico, she studied for an MA in History at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales in Paris. She has been a student at Girton College for her PhD in Latin American Cultural Studies,

looking at modern and contemporary Latin American art, visual culture and literature and aesthetic theory. Her Research fellowship falls under the umbrella of Modern and Medieval Languages. **Sebastian Keibek** is a Dutch national and an Economic Historian, studying the structure of occupations in England and Wales 1600-1850. Originally a physicist with a degree from the University of Utrecht, he worked as a business strategy advisor and consultant after a period as an offshore engineer with Royal Dutch Shell. He returned to academia in 2008 to study for an undergraduate degree in History at St Edmund's College, before moving on to Wolfson for his MPhil and PhD. He is a Teaching Associate at the Faculty of Economics.

In October **Dr Tristan Beckinschtein** joined the Fellowship as an Official Fellow and College Lecturer in Psychological and Behavioural Sciences. Dr Beckinschtein is an Argentinian citizen, obtaining his Licenciatura (the equivalent of a combined bachelor's and master's degree) in Biological Sciences followed by a PhD in Neuroscience from the University of Buenos Aires. After Post-Docs in Paris and in Cambridge, he became a Wellcome Trust Fellow in the MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit in Cambridge and was appointed a Lecturer in the Department of Psychology in 2014. He is a specialist in disorders of consciousness.

Dr Ella McPherson has also joined us as an Official Fellow in Sociology. Her bachelor's degree was from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University. She then came to Cambridge to study for an MPhil in Latin American Studies at Pembroke College, followed by a PhD in Sociology. Her doctorate research concerned Human Rights reporting in Mexico. She then became a Research Fellow at Wolfson College, taking a two year break as a Fellow in Media and Communications at the LSE. Since 2014 she has been a Research Associate at the Centre for Governance and Human Rights and an ESRC Future Research Leader Fellow in the Department of Sociology back at Cambridge University and is now a University Lecturer in the Sociology of New Media and Digital Technology.

Mindful of a short-term problem with teaching in English, the College has appointed two Official Fellows to be College Lecturers in that subject. **Alison Bumke** is an American citizen and she completed her Bachelor's degree at Barnard College, Columbia University, New York. She studied for an MPhil at Queens' and has recently completed her PhD on John Donne's rhetoric of disease. She has extensive experience of supervising in English and returns to Queens' after a year teaching at the University of Paris 7 Diderot. She has been offered and has accepted a one-year limited-term Fellowship at the College. **Dr James Baxendine** is a graduate of Magdalen College, Oxford, and, after an M.Phil. in Eighteenth Century and Romantic Studies at Selwyn College, returned to Oxford to undertake research for a DPhil on Wordsworth. He was a Research Fellow back at Selwyn 2012-15 and also has extensive experience teaching English. He has a two-year limited-tenure fellowship at Queens'.

Dr Alessio Zaccone has been elected as an Official Fellow and College Lecturer in Physics. His first degree, in Chemical Engineering, was from the Politecnico di Torino and was followed by

a PhD from ETH Zurich. He spent four years as a Research Fellow at the Cavendish Laboratory before taking up a Professorship in Theoretical Physics at the Technical University of Munich. He has a great deal of teaching experience and has now returned to an academic post in Cambridge as a Lecturer in the Department of Chemical Engineering. Dr Zaccone's research interests lie in the fields of the physics of materials with disordered structures and of the assembly of bio-molecules into larger scale structures of filaments and networks.

Dr José María Escartín Esteban, a physicist, has been a Post-Doctoral Research Associate at Queens' since 2013. He has been awarded a prestigious Newton Trust Time-Limited Teaching Fellowship. This Fellowship is to be held in conjunction with a college Bye-Fellowship and, in view of the teaching José Maria has done for Queens' and his involvement in many aspects of college life since he became a PDRA, the College was very happy to elect him to a Bye-Fellowship with effect from January 2016. His undergraduate degree, Licenciado en Física, was from the University of Barcelona and he went on to complete an Advanced Studies Diploma, a Masters degree in University Teaching for New Lecturers and a PhD in Theoretical Physics at Barcelona. After two years as a Post-Doctoral Research Associate at the University Paul Sabatier at Toulouse, he joined the Theory of Condensed Matter Group at the Cavendish Laboratory in 2013 and specialises in Electronic Structure Theory. He has taught in both the Natural Sciences and Mathematics Triposes since arriving at Cambridge. In April he married, in Queens' Chapel, Dr Rebekah Clements, Research Fellow of Queens' until September 2015, who, as reported above, is now a Lecturer at the University of Durham.

Dr Bogdan Roman was elected a Bye-Fellow in Computer Science in February 2016. A Romanian national, he graduated from the Politechnica University of Bucharest in 2002 with a BSc in Electrical Engineering. He also obtained an MSc from the University of Versailles on Mobile Networks and Radio Communications. After 4 years working in industry in France, he embarked on a PhD in the Computer Laboratory at Cambridge and was a student of Girton College. From 2010-2013 he was a Research Fellow at the Computer Laboratory and at Homerton College, where he has also been Director of Studies for Computer Science. His research centres on wireless networks, signal processing, randomised algorithms and modelling and he has recently signed a contract with Siemens to work on compressed sensing. Since 2013 he has been a Research Associate in the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics. He has taught extensively in both the Computer Science and the Engineering Triposes.

In view of his extremely distinguished career, the College resolved in March 2015 to elect **Professor Roderick Smith** as an Honorary Fellow and he was admitted in May. Rod came to Queens' from St John's College, Oxford, in 1971 as a Research Student in the Department of Engineering. He went on to become a Research Fellow, an Official Fellow and Director of Studies in Engineering at Queens' and a University Lecturer in Engineering. In 1988 he accepted the Chair of Mechanical and Process Engineering at the University of Sheffield,

becoming also the Royal Academy of Engineering/British Rail Research Professor of Advanced Railway Engineering in 1995. In 2000 he moved to Imperial College, London, as Professor and Head of Mechanical Engineering. After a year as a Senior Visiting Research Fellow back at St John's, Oxford, he was again from 2006 until 2011 Royal Academy of Engineering Research Professor in Advanced Railway Engineering at Imperial and continues as a Research Professor there and as a Visiting Professor at Oxford. He took an ScD from Cambridge in 1988, is a Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering, has served as President of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers and as Chief Scientific Advisor to the Department of Transport and has Honorary Degrees from the Universities of Lincoln and Sheffield. As well as over 320 papers he has published 9 books on subjects as varied as fatigue and fracture mechanics, innovative teaching, engineering for crowd safety, railway engineering and condition monitoring. He has chaired or served on several important committees and acted as a Consultant to a variety of national and international bodies. He has given expert evidence at enquiries into several rail accidents and shipping failures.

Dr Bruno Paes-Manso was elected a Fellow Commoner for the Lent Term 2016 whilst he was a visiting scholar at the Department of Latin American Studies and resident in Queens'. With degrees in Economics and in Journalism from the University of São Paulo and the Pontifical Catholic University of São Paulo, he became a noted investigative journalist for the *O Estado de São Paulo* newspaper, highlighting violence in the city. His book, *The X Men – The Soul of the Killer in São Paulo*, won the Vladimir Herzog Award for best book. He returned to University to study for an MS and a PhD in Political Science and now works for the Centre for Violence Study in São Paulo, where he has built up an expertise in the study of homicides in the city.

Mrs Annamaria Koerling has also been elected a Fellow Commoner. She graduated from Queens' in 1985 and embarked on a highly successful career in the City of London. She has acquired a particular expertise in international private client business. She is currently an executive of C. Hoare and Company, where she has led the transformation of the bank's wealth management business. She is a Chartered Wealth Manager and a member of the College's Investments Committee, at which her expertise and advice are much valued. In 2013 *Citywealth* named her 'Woman of the Year'.

Two more Fellow Commoners were elected in July. **Dr Gareth Taylor** has taught Mathematics for Queens' and several other colleges for a number of years and it was felt a Fellow Commonership was an appropriate way to recognise his important contributions to the supervising of our undergraduates. A graduate of Corpus Christi, he studied for a DPhil at the University of Oxford. **Gifford Combs** has recently agreed to join the Board of the University's new fund-raising campaign. A resident of California, he is a Partner, Portfolio Manager and Founding Member at Dalton Investments, LLC. After a degree from Harvard, he matriculated at Queens' to study for an MPhil in Economics and Politics in 1983. He has made a number of generous donations both to the University and to several colleges,

including Queens', and is a Member of the University's Guild of Benefactors. He also serves on the Board of Cambridge in America.

In March 2015 the Governing Body added **Mr Simon Harris** to the roll of Fellow Commoners for three years. He came up to Queens' as an undergraduate in 1980 and gained two Blues in the Boat Race. He was President of CUBC. He is a distinguished Marine Engineer, currently Chief Commercial Officer for the engineering company Houlder Ltd. He has in the past umpired both the men's and women's Boat Races, umpiring the men's race again in 2016. He has expressed his willingness to support both the College's business mentoring scheme for students and the College Boat Club.

Professor James Diggle was first Praelector of Queens' 1971-73 and then resumed the office in 1977. Apart from sabbatical leave, he has continued in that office with great distinction until now. After 40 years in total in office as Praelector, he is handing over the reins to **Dr David Butterfield**. James presented the Queens' graduands in the Senate House with his usual verve and panache at General Admissions on 25 June 2015 – with the permission of the Senior Proctor and the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, the duty Proctors led a packed Senate House in applause in recognition of this extraordinarily long service. He presented his very last tranche of graduands at the Congregation in July.

There has been a major change in the arrangement of the Tutorial system for undergraduates this academic year. Students no longer have a designated Tutor but can approach any of the four undergraduate Tutors for assistance. Dr Rossi and Dr Kahrs have been specialising in Administrative and Academic issues and Dr McShane and Professor Hall in Welfare and Mentoring issues. The students are now, of course, also supported by a Welfare Team, consisting of the Chaplain, the College Nurse and two Welfare Advisors.

Another group of Post-Doctoral Research Associates have been appointed to Membership of the SCR. Four are Queens' alumni: **Mr Christopher Hill** (Haematology), **Mr Robert Pralat** (Sociology), **Dr Keren Carss** (Biological Sciences) and **Mr Tim Cannings** (Pure Mathematics). In addition **Dr Irene Calvo Almazan** (Physics), **Dr Tomas McAuley** (Music), **Dr Liang Wang** (Computer Science) and **Dr Piotr Tourkine** (Mathematics) have accepted the College's invitation to become PDRAs.

THOMAE SMITHI ACADEMIA

The Thomae Smithi Academia, a discussion group for Fellows, Fellow Commoners, and Distinguished Academic Visitors, founded in 1976, continues to hold five meetings annually, in the Old Combination Room. Discussions were held on the following topics: (Lent 2015) 'The drugs don't work: resistance, persistence and a post-antibiotic apocalypse', introduced by Dr Fraser; 'Countermeasures and the making and unmaking of international law', introduced by Dr Paddeu; (Easter 2015) 'The present and future of cancer genomics', introduced by Dr Martincorena; (Michaelmas 2015) 'Cellar claret prospects', introduced by Dr Kahrs; 'The UK modern languages crisis', introduced by Prof. Pountain; (Lent 2016) 'Genocide, Security and Democracy: logical bedfellows?', introduced by Dr Denyer Willis; 'Language origin and evolution', introduced by Dr Acedo-Matellán.

JAMES DIGGLE

PROFESSOR AJIT SINGH

FELLOW 1965-2015

Ajit Singh, who died on 23rd June 2015, aged 74, was a Fellow of Queens' for 50 years, and an inspirational supervisor of generations of Queens' economists.

Singh was something of a contradiction: an atheist, yet proud Sikh; a radical challenger of economic (and political) orthodoxy, yet devoted Fellow of Queens'. But above all, he was an outstanding academic economist. His initial research focussed on the modern corporation and stock markets and their role in economic growth. At first he worked on advanced economies but subsequently he made major contributions to the study of deindustrialisation, long-term structural change and financial markets in both developed and developing economies. His research led him to be an implacable critic of the neo-liberal consensus that budget austerity, deregulation, privatisation and open market policies are essential to stability and growth.

Singh was born in 1940 in Lahore in pre-partition India and his early education was at Punjab University, Chandigarh, where he studied Sanskrit, mathematics and economics. One of his economics teachers was Manmohan Singh, later Prime Minister of India. In 1959 he won a scholarship to complete an MA in Economics at Howard University, Washington D.C. In 1960 he moved to the University of California Berkeley. A major influence on his work was to be a visitor to Berkeley, the Cambridge economist, Robin Marris. At that time Marris was working on his book, *The Economic Theory of 'Managerial Capitalism'* and Singh was his

research assistant. This collaboration led to Singh choosing takeovers as the topic of his PhD dissertation, later published as *Takeovers: their relevance to the stock market and the theory of the firm* (1971).

Marris invited Singh to Cambridge where he was appointed a Research Officer at the Department of Applied Economics in 1963; and then elected to an Assistant Lectureship in the Faculty of Economics and Politics and to a Fellowship of Queens' College in 1965. Subsequent promotions in the Faculty led to an *ad hominem* Professorship in 1995.

In Cambridge, Singh formed a close working relationship with Geoffrey Whittington. Together they pioneered the use of computer based analysis of large scale corporate databases, which they also helped create, and which underpinned decades of subsequent research by themselves and others. The publication of *Takeovers* was delayed by work on the book they co-authored, *Growth, Profitability and Valuation* (1968).

Firms quoted on the stock market account for a substantial majority of UK economic activity. Of around 2000 such firms in the 60s and 70s about 1000 would change ownership through takeover in ten years. Singh's contribution was to turn on its head the conventional thinking about this hugely significant empirical phenomenon. At the time it was argued that takeovers would constitute a market for corporate control which would select the fittest companies for survival, act as a curb on managerial cupidity, and secure economic efficiency. Singh demonstrated conclusively that these rosy conclusions are false. By careful empirical study of takeovers, he revealed that it is not possible to distinguish between the characteristics of acquired and non-acquired firms, other than that there is a tendency for smaller firms to be taken over. Equally, both the short- and long-run impacts of takeovers on share prices suggest that, on average, takeovers lead to substantial loss of wealth for shareholders of the acquiring company. Subsequent research demonstrated that the myopic behaviour of companies, too narrowly focused on their short-term stock market valuation and the threat of takeovers, could reduce economic competitiveness.

Singh's interest in industrial structure and performance took a more macro-economic focus in the debate (stimulated initially by Nicholas Kaldor) over the de-industrialisation of Britain. The tendency for the share of manufacturing in economic activity and in particular its share in employment to decline over time had led in the UK and elsewhere to a debate as to whether this deindustrialisation was a matter for concern. In the UK the share of manufacturing in total output has fallen from 30% in the 1960's to less than 10% today. The question arises: does this have any welfare implications or is it just a reflection of the UK's lack of comparative advantage in manufacturing compared to services and hence is an inevitable and, indeed, efficient market outcome? Defined simply as a declining share of manufacturing in GDP (a characteristic shared by all developed countries), empirical research on the phenomenon of deindustrialisation lacked analytical precision prior to the publication

in 1977 of Singh's path-breaking article in the *Cambridge Journal of Economics*, "UK industry and the world economy: a case of de-industrialisation?"

Singh argued that:

"given the normal levels of the other components of the balance of payments, we may define an efficient manufacturing sector as one which (currently as well as potentially) not only satisfies the demands of consumers at home, but is also able to sell enough of its products abroad to pay for the nation's import requirements. This is, however, subject to the important restriction that an 'efficient' manufacturing sector must be able to achieve these objectives at socially acceptable levels of output, employment and the exchange rate. These qualifications are essential, since otherwise, at a low enough level of real income or employment, almost any manufacturing sector might be able to meet such criteria of efficiency" (emphasis in original).

This characterisation of efficiency has proved to be of enduring importance. Indeed it is particularly pertinent today, when, with North Sea revenues exhausted and net property income from overseas sharply reduced, the UK's deficit on manufactured trade is 5% of GDP (having been 1.5% twenty years ago), contributing to a balance of payments deficit of 6% of GDP. "Other components of the balance of payments" are failing to fill the gap created by rising net imports of manufactures, and in consequence current levels of output and employment are sustained only by the persistent accumulation of foreign debt.

From the nineties onwards Singh's work concentrated increasingly on two main areas: economic development and most recently on the link between systems of corporate and labour law and economic development. A central pre-occupation was the contrast between the development path in India and China. His earlier studies of corporations and stock markets in developing economies showed that, in contrast with corporations in advanced countries, the rapid growth of newly listed companies is typically reliant on external sources of finance. Yet he opposed the arguments pursued by the "Washington Consensus", that economic development would be best served by capital account liberalization and the development of stock markets:

"Stock-markets are potent symbols of capitalism but paradoxically capitalism often flourishes better without their hegemony. ... stock-market expansion is not a necessary natural progression of a country's financial development. Historically, such progression has not occurred in leading continental European economies. ... Stock-markets have also played little role in the post-war industrialisation of Japan, Korea and Taiwan."

Singh's concern that the policies of the Washington Consensus would leave developing countries over-exposed in adverse times has proved to be well-founded, as evidenced in the Asian crisis of 1997-98; in the Bernanke stimulated "taper tantrums" of May 2013; and in

recent concerns over bond market liquidity and over the impact of stock market instability on development in China.

Ajit Singh was committed to the view that economics should be useful and should contribute to the improvement of the human condition. His approach was persistently empirical. He was critical of neo-classical economics because either it makes no useful predictions or its predictions simply do not fit the facts. His overall stance is perhaps best summed up by his own characterisation of the work of Brian Reddaway, a more conservative personality whom he held in the highest esteem:

"I hope I have managed to show the unorthodoxy of Reddaway's approach to economics. His own studies demonstrate that high quality research can be done without using mathematical equations and inferential econometrics. Like Keynes, Reddaway believed in using economic analysis to improve the world. He was an astringent intellectual who was not afraid to ask what he called 'idiot boy' questions and had the courage to say that the emperor frequently had no clothes. He had less time for economic theory than Keynes, but this was because he thought that Keynes had provided much of what macroeconomic theory was needed. What was required was not more beautiful abstractions, but answers, perhaps rough, to real world questions. ... Currently, the academic economics profession is dominated by a priori theorising and deductive modelling. Greater attention to Reddaway's legacy to economics, to its research methods and to teaching would greatly contribute to rebalancing the subject".

Substituting "Singh" for "Reddaway" in this passage provides an accurate summary of Singh's own approach to economics.

Singh was also critical of the standard of much contemporary econometrics. He pointed out that too often normal econometric practice fails to distinguish statistical from economic significance. Indeed a large majority of authors of papers in major journals believe that looking at the sign of a coefficient rather than its magnitude is adequate from an economic perspective.

In 1982 Singh was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. His first reaction was to travel the world experimenting with treatments, but he quickly came to terms with the need to manage the condition in a manner that least limited his career. Economics is too important, and there are many battles to be won. For the next thirty years he took on a daily workload and travel schedule that would have given difficulty to a healthy young man. He engaged with policy-makers across most parts of the developing world. The clarity of his written work was matched by the precision of his verbal style of presenting arguments and in teaching. It was remarkable feat of willpower that lasted, without self-pity, until the very end.

PROFESSOR CHARLES TOMLINSON, C.B.E., F.R.S.L.

HONORARY FELLOW 1974 - 2015

Professor Charles Tomlinson, poet, translator, artist and academic, an Old Queensman and Honorary Fellow since 1974, died on 22 August 2015 aged 88.

Alfred Charles Tomlinson was born in Stoke-on-Trent and brought up in a working-class family. He rejected the politics of resentment of some other poets from similar backgrounds but rejoiced that he had not suffered "the soft oppression of prosperity". He was educated at Longton High School in the Potteries, where an inspirational teacher encouraged him to read French novelists and poets and another to appreciate modern German music. He came up to Queens' in 1945 to read English. He graduated in 1948 and soon afterwards married an artist from his native Stoke, Brenda Raybould, a union which was to last 67 years. His first idea was to become a professional artist – inspired by trips to the Fitzwilliam Museum. His income as a graphic artist was supplemented by teaching in schools in Camden Town. He then took a job as Secretary to the critic Percy Lubbock who lived on the Italian coast. There, amongst other literati, he met E.M.Forster. On return to England, however, he took up a research scholarship at Royal Holloway and in 1956 was offered a post at Bristol University. He taught at Bristol until 1992, as a Lecturer, Reader and, from 1982, Professor of English.

It is, however, as a poet that he will primarily be remembered. He published 16 collections of poems, books of essays, translations and anthologies and was a major figure in modernist and internationalist English literature. His poetry often focussed on the natural world – his first poems, written from his sick bed when he was struck down by rheumatic fever at the age of 10 and was bed-bound for two years, were about the squirrels he could see from his window. The poetry was deeply influential on both sides of the Atlantic and he was much inspired by and in turn inspired several American poets. His work thrived on friendships with other poets from across the globe; he even collaborated with the Mexican poet Octavio Paz on a bilingual collection of sonnets: *Airborn/Hijos del aire*. In 1974, as well as being elected an Honorary Fellow of Queens', he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature. Other honours followed – honorary doctorates from the Universities of Keele, Colgate (New York State), New Mexico, Bristol and Gloucestershire, Fellowship of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and the Cholmondeley Award from the Society of Authors. In 2001 he was made a Companion of the British Empire. His poetry was carefully crafted and written with precision – "not a word wasted", said John Betjeman. He was interested in other art forms from music and architecture to painting. He also translated – Tyutchev from Russian, Machado, Vallejo and Paz from Spanish, Ungaretti from Italian, and several collections of poetry from French. He was the editor of *The Oxford Book of Verse in English Translation* (1980).

Since 1958 the Tomlinson family has lived in a cottage in the quintessentially English country village of Ozleworth, near Wotton-under-Edge in South Gloucestershire. In recent years both

his memory and his eyesight had begun to fade and he was diligently cared for in these difficult years by his wife and daughters.

PROFESSOR PETER MATHIAS, C.B.E., D.Litt., F.B.A., F.R.Hist.S.

FELLOW 1955-68, HONORARY FELLOW 1987-2016

Professor Peter Mathias, a former Tutor and Director of Studies in History at Queens' and an Honorary Fellow since his election as Master of Downing College in 1987 died on 1 March 2016, at the age of 88.

Peter Mathias was born in 1928 in Freshford, Somerset, where he lived with his mother and grandparents, since his father was on active duty abroad in the Royal Navy. On his father's return, the family moved to Bristol. Peter won a scholarship in 1938 to Colston's Hospital, a local direct grant grammar school. As a boarder he remained at Colston's until 1946 and supplemented some of what he always regarded as poor teaching at Colston's with attendance at some classes in Bristol Grammar School. He gained an exhibition at Jesus College, Cambridge, but was called up to do National Service in the Summer of 1946. Arriving at Jesus in 1948 to read History, he struck up a strong relationship with his mentor Charles Wilson who was an economic historian of some distinction and it was to that branch of the subject that he gravitated. He was elected to a Research Fellowship in Jesus in 1952.

In 1955 he was appointed to an Assistant Lectureship in the History Faculty and moved to a Fellowship at Queens'. He progressed eventually to a University Lectureship and by the time he left Queens' in 1968 Peter had established a very prominent position in his historical sub-discipline. At the College he served as a Tutor and later the Tutor for Graduate Students and was also a very successful Director of Studies in History. He was Senior Proctor of the University 1965-66. While he did not complete a PhD (he later acquired D.Litts. from both Oxford and Cambridge) after excelling in the History Tripos in 1951, he undertook a major research project that resulted in the publication of his very well received *The Brewing Industry in England 1700-1830*, published in 1959, revealing his skills as a business as well as economic historian since he mastered the multitude of papers in the possession of many longstanding brewing families that still dominated the industry at that date. Interests in business organization and evolution underwrote another highly significant contribution, focused on

the history of the many retailing companies that fell under the umbrella of Unilever which appeared as *Retailing Revolution* in 1967.

Ventures into business history did not deflect Peter from a central interest in the history of industrialisation in Britain which resulted in the publication of a highly influential text that, because of its lucidity, continues to be read widely by students, *The First Industrial Nation* (1967, new edition 1983). While at Queens' Peter developed a strong and enduring working relationship, which lasted for a further 25 years, with Michael Postan, then Professor of Economic History, and he became his assistant in the editing of the most influential international journal in his field, *The Economic History Review*. He also took on the role of informal secretary of the newly emerged International Economic History Association. Peter's subsequent career as one of the most internationally-orientated of economic historians through the enormous network of contacts that he had cultivated might be said to have started with that early collaboration.

In 1968 he left Queens' and Cambridge to take up the Chichele Chair of Economic History and the associated Fellowship of All Souls' College, Oxford. He was to hold that position until 1987. His time in Oxford was very productive. He was the editor of the distinguished multi-volume *Cambridge Economic History of Europe* which he brought to a successful conclusion and his interests branched out into new areas such as the history of taxation and medical and scientific history, always linked to issues that were central to the functioning of the economy. He was elected a Fellow of the British Academy in 1977 and was its Treasurer 1980-89. He was President of the International Economic History Association 1974-1978 and helped to found the *European Journal of Economic History*, was part of the Directorate of the International Institute of Economic History Francesco Datini, Prato, and was a visiting professor at innumerable universities in Asia, North America, Europe and Australia. One international link that was forged in this period was his association with Japan. He had supervised a number of Japanese graduate students in Oxford and his association was consolidated when he became the research supervisor of the Crown Prince of Japan who came to Oxford for two years in 1983. He was awarded a CBE in 1984.

In 1987 he returned to Cambridge on election to the Mastership of Downing College, a post he held until 1995. Peter had to accommodate himself to the sizeable shift from what was a wealthy College without students to one that was certainly not rich and with an active undergraduate community that was the focus of the College. His wife Ann rose to the challenge of creating the Lodge as a centre of entertainment and, as a keen gardener, she made notable contributions to the College's floral landscape. During his Mastership the Howard Building and Howard Court, as well as the striking Maitland Robinson Library were completed.

On retirement Peter continued to sustain a remarkable assemblage of international roles and interests. His links with Japan were developed as an international advisor to Keio University,

which had long-standing links with Downing. He was President of the Great Britain Sasakawa Foundation and for his considerable contributions to furthering Anglo-Japanese relations he was granted the Order of the Rising Sun with Gold Rays in 2003. He was head of the Advisory Board of the Central European University, part of the institution that George Soros had so generously endowed. Well into his eighties he continued to lecture on economic history at the Institute of Philosophical Studies in Naples and many of the lecture series that he delivered have been published in Italian.

Peter remained intellectually active until a very advanced age although life was in part blighted by severe mobility problems, exacerbated by the sudden death of his beloved wife Ann in January 2013. He continued to welcome visitors and nothing gave him more pleasure than getting and giving updates of the host of colleagues and associates with whom he had worked both in the UK and abroad.

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PROFESSOR RICHARD SMITH**

PROFESSOR GEOFFREY WILSON

FELLOW 1953-67

Professor Geoffrey Wilson, an undergraduate at Queens' and for 14 years a Fellow, died on 18 October 2015 aged 85. Geoffrey was brought up in Winchester, the son of a professional soldier. After National Service, he arrived at Queens' in 1949 to read Law. After stellar results in the Tripos and in the one-year postgraduate LLB, he was immediately elected a Research Fellow in 1953. Two years later he was offered a University Lectureship and became an Official Fellow, serving the College as a Tutor, as Praelector, and as Assistant Director and Director of Studies in Law. As a Tutor, he and his first wife, the art historian Juliet Wilson-Bareau, were famous for their hospitality, including memorable frisbee parties, at their home on Grantchester Meadows. His admission as a second Fellow in law to complement Arthur Armitage, signalled the College's intention to become a serious player in legal education. As Praelector he introduced the practice of formally presenting Fellows-Elect to the President and Society in Latin before their admission. He was also Keeper of Pictures and managed the scheme loaning art reproductions to students. He taught principally constitutional and administrative law. A year's sabbatical in 1961-62 on a Harkness Fellowship at Yale and

Berkeley had a profound influence. He came to admire both the Socratic method of teaching cases and the constitutional scholarship of his American colleagues. His first book, *Cases and Materials in Constitutional and Administrative Law* (C.U.P. 1966) profoundly impacted those disciplines, introducing in particular materials other than law reports into the determination of cases. This was followed by *Cases and Materials on the English Legal System* (1973). Whilst at Queens' he also qualified at the Bar and became a member of Gray's Inn.

In 1967 he was appointed the first Professor of Law at the new University of Warwick. Given the remit of founding and developing a new law faculty, he set a direction that made the Warwick Law School a pioneer in English legal education and scholarship. He had three years before any students arrived to appoint a team of like-minded colleagues and develop a new style of curriculum. His approach, broadly known today as "law in context", was to start the study of law with real political, economic and social problems and the way lawyers worked on them and also to emphasise foreign, European Community and international law to broaden the curriculum away from the 'insular' study of purely English law and legal doctrine. He was keen, however, to maintain the distinction between law and social science, though he was deeply influential on the development of socio-legal studies as his career progressed. His curriculum at Warwick not only had an international flavour but also incorporated subjects such as housing, planning, labour, taxation, family, welfare and consumer law, subjects not normally taught to undergraduates in more traditional establishments. Each colleague was given an area to teach and virtually given carte blanche to develop his or her own module. A number of lecturers were appointed from overseas. He inspired a collegiality and an intellectual excitement at the School which, to an extent, remain today.

He relinquished the Chairmanship of the Law School at Warwick in 1973, though remaining Professor of Law until his retirement in 1997. He concentrated on teaching and on the study of German law (he was a visiting Fellow of the University of Freiburg), leaving the politics and administration to others. In 1995 he edited *Frontiers of Legal Scholarship, Twenty-Five Years of the Warwick Law School* (1995), containing important articles from a variety of distinguished scholars whose thinking had been influenced by him and by his Department. In retirement he took up the study of Chinese law – his last book, edited with Mike McConville and intended primarily for a Chinese readership, was *The Handbook of the Criminal Justice Process* (2002).

Throughout his life he loved to search bric-a-brac and antique shops for bargains and his homes at Cambridge and then Leamington became filled with a treasure trove of everything from vinyl records to odd pieces of furniture to paintings, and of course many books. He retained a great affection for Queens' and for Cambridge and kept in touch with many colleagues and former pupils. In 2010 he wrote an account of his time at Queens' and the Fellowship in the 1950s for the *Record*. Later that year he suffered a debilitating stroke, the effects exacerbated by the death in 2011 of his second wife Marcia, who had done so much to care for him.

PROFESSOR JOHN BOSSY, F.B.A.

FELLOW 1959-62

John Bossy, an undergraduate and Research Fellow of Queens' and subsequently a distinguished History academic at the University of York, died on 23 October 2015 aged 82.

John Bossy was born in Edmonton in 1933 and, after a rather unhappy experience as an evacuee during the war in Hertfordshire, attended the Jesuit school, St Ignatius College, Stamford Hill. He came up to Queens' in 1951 to read History, graduating with a double first and a distinction in Part II in 1954. After two years of National Service he returned to the College as a research student studying the relation between Elizabethan Catholics and France and was awarded his PhD in 1961. Meanwhile he had been elected as a Research Fellow. On leaving Queens' in 1962, he was appointed to a Lectureship at Goldsmiths College, University of London, and moved on as a Reader to Queen's University, Belfast, in 1966. It is said that, as a Catholic, he arrived at the University a strong Republican, but left as a Unionist, believing the Protestant community in Northern Ireland to be misunderstood. His first book, *The English Catholic Community, 1570-1850* (1975) was considered a masterpiece and led to an invitation to the Institute of Advanced Studies in Princeton. In 1978 he was appointed to the chair of Early Modern History at the University of York, where he remained until retirement in 2000.

His research initially focussed on Catholicism in England in the later sixteenth century but he subsequently wrote more broadly on European Christianity from the late Middle Ages into the eighteenth century. He was one of a small group of scholars, particularly associated with the influential journal *Past and Present*, who brought German and French insights into the Anglophone world. John served on the editorial board of *Past and Present* from 1972 until 2003. A series of lectures at York on the history of Christianity, combined with a seminar on the sociology of religion and history at which colleagues felt they were learning as much as the students led eventually to his second great book, *Christianity in the West 1400-1700* (1985). The book was preceded by a succession of ground-breaking articles on the shift during the Reformation and Counter-Reformation from, as he saw it, Christianity conceived as a community of believers to a religion understood in terms of rival confessions of belief. In parallel with his scholarship he was a great 'team player' in the History Department at York, mentoring younger colleagues and unselfishly taking on the burden of Departmental administration.

His engagement with anthropology and social history led to another major work, *Disputes and Settlements: Law and Human Relations in the West* (1983). This book and *Peace in the Post-Reformation* (1998) were seen, especially in the United States and continental Europe as ground-breaking, and he became a revered figure among social historians. In 1993 he was elected a Fellow of the British Academy. In addition to his mainstream historical work, he wrote

many articles in *Encounter*, *The London Review of Books* and *The Times Literary Supplement* – he believed very much in writing well and devoted much care and attention to his literary output. He also wrote, but never published, poetry. Late in his career he wrote on the politics and espionage of the late Tudor period. His book *Giordano Bruno and the Embassy Affair* (1991) was not only recognised by the award of the Wolfson Foundation History Prize in 1991 but also by the Crime Writers' Association, who presented him with the Golden Dagger for non-fiction. He followed this book up with *Under the Molehill: An Elizabethan Spy Story* (2001).

John Bossy was a man of great personal warmth whose kindness, particularly to fellow scholars, was legendary.

THE REBURIAL OF KING RICHARD III

King Richard III, together with his wife, Queen Anne Neville, were undoubtedly the greatest benefactors of Queens' College until modern times. Richard started to endow the College with lands and rights when he was Duke of Gloucester, some years before he became king. In the event, of course, the College did not enjoy the main benefactions for long (they were 'resumed' by King Henry VII after the Battle of Bosworth) and the Queen had already died before the project for her name to be remembered in perpetuity through Queen Anne Fellowships even came to fruition. Nevertheless Queens' has always honoured the memory of Richard III at the annual Commemoration of Benefactors and through use of his personal Boar's Head badge.

In 2013 the Richard III Society instigated an archaeological dig to search for his remains and a skeleton was soon found in the first trench in the now famous municipal car park in Leicester. The skeleton was of a man with scoliosis – curvature of the spine – and with numerous serious traumatic injuries, suggesting death in battle. After extensive scientific evaluation, it is now accepted by most people that it is indeed that of King Richard III. The discovery was not serendipitous as has been claimed. The archaeologists knew fairly accurately where the choir of the Greyfriars church (the home of the Franciscan friars in Leicester until the dissolution of the monasteries) might be found. Contemporary accounts of the burial of the King there, after his naked body had been paraded from Bosworth tied to the back of a horse, survive.

The body had obviously been hastily buried without a coffin and the hands were in an odd position suggesting that the body's wrists had been tied together. We cannot say that this is definitely the body of the King but the circumstantial and scientific evidence is strong, strong enough to convince the University of Leicester's scientific team and the national authorities

and the church authorities such that permission was granted to rebury the bones as those of the King in Leicester Cathedral. The Cathedral authorities were inundated with requests to attend the reburial ceremony. They wisely decided to split the obsequies into three separate services – the admission of the coffin containing the bones into the Cathedral, a funeral service with the burial, and a memorial service – so that as many people as possible could participate. Tickets to these three services were allocated by ballot.

It seemed proper that a representative of Queens' attend one of these services and (happening to be in Leicester Cathedral for an ordination service) I was able to make my case to the Dean in person as well as by letter. Whether or not this plea fell on deaf ears we shall never know, but I duly received notification that I had been successful in obtaining a place in the Cathedral through the ballot for the first service – to receive the remains into the building where they were to 'lie in state' until the burial. In academic dress, and sporting a Queens' Boar's Head tie, I took my place in the cathedral nave – sadly behind a pillar, though a large TV was set up so I and those around me could watch the proceedings and ceremony. What struck me forcibly was the turnout from the people of Leicester as the cortege wound its way through the city. Tens of thousands lined the route as the coffin on an open carriage was drawn through the streets, accompanied, slightly incongruously, by two mounted policeman and two men dressed as medieval knights on horseback, as well as a steward in day-glow jacket and jeans who obviously felt it was his duty to walk alongside the coffin for at least half its televised route.

In the cathedral the coffin was received by the Dean and Bishop of Leicester and the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster (representing the Roman Catholic Church, in which faith Richard, of course, died). The present Duke of Gloucester, representing the Royal Family, as well as a group of descendants of prominent Peers who fought at the Battle of Bosworth followed the cortege. The coffin was placed at the west end of the main nave (and remained there throughout the service). A very dignified and well-thought-through service, based around the ancient rite of Compline, ensued, with music including traditional plainsong, an introit from the early sixteenth century and the modern anthem 'Take him earth for cherishing' by Herbert Howells, sung by members of the Leicester Cathedral Choir and the Leicester Cathedral Chamber Choir. The lesson from the Book of Revelation was read by the Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire. The Archbishop delivered a very suitable address. At the end everyone was free to pay their respects to the coffin, draped in a specially-commissioned pall with a crown and a copy of the Vulgate Bible upon it, and I did so, on behalf of Queens', which has remembered for 530 years his munificent benefaction, however ephemeral the benefit was in the life of the College.

JONATHAN HOLMES

THE STAFF

In March 2015 the College welcomed a new Deputy Head Gardener, Clare Watkinson, and also Ross Albon to join the gardens team. After 24 years of service to the College, latterly as Head of Catering and Conferences, Tim Shorey left Queens' and Andy Wilson has taken on that job. In the autumn, we were joined by Mark Fearn as Deputy Head of Maintenance and said farewell to Carol Bellamy in Housekeeping, who retired after almost 25 years of service.

Also in September and after 28 years at Queens', we said goodbye to Lorna Sargeant, the Admissions Coordinator. Susan Nowak is her successor. Then, at the beginning of October, Mairi Hurrell retired. Mairi will be remembered by most as the College Nurse but she has more recently been the Welfare Adviser; she has been at Queens' for 22 years in total and will be remembered with gratitude by countless members of the College and their families for her care and enormous dedication to her patients. During the year we also welcomed the new Welfare Team of Richard Geddis and Jennie Schiller and a new Deputy Head Porter, David Reynolds.

It is with sadness we have to report the death of Marina Rose West, former Bedmaker, who retired in 1999.

Congratulations to Sarah Childs (Maintenance), celebrating 25 years at Queens', Janis Cross (HR Manager) celebrating 20 years and Robbie Kneale (Tutorial Office) celebrating 10 years of service.

LORRAINE M LOFTUS

THE FABRIC

2014-15 was a very busy year in which, in summary, the following works were undertaken:

- Dokett Building was refurbished both internally and externally, with the installation of sanitation on every landing, secondary double-glazing, and a new tiled roof;
- Cripps Court staircases BB and FF were refurbished, en-suited, and secondary double-glazing was installed;
- Staircases AA, BB, FF rooms were renumbered following re-arrangements;
- At Owlstone Croft, a disused dining room attached to Block A was converted to six new en-suite bedrooms for graduates, one with enhanced accessibility;

- The hot water production system for Cripps Court was replaced by one with higher recovery capacity;
- In the Old Combination Room, a damaged panel of stained glass of the arms of Elizabeth Woodville was repaired;
- In Fisher Building, the hot-water circulation system was pressurised, and a hidden underground leak under W staircase arch was located and repaired;
- The kitchen in the President's Lodge was refurbished as all-electric with induction hobs;
- An underground medieval tunnel was discovered in Cloister Court;
- The mains electric supply to the east side of College was replaced by one fed from our substation by Fisher Building, with cables laid under Silver Street;
- In the Long Gallery, lightning protection was installed on a chimney stack and old electric cabling under the floors was replaced;
- A glass lobby and sliding doors were installed at the external entry to K staircase of the Erasmus Building;
- In the Erasmus Building, Fellow's set L1 was refurbished, with double-glazing and a new galley kitchen.

Works completed up to Easter 2016:

- At Owlstone Croft, the former nurses' training school building, otherwise known as Block D, was converted, on the ground floor, to a new College Nursery, enabling the Nursery to expand numbers and leave the accommodation it has been using in Lyon Court on the main site. At first floor level, five new en-suite bedrooms for graduates were created, with a shared kitchen and living room.
- Also at Owlstone Croft, landscaping work was undertaken, including preparation for new bicycle sheds.
- In the Chapel, an induction loop for hearing aids was installed.
- In the Old Library, the gas-based fire extinguisher system required complete replacement in order to change to a different gas, less harmful to the ozone layer.
- The changing rooms and showers in the squash court building in Lyon Court were refurbished.

- The glazed screens forming large windows to Fellows' flats on the third floor of AA and BB staircases were replaced with double-glazed units.
- As the final part of the Dokett Building refurbishment, the Dokett Gate (on Queens' Lane between Dokett Building and the Old Music Room at the east end of Chapel), was replaced with a new automated gate with provision for access by the disabled.
- The mains electricity distribution panels and cables were replaced and brought up to modern safety standards on AA staircase, and in Essex Building.
- In the early hours of 27 January 2016, a section of river wall opposite Essex Building and adjacent to the Mathematical Bridge collapsed. Later inspection by divers revealed that the foundations of most of the wall from Silver Street to the Mathematical Bridge had been under-scoured by the river. Some short-term works were undertaken to keep the river safe for use by the public, while more permanent repairs are scheduled for the summer and autumn of 2016.

ROBIN WALKER

THE GARDENS

This last year in the College's gardens has been one of quiet maintenance, apart from the wall along the river bank, between the Mathematical Bridge and Silver Street, toppling into the river. The new gardens in the Round were inevitably disturbed (one section fell into the River) and the repair of the wall will necessarily disrupt the area further. The donation by **Keith Armistead (1958)** of a large handsome bench has much enhanced the Round.

The lawn in front of Friars' building has recovered nicely after being used as a builders' yard during the nearby re-roofing, etc. Otherwise, our hard-working staff have been improving the beds and our lawns, which are in their usual wonderful condition. The trees in the Grove, particularly our huge elms, have survived this last winter's high winds. We suspect they are by now the tallest elms in the U.K. and would be delighted if someone actually measured their heights. Our gardeners are warmly thanked for their enthusiasm and hard work.

ALLAN HAYHURST

THE CHAPEL

The Chapel has had a good and eventful four terms. The major change is the playing out of the clerical change reported in the last publication. **The Revd Dr Jonathan Holmes** retired after a long period of service and giving of his ministry (stretching over 30 year) and was replaced by **the Revd Tim Harling**. The structure and prayer life of the Chapel continues in its daily offering although there has been change in some of the content. There is a new structure of daily prayer that enables students, wherever they are, to join together under common texts, scriptures and prayers every morning and evening. As a way of increasing the healthy interactions for students with parishes the main Communion service has been moved from Sunday morning. After polling students, the most convenient time came out as Tuesday evenings. This is the pattern we have established, providing a praying centre to our weekly lives. The Choir continues to flourish with a variety of Choral services on Wednesday evenings including regular Evensong, special baroque Consort Evensong, Sung Catholic Mass once a term and services that reflect the liturgical seasons. One very sad loss to our Chapel and Choir community was that of **Dr Silas Wollston**. After the end of funding for the Director of Music role, Silas has moved on and is sorely missed. Both Organ Scholars (**Edward Reeve**, Senior, and **Jack Spencer**, Junior) have stepped up to the plate and have the advice and assistance of **Ralph Allwood** (Fellow Commoner), ensuring the music element of the Chapel continues to be creative, innovative and of a great standard.

One service that continues with only minor liturgical tweaks is Sunday Evensong. We have enjoyed a range of speakers from varied backgrounds, bringing their talents and experiences to the College. From Lent Term 2015 we welcomed the Revd Chris Rose (CEO Amos Trust), Jackie Wiegman (Chaplain HMP Peterborough) and heard from our Ordinand Mr Dwayne Engh (Westcott House) and our Reader, Mr Roger France. In the Easter Term 2015 **Mr Rowan Kitt** (Queens' Development Director) spoke at the Commemoration of Benefactors service, and the Revd David Stroud (Senior Chaplain at Canterbury University), Mr John Hicks (life skills coach) and the Revd James Mustard (Vicar of East Barnet) also preached. The Michaelmas Term 2015 saw Mr Will Zong (St Andrew's the Great, Cambridge), Fr Robert Mackley (Vicar, Little St Mary's), Monsignor Hugh Bradley (Catholic Bishop's Conference, Scotland) and the Revd Andrew Brown (Minister of Cambridge Unitarian Church) preach. In Lent 2016 we heard from Mr Max Bayliss (Westcott Ordinand), Canon Michael Rawson (Sub-Dean of Southwark Cathedral), **Mr Malcolm Miller** (Cambridge Community Church), Fr Max Kramer (Curate of Little St Mary's), **Dr Charlie Bell** (Lay Chair of Cambridge South Deanery), Mr Ed Walker (Director of Hope into Action) and the Revd John Canessa (Pioneer Minister to support the homeless in Cambridge). Amongst all the regular services the Chaplain has preached at College services including Remembrance Sunday, Christmas and Easter services. The Chapel has also continued to run very successful and popular Matriculation and Graduation services.

A choir initiative that has been very popular has been the putting on of special concerts reflecting a theme or season within the year, most notably an All Souls concert, Advent music and a celebration of Stanford's music.

The weekly structure of morning and evening prayer has been supported by the prayer groups of the Christian Union and the Rosary Group weekly. We have had some extra and special services through the year including Evensongs sung jointly with the London Youth Choir in Lent 2015, the Choir of Mannerstrimmen, Basel, at Easter 2015, Emmanuel College Choir in Michaelmas 2015, and Cheltenham College Chapel Choir in Lent 2016. The Chapel has also been well supported by the Queens' Graduate Choir, often augmented by the Graduate students from Darwin College.

The Chapel committee and the Chaplain would like especially to thank Jonathan Holmes for his continued support of the Chapel in his retirement. He has taken services, preached and prayed which helps us maintain our presence of prayer and devotion at the heart of the College. Special thanks should also be paid to our two Sacristan's Dr Bell and Mr Patterson both of whom have helped greatly in the smooth running of the Chapel and its ministry and to Max Bayliss this year's ordinand attached to us from Westcott House.

During the year the Chapel has also been busy with the Pastoral Services of the Church. We have celebrated 14 weddings and 5 Baptisms at Queens'. We also held a very important, beautiful and moving Service of Thanksgiving for the life of **Professor Ajit Singh**. We pray for the repose of his soul and for all those who have died this year, whilst remembering their families in our prayers. Requiem æternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis. Requiescant in pace. Amen.

THE REVD TIM HARLING, CHAPLAIN

THE LIBRARIES

THE WAR MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The purpose of a modern college library can never simply be to look after physical collections, essential though that is. Increasingly, a whole range of educational and technological developments require our library team members to take on a more multi-dimensional and educative role. Despite considerable challenges posed by our extreme lack of space and growing student numbers, we are proud of the progress we are making to establish an up to date service that places the library at the intellectual heart of the college.

One very positive step forward, for which we are most grateful to the college, has been the

appointment of a library graduate trainee, whose arrival in September increased the number of staff in the Library to four. The purpose of this annually renewed appointment is to assist us in a range of essential WML and Old Library tasks and thereby enable us to enhance levels of service. The post holder is given experience and training necessary to proceed to study for a library degree. Our first appointment to this post was Lindsey Askin who, since September 2012, had already made a significant contribution to the Library as a volunteer (whilst studying for a PhD in Divinity). During her first term as a graduate trainee she assisted with day to day tasks (shelving, cataloguing, answering enquiries) and social media promotion and also helped to curate an Old Library exhibition. One of our principal aspirations for the post is that it will enable us to make the Library seem more approachable and welcoming to students.

For all the very real importance of web resources, printed books remain essential to college teaching. We are keen therefore to have a book collection that fully supports undergraduates in all subjects taught at Queens' and we are happy to report that significant progress has been made in this regard over the past year. We continue to work closely with academic staff to develop collections that are up to date, cost effective and, most importantly, reflective of student needs. We are particularly pleased at the interest in the Library shown by students, who increasingly provide us with useful advice in the form of book suggestions and recommendations as to which areas of individual subjects need most attention. Books have been acquired in virtually all subjects, including some that had received relative neglect in recent years, such as Art, Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, Education, and Theological and Religious Studies. We are immensely grateful to donors to the College's Adopt a Book Fund which is currently providing the additional finance to make this enhancement of our collections possible.

The issue of space is of course always a concern in our beautiful, but small Library. Although the library shelves are now virtually full with little scope for weeding, we hope that some temporary respite might be achieved through the addition of some extra shelving, which we expect to be installed next year on the second floor. Nevertheless, as an academic necessity for teaching and learning, the Library needs more space for books and readers. The Library has fifty reader spaces for an overall student population of nearly 1,100, half of whom are graduates. This lack of reader spaces is compounded by the increased usage the Library is receiving from graduates. As the College seeks to enhance its graduate provision we are keen that the Library should play its part in catering for graduate needs. Although in terms of books we can only ever expect to support some of the taught MPhil courses, the Library as a space nevertheless helps to provide a much needed sense of community to graduates of the College, which is why increasing numbers use it. We hope the College will be able to address the Library's lack of space very seriously and very soon.

We continue to expand our programme of student information skills each year. As usual we offered inductions to undergraduates and graduates in Freshers' Week for which

we were ably assisted by the new graduate trainee. In addition, we offered introductory graduate sessions in research skills, University Library induction tours for Queens' students, and further subject-specific sessions at various points in the year for undergraduates, all of which were well attended and received. The need for students to receive assistance in Information Literacy will only grow as an ever increasing and diverse array of information-related web resources becomes available. By assisting students to realise the benefits and negotiate the challenges posed by the new digital information environment we seek to provide a comprehensive information service. Our role as an enquiry service has greatly benefited from the newly redesigned and refitted entrance area that was installed last year. With a proper enquiry desk students are encouraged to make use of Library staff and draw on their expertise.

The acquisition last year of six new Click Netherfield display cases for the Old Library has enabled us to move the Click Netherfield case we already had in the Old Library into the WML. This most welcome development has had the huge benefit of allowing us to mount small displays of Old Library materials in a place where students can more easily see them. Our graduate trainee has over the past year curated a series of displays, one of which was of particular interest as it contained items from a newly acquired collection relating to Queens' alumnus T.H. White. This comprised letters, books and other archival material formerly owned by White's friend and associate, the architect Raymond McGrath (who incidentally was responsible for the interior decoration of the Caius house, 'Finella').

Finally we are most grateful for the donation of two fine collections, one of art books from Ronald Gray, the other of poetry books from Mark Cohen, together with further items from Fellows, alumni and others, including A. Arlidge, Capriol Society of Early Dance, R. Clements, L. Frieden, J.K. Hale, A. Hussain, N.T. James, L. Ostrom, I. Patterson, L. Russell, J. Simpson, J. Thompson Rowling, A. Zurcher.

THE OLD LIBRARY

The arrival of the aforementioned display cases last year and the employment of the new graduate trainee have greatly enhanced our ability to mount successful and interesting public exhibitions that show off our collections to best effect. The year began with an exhibition of items from the vast collection bequeathed to the College by the great cleric, natural philosopher and Queens' President Isaac Milner (1750-1820). Entitled 'Isaac Milner and the Enlightenment of late Georgian Queens', the exhibition opened with a well-attended reception and most entertaining talk given by the renowned Cambridge historian of science, Professor Simon Schaffer. A further exhibition was held at the end of November, devoted to the College's medieval manuscripts, entitled 'The Art of Learning and Devotion: An Exhibition of Medieval Manuscripts in Queens'. This too was preceded by a reception and

fascinating talk given Dr Stella Panayotova, Keeper of Manuscripts and Printed Books at the Fitzwilliam Museum. Both exhibitions proved hugely successful, with considerable interest shown by students, academics and the public. We hope that by establishing an annual pattern of exhibitions we will help to raise the profile of the Old Library, especially amongst scholars working in areas covered by it. For those that did not manage to see them, both exhibitions are now online and easily viewable via our Facebook site. We continue to have our termly open week when students can come and enjoy the Old Library.

Once again the Old Library has seen extensive activity in terms of school visits, student seminars and workshops. Earlier in the year we had two visits from St Alban's Primary School, Cambridge: Year 1 came to a 'Fantastic Voyages' workshop and Year 2 attended a session on Shakespeare's *The Tempest* (for this they found out about and examined the kinds of books Shakespeare might have consulted to write his play, and then each child made their own quarto edition of *The Tempest*). Later in the year we had had a hugely successful visit of sixty children (!) from Mayfield Primary School who came to find out about Tudor history and Queens'. We hope that events such as these realise the Library's potential as a means to educate and provide interest to young people of all levels as well as to contribute to the College's programme of outreach. Another of our primary concerns is of course Queens' students for whom we provided four book history workshops (all of which were fully subscribed) and individual sessions for first years studying History and MML. In addition to that, we had the usual visits from researchers and societies, including the Cambridge Publishing Society, Mill Road Cemetery Society, and the Guild of Cambridge Benefactors. Once again, we opened our doors during Cambridge Science Festival and Open Cambridge during which we received over 180 visitors.

One of our biggest challenges remains that, despite its importance as an internationally important collection of early printed books, Queens' Old Library is not yet properly catalogued. Published in 1827, the most recent Old Library catalogue is inaccurate, out of date, and utterly inadequate for the purposes of modern scholarship. In particular, it does not include those copy specific details (annotations, bindings, signs of ownership, etc.) that nowadays constitute a principal attraction of a collection such as ours. We are pleased therefore to be able to report that in October we discovered that we had been successful in our application to the Heritage Lottery Fund for £65,800 to appoint a cataloguer for two years to finally begin the process of cataloguing our earliest and most interesting books. This is of course only a beginning as there are around 30,000 books in the Old Library and we expect the new staff member to be able to catalogue only 5,000 or so of those in the space of two years. Nevertheless, we hope this initial success might enable us to achieve further success in applying for money in the future, not just for cataloguing, but also for digitisation. In accordance with HLF requirements the project will include a public outreach programme of school visits, public workshops, public exhibitions and events. We anticipate that the outreach work will be undertaken by library staff together with volunteers.

Finally, in August we celebrated the return of the College's enormous 'Oriental Studies' collection, once the Kennett Memorial Library, also called in the past the Oriental Library. The collection had been assembled in 1935 and housed on the top floor of the WML until 1972 when it was transferred on permanent loan to the Faculty of Asian and Middle Eastern Studies (the Faculty of Oriental Studies until 2004). Having been on loan to them for forty-three years, the Faculty decided that they no longer had space for the collection. With many of the books having been formerly part of Queens' Old Library itself, Queens' Library Committee had in any case been seeking the return of the oldest and most interesting books. The collection as a whole reflects the college's once-leading reputation in Hebrew, Arabic, and Syriac studies, comprising books previously owned by important scholars, Fellows and Presidents of Queens' such as the Cambridge Platonist, John Smith (1618-1652), Isaac Milner, and Queens' Orientalists such as George Phillips (President from 1857 to 1892), R.H. Kennett, William Wright, Samuel Lee, A.A. Bevan. Sadly the collection is too big for us to accommodate in its entirety (about 2,600 volumes) but we have retained those parts that are integral to our Old Library collection together with other discrete units that seem relevant to the Library's existing collections (1,300 volumes). We are currently seeking a good home for those we cannot keep. To find out more and see pictures please see Lindsey Askin's entry on the Queens' Old Library Blog.

DR TIM EGGINTON

ADMISSIONS

2015 was a busy year for the Admissions Office. In September, Lorna Sargeant retired after many years of faithful service to the college, initially in the Catering Department but then as Admissions Coordinator. We reflected on the fact that when Lorna joined, e-mail was virtually unknown, letters had to be typed and decisions entered on blue cards for processing by a central link to the UCAS computer. Lorna worked with four Senior Tutors and seven Admissions Tutors and accumulated a considerable fount of admissions-related wisdom that proved invaluable to those with whom she worked. Her replacement, Susan Nowak, had to cope with the largest number of applicants that Queens' has ever had. We received 931 applicants in the last round with considerable increases in subjects such as Computer Science and HSPS. Susan's previous experience in working for the Cambridge Admissions Office was of considerable help in managing this large field and we had a busy few weeks in December interviewing. Our Schools Liaison Officer, Maria McElroy, has also been busy visiting schools and welcoming groups to Queens'. The Admissions Office is always willing to talk to parents, teachers and prospective applicants about all aspects of the admissions process: please feel free to e-mail us (admissions@queens.cam.ac.uk) or find us on social media.

THE SPORTING RECORD

CAPTAINS OF THE CLUBS

Athletics: Eleanor Duck
Badminton (Men's): Faiyaz Islam
Badminton (Women's): Jamie Ho
Badminton (MCR): Wenda Li
Basketball: Cormac O'Neill
Boat Club (President): Alex Sharrad
Boat Club (Men's): George Cameron
Boat Club (Women's): Laura Dearman/Georgie Holmes
Chess: Will Boulton
Cricket: Josh Fossey
Cricket (MCR): Edward Barsley
Football (Men's): Ben Farrar
Football (Women's): Zlatina Dobрева
Football (MCR): Tom Crawford
Hockey (Men's): Anand Patel
Hockey (Women's): Jess Maton
Netball (Women's): Amelia Williamson
Netball (Mixed): Adam Bennett
Penguins Ultimate: Theo Pigott
Pool: Richard Hindmarsh
Rugby (Men's): Will Fenby
Rugby (Women's): Charlotte Harrop
Skiing & Snowboarding: Jamie Banks
Squash (MCR Women's): Lydia Prieg
Table Tennis: Nick Hope
Tennis: Alastair Langtry
Water Polo: Ryosuke Yamada

REPORTS FROM THE SPORTS CLUBS

ATHLETICS

Whilst the Queens' College Athletics Club may not have the numbers to compete with other college teams, its members have achieved individual and University-level success this year.

The 151st Varsity Match in May 2015 saw a resounding 4-0 home victory to the Light Blues. Queens' athlete **Eleanor Duck** achieved the Blues standard and victory in the Women's 100m Hurdles, and was selected to compete in the Harvard-Yale Match which resulted in a well-deserved win for the American athletes.

The 2015-16 academic year saw a welcome influx of freshers keen to demonstrate their athletic prowess at Cuppers. Newcomers **Sachin Hoyle** (High Jump, 110m Hurdles), **Ellie Lane** (Javelin), **Caroline Hilley** (100m/400m Hurdles) and **Max Kraan** (200m) bolstered the team to a far better placing than last year. On this occasion the female athletes led the way, with Duck and Lane achieving first place in the 100m and 200m Hurdles, and in Javelin respectively. Following on from these results Hoyle, Lane and Hilley competed at the Freshers Varsity Match. Hilley made a particular impression in this competition, demonstrating all round ability to win both the 400m and 100m Hurdles.

Queens' athletes once again stepped up to compete for 1st and 2nd teams at the 2016 Varsity Field Events and Relays. Hilley led Duck in the 60m Hurdles for a Light Blue 1-2 and, in doing so, broke the match record with a time of 9.08 seconds - which was not beaten by any of the male hurdlers. Whilst the women's hurdles squad were unlucky to lose out to Oxford with a cumulative time greater by just 0.1 seconds, both Duck and Hilley achieved relay victories in the 4x100m and 4x400m respectively. In the latter case, Hilley broke her second match record of the day, as the quartet stormed home in 3:58.38. Lane was furthest Cambridge javelin thrower and Hoyle also participated in the hurdles and winning high jump teams.

Results so far this year indicate a competitive 152nd Varsity Match in May, with several Queens' athletes likely to represent the University. A special mention must go to Caroline Hilley, who in her first outdoor competition of the year achieved Blues times in both the 100m and 400m Hurdles. She may yet go on to challenge the 35 year old club record for 100m Hurdles set by Queens' alumna **Amma Kyei-Mensah (1980)**.

BADMINTON

The past year has been a wonderful time to be a part of the Queens' Badminton Club, in terms both of competitive success and also increased involvement of players of all skill levels with the Club. The Club continues to grow into one of the most prominent sporting societies at Queens'. The Queens' Men's I team moved into Division 2 (out of 9 divisions)

and have maintained this solid position throughout the year. We narrowly missed out on promotion into Division 1, the peak of the badminton pyramid at Cambridge. In Cuppers (the annual knockout tournament), Queens' I had a storming run into the semi-finals at which we unfortunately lost out to Jesus I, currently the strongest team in the league. However, if the team continues to grow as it has this past year, we can look forward to going even further next time. We are looking to push into Division 1 and join our Queens' MCR counterparts, which would make Queens' the only college to have two teams in the top division and thus cementing our position as one of the strongest badminton colleges.

Throughout 2015, the Women's Team continued to perform consistently well in Division 1 of the Inter-College League, coming in an impressive second in the Lent Term. However, Cuppers proved to be a challenge, and we were eliminated in the first round. The summer saw the departure of many experienced players from the Team, but several new teammates emerged in October. With the reformed team, we faced many adversities, losing to Anglia Ruskin University, Jesus, Murray Edwards and Emmanuel Colleges successively at the beginning of term. However, the Team continued on unfazed, and eventually defeated three other colleges in the last few weeks. We secured our place in Division 1, coming in sixth, but not without sweat and tears. In Lent, we continued with our best effort, climbing to fourth in the League. The Cuppers competition in the Lent Term of 2016 was held in the Fitzpatrick Hall, against Emmanuel College. Our first pair snatched an early win in the competition, but our second and third pairs narrowly lost, thus we were eliminated in the first round for the second year in a row. Hopefully next year, the Badminton Team will see more talented Freshers join, and have better luck in Cuppers!

MCR BADMINTON

2015 has been a marvellous year for the Queens' MCR Team. After being promoted into Division Two after Lent 14/15, we were luckily refreshed with new blood such as **Sachin Hoyle**. With the help of those new players, the team won every single game in Division Two, and secured a place in Division One for the first time since the team's foundation! In Lent Term 2016, we competed well and managed to stay in this fiercest of divisions. What makes things more interesting is that the MCR team, which is coded as Queens' III in the league, is currently ranked higher than Queens' I (the undergraduate team), which has baffled many other captains as they considered Queens' I should be a stronger team.

BOAT CLUB

In the Lent Term 2015 the first Men's Boat were successful in the head races – winning pots at Winter Head to Head and outside of Cambridge at the Bedford Head in the IM3 division

against several other competitive colleges. In the Lent Bumps, M1 bumped LMBC on Friday and Pembroke on Saturday to move up two to 4th on the river overall. M2 finished the 6th highest Second VIII and remained in the Second Division above several first Vllls. The squad had two CUBC returners for the May Bumps.. M1 bumped St Catharine's on Wednesday and did well thereafter to keep away from Clare's bows for the third year in a row. M2 stayed in the Second Division but were bumped by Corpus Christi and Pembroke II. M4 were the best performing crew with an impressive overbump on the Thursday, moving up three places overall.

In the Michaelmas Term 2015 our crews were strengthened by several schoolboy rowers and an intake of 5 boats of novices. We managed to get an M1 and M2 crew out regularly and both made massive improvements over the term. M1 won pots at Winter Head and were unfortunate not to beat Downing in Fairbairns, coming through as the second best placed Cambridge crew in those races. For the Lent Term 2016 the men's squad was strengthened by the return of Rob Jeffrey to coaching. Four men's crews were able to qualify for Lent Bumps. M1 had a disappointing campaign, moving down 3 overall and finishing 7th on the river, but the other crews had more success – M2 moved up one and M3 up three.

The women of QCBC began 2015 with a strong side; plenty of senior rowers returned having taken Michaelmas off, meaning we had depth and experience across the whole squad. Despite having a handful of talented novices in the crew, W1 charged up the Bumps charts ending up three under the watchful captaincy of Rachel Salter, with W2 achieving the same result. W1 continued the trend of success with a strong performance at WeHor in March. Sadly the Easter Term did not bring the same level of success. Although they had a strong crew, W2 were in a difficult position and held station, whilst W3 saved themselves from spoons on the Saturday with a row-over. W1 sadly weren't able to do the same, falling to strong crews from Christ's, Girton, Pembroke and Churchill; a result which didn't reflect the work put in by the girls throughout term. We were also unable to go to Henley owing to scheduling problems, which was a shame.

Michaelmas 2015 was a daunting prospect as many of our strongest and most experienced rowers had graduated, and those still at Cambridge took time off to focus on work. The then captain, **Laura Dearman**, was keen to get an eight out for Fairbairns, however the lack of experienced rowers made this difficult, especially given that a number of experienced rowers were out of action owing to injury. Going into Lent 2016 we were left with a grand total of 5 senior rowers, meaning once again that a few lucky novices won places in the W1 crew. Despite our best efforts, however, spoons were once again on the cards as the crews behind had remained virtually unchanged from 2015, whereas we had lost our strongest athletes.

However, May 2016 promises a more successful Bumps campaign - with a new coach, a change in captaincy due to academic issues and several experienced rowers returning for the summer term making W1 the strongest it's been all year.

CHESS

Having won the chess coppers league last year, Queens' College Chess Club were keen to repeat their glorious victory over their dastardly rivals Churchill. As things currently stand there is still all to play for! With 3 games in hand Queens' only need 5 more points to beat their closest opposition Emmanuel. The first game (against Emmanuel) went off to a shaky start - special guest **Lorenzo Venturini** was dispatched after putting up a tough defence against all the odds. However after another hour things had swung back in Queens' favour and we were up 2 ½ to 1 ½. The final nail in the coffin came when **Daniel Fernandez** (our reigning IM) fought a tricky endgame - traversing his opponent's pawn formation like Hannibal through the Alps.

No doubt the big game everyone is keen to see will be the long awaited match between the **Weller** brothers Jean-Luc and **Pierre**. This titanic clash of giants (which last year fizzled out to a draw) is nervously anticipated by all and is perhaps the biggest sibling rivalry since Cain and Abel.

Special commendation should go to **Daniel Heydecker, Pierre Weller** and **Alex Hardwick** who have worked tirelessly to aid the chess club wherever possible. Outside of the Society the big news for Queens' chess is that our two Varsity players Daniel Fernandez and **Greg Young** both won their Varsity matches - meaning that Cambridge beat Oxford this year. The games can be found online (type in Oxford vs Cambridge Chess Varsity) for those interested to see some high quality chess played by two Queens' international/FIDE master standard players.

CRICKET

For Coppers 2015, QCCC were drawn in a three team group alongside Girton 1sts and Churchill. Our campaign began away to Girton, who as the seeded team were the favourites to win the group and progress to the quarter-finals. After the long taxi journey, Queens' fielded first. What followed was arguably one of the best bowling and fielding displays by a Queens' team for a long while, at least in the memory of the senior players present. Girton, including at least two University level batsmen, were bowled out for 99 on the last ball of the 20th over. **Hari Patel**, one of our freshmen, took 4-14 including a hat-trick of the No. 3, 4 and 5 batsmen. In reply, Queens' needed 6 to win off the last over, and got there with 3 balls to spare thanks to a six from **Akhilesh Mulay**, who finished 59 not out. Queens' were now on the brink of a quarter-final place. The match against Churchill, having already been postponed once owing to rain, was played on a cold and wet mid-week evening. Queens' bowled first, and hampered by a wet ball, produced a poor performance, way below the standards set in the Girton game. Churchill closed with a large total that would require

excellent batting to reach. Unfortunately, without the run chase hero of the previous match, the batting line-up was not up to the task, and Queens' fell well short in the end. Girton then went on to beat Churchill by a large margin, meaning Queens' had missed out of the quarter-finals on net run rate having tripped up on what should have been the easier task. QCCC was left to wonder what might have been and hope that the chance can be taken in 2016. Later in the Easter Term, QCCC hosted the traditional match against the Artists Cricketers touring team. This was very much enjoyed by both teams, with Queens' coming out on top this year.

MCR CRICKET

Queens' MCR Cricket team is proud to remain one of the few remaining MCR teams that has not had to combine with another college to make up numbers. As a result we have an eclectic range of skills, backgrounds and batting techniques. Nevertheless 2015 was a strong season for the team and one in which we made it to the semi-finals of the MCR League. The journey to the semi saw us beating the Wolf-Tits (Wolfson & Trinity Hall) (chasing down 163 to win with 6 balls remaining), losing to Jesus (we hit 164 from 20 overs chasing 205 to win) and enduring two rained off games against Pembroke and Churchill (one of which saw club President **Tim Cannings** hit a faultless 54 not out). With the league deadline to complete matches exceeded due to bad weather the captains settled with a draw, and this was enough to take us through to face the Jorphedo's (St Johns, St Edmunds, Corpus) in the semi. **Alex Hunt**, our cricketing Blue, was available to play and proved his class with both the bat and ball. The game came down to the final over and the Jorphedo's South African ringer from Homerton took them over the line. Jorphedo's went on to win the league and we look forward to facing them again in the 2016 season with what looks already (having recently beaten the JCR in an early season friendly) to be a very strong Queens' MCR team.

One of the highlights of the summer was a match against Kentish team Matfield Cricket Club on Parkers Piece. Matfield was the village in which Siegfried Sassoon lived and wrote of in 'The Flower Shown Match' and the village cricket team used to have 'Deadly' Derek Underwood playing for them (in his later years of course!). Queens' unfortunately lost the match on Parkers Piece after enduring some heavy rain and rapid Sri Lankan pace bowling but it was a great occasion and now a regular fixture in the college calendar.

FOOTBALL

Queens' have truly asserted themselves as the best footballing college in Cambridge over the last year. The 2014/15 season saw promotions for all three teams, with the 1st XI now playing in the Premier League, 2nd XI in the 1st Division (being the highest placed 2nd team in Cambridge), and 3rd XI in Division 6.

The 2015/16 season saw Queens' win silverware all over the place. The 1st XI dominated the Premier League, winning it having only lost one match all season. **Mark Jerjian's** 2nd XI survived in Division 1, a tremendous achievement given all other teams in that league are college 1st teams. The 2s won the Shield, beating Jesus College 2nds 6-1 in the final. Finally the 3rd XI, captained by **Danny Jackson**, secured back to back promotions by winning Division 6 in style, including a 21-3 win over Trinity 3rds. The 3rds also won their cup competition, beating Jesus 3rds 1-0 in the Vase final. In short: Premier League winners, 2 cups and 1 more title. The target for the 2016/17 campaign is to defend the Premier League title, and win Cuppers.

As the tales of our winning combination of success and fun spread throughout Queens', QCWFC was inundated with new signings. Not only did this place us as the most popular women's sport in college – something extraordinary for a team that was non-existent only 3 years ago – we also remain the only sports team to play with members of the JCR, MCR, & SCR combined.

With last year's coach selling his soul to accountancy, the team's management situation looked bleak - who would lead QCWFC to glory? **Sam Dixon** took up the mantle, introducing mid-week training and an eclectic variety of new stretches.

With new players and management, our future was uncertain but after a strong 4-0 win to start the season, we knew 2015-16 was going to be a good season but what unfolded surpassed our wildest dreams. After an unfortunate post-bop match, a Cuppers victory was no longer in our sights but we channelled all our efforts and enthusiasm into the league. The Club was led by our infamous Bulgarian captain **Zlatina Dobрева**, whose reputation has struck fear into all football clubs within the 3-mile radius of Great St. Mary's. As each week came, we grew in confidence and strength as a team; long gone were the days of the ball rolling slowly through goalkeeper **Lizzie Popli's** legs, she had become a bandana-clad, goal-saving machine. That is when the ball managed to get past the notorious brick wall of **Lizzie Carr** and **Dr Julia Gog** in central defence, with the 'most improved player' **Kat Hart** on the right and **Tillie Lloyd-Thomas's** lightning-fast pace on the left, defence was solid and formidable. The talents of **Clemmie Elwes** and Zlatina Dobрева were joined by freshers' **Rosie Mellor**, **Katie Woods**, and **Sophie Sterne**. Our star striker and JCR President **Jess Tray's** unstoppable free kicks and speciality long-range goals, supported by right-hand woman **Celia Hart**, scored countless goals. After a fantastic season, Queens' were promoted to the next division and were forced to look further afield for some real competition. In the Michaelmas Term, our sister college Pembroke, Oxford, challenged us. Known as one of the sportiest Oxford colleges, even they posed no real challenge. With a slow start we were 1-0 down, however, we upped our game defeating our rivals 3-2. The Lent Term featured the annual Birds v Turds match, at which, for the second year running, we defeated the Queens' Men's Thirds. Up next was the Battle of the Apostrophe's - The Queen's College, Oxford.

After the tensest and most closely fought match Barton Road has ever seen, it was down to penalties, but we scored and saved our way to victory, and now the Bearing Bowl is residing proudly in QBar as a symbol of a glorious season for QCWFC.

We are hoping to hold our first Alumni Match next academic year - please contact 2016-17 Captain Lizzie Carr (efjc2@cam.ac.uk) if interested.

MCR FOOTBALL

2015 saw a return to the dominating Queens' MCR football teams of old, with back to back league titles secured in style.

The team began 2015 sitting on top of the league with three games left to play. Two routine victories left the league campaign resting on a winner-takes-all match away to the previous season's Cup winners, Churchill. A frantic opening to the match saw heavy tackles flying in across the pitch with both teams clearly intent on seizing the opportunity to win the coveted league trophy. It was one of these over enthusiastic tackles on newcomer **John Butterfield** that led to the opening goal. Player of the year and set piece specialist **Matt Sanders** positioned the ball ready to take the kick, but captain **Thomas Crawford** had other ideas... rank was pulled and Crawford perfectly dispatched the ball into the top corner of the Churchill goal to open the scoring and secure himself goal of the season in the process. Churchill never really recovered and a brave header from **Adam Brown** on the stroke of half time led the team onwards towards a comfortable 4-1 victory. The league trophy had been returned to its rightful place and attention now turned to the Cup.

A comfortable passage through to the group stage saw Queens' paired against last season's league champions, St Edmund's. The disappointment of losing the league last year could still be felt and the team made sure not to make the same mistakes as they were dispatched 2-0. The semi-final saw one of the best performances of the season as Queens' steamrolled Trinity Hall 6-2 to reach the final and secure a meeting with our old nemesis, Cambridge Assessment. Unfortunately, a six week break before the final did not help the team as Queens' surrendered 5-2 - a disappointing end to an otherwise brilliant campaign.

The new season began in October with several new additions to the already excellent squad, ensuring that Queens' would once again be a force to be reckoned with. All opposition was blown away as the team completed the perfect season with 8 wins from 8 and a goal difference of plus 31. The excellent form continued in the Cup with 5 consecutive wins leading the team to the final once again, where an unexpected opponent awaits in the form of Hughes Hall. Queens' remain one victory away from the perfect season and this time will be sure not to disappoint.

HOCKEY

The Queens' College Hockey Club has gone from strength to strength over the last four months, having experienced something of a great revival, starting from October 2014. In the 2014/15 season, the Men's Team, captained by **Oliver Albert**, found themselves in Division 2 with high hopes of promotion following a strong influx of fresher talent. In the first term, though we were undefeated, one too many draws meant that we finished 2nd in the league. However, coming back from the Christmas Vacation, the team found new drive and determination, leading us to win Division 2 and earn promotion to the top flight of college hockey.

The Women's Team unfortunately struggled due to a lack of players for both terms, finishing mid-table on both occasions.

In 2015/16 the Men's Team, captained by **Anand Patel**, set themselves the goal of establishing themselves as an unwavering Division 1 presence (not to be daunted by the much stronger teams we would now be facing). A few key players had been lost on graduation, but thankfully this was more than made up for by yet another talented batch of freshers. The strength and commitment of the team allowed us to finish 3rd in the Michaelmas Term, and then finish 2nd in the Lent Term (missing out on the title only on goal difference).

The Women's Team, captained by **Jess Maton**, found themselves bolstered by an equally talented group of freshers. Now able to field a full (and strong) team, the team took the league by storm, winning Division 2 and earning promotion at Christmas, then finishing mid-table in Division 1 in the Lent Term.

NETBALL

The Queens' Women's Netball Team plays college First League matches every weekend. This year we got new Gilbert kit and bibs so we could look the part in contrast to our traditional rather shambolic appearance. 2015 Cuppers was tough, we came up against Downing in both the group stage and the quarter-finals. We drew the quarter-finals match and went on to extra time twice until they eventually scored. It was a hotly contested match and the other teams had surrounded the court to support us. We felt frustrated because the match should have been played in the final. This year at Cuppers, we won 4 of our 5 group stage matches, but only Downing from our group were let through to the quarter-finals. Once again, Downing thwarted our hopes of netball domination. Despite our bad luck in Cuppers, the team always has fun together and this year had a great AGM.

The Queens' College Mixed Netball Club has had a wonderful, if not entirely successful, year. Having been promoted last year to the top division whilst also losing some of our more seasoned (and tallest) players, we found ourselves a little overwhelmed (particularly by the height of some opposition players) on the court in the Michaelmas Term. Perhaps unfortunately and owing to the Vet School's frequent concessions due to their inability to field a team most weeks, we were not relegated and found ourselves facing a similar challenge in the Lent Term. In short, we failed to win a single league match. In the annual Cuppers event, however, QCMNC found greater success. A series of inspired group stage performances saw us through to the quarter-finals where, unfortunately, we met Downing 1st Team (the eventual winners of the competition). In reality, however, the results are of little importance. In two terms we have managed to form a tight-knit group whose commitment never ceases to impress. We may not have won many matches but we like to think we've had more fun than any other team.

PENGUINS ULTIMATE

With only a handful of new regulars (despite a very busy Taster Session in Fresher's Week) Penguins has been able to field a particularly experienced line-up this year. The beginning of the year was tight on numbers after Captain **Theo Pigott** optimistically entered two Penguins teams into the College League. Nevertheless, each team showed great resilience and after joining forces halfway through the term we came a very respectable 3rd place. Indoor Cuppers was hugely successful, in part thanks to Queens' generously funding plenty of training sessions in the University Sports Hall, with Queens' Penguins taking the trophy! In the Lent Term we followed up that great result with plenty of close games, but a decisive 13-2 win over St John's in the final.

POOL

The Queens' Pool Club has gone from strength to strength this year with the Club almost doubling in size with the addition of a mixed thirds team and the first ever women's team. The firsts have won all three of their matches this year and sit top of their division, the seconds are currently second in their division, and the less said about the thirds the better (though they do seem to enjoy the beer drinking aspect that goes hand in hand with playing pool!). The women's team which is made up of beginners suffered a 6-0 loss in their first ever match, but bounced back valiantly to lose only 4-2 in their next match (**Kirsten Spry** winning both of her frames). The Pool Club will continue to expand and innovate - recently we had our club photo and some people showed up in black tie which will look dashing on the walls of the Bar. We have been on tour to Bratislava and came back undefeated! We have had the inaugural AGM in Old Hall which was a huge success and I hope it becomes a tradition.

RUGBY

The Men's Rugby team has built on a solid season last year in which we narrowly lost the Cuppers Shield final in extra time to Churchill. This season we have finished third in our division, a disappointing finish, but have again made the final of the Cuppers Shield. This will be played on 28th April at Grange Road against Homerton. Some notable wins have included a 55-5 win over the graduates of Hughes Hall/St Edmund's, as well as bonus point victories over Trinity College, Churchill, and Sidney Sussex.

With the excitement of the 2015 Rugby World Cup still in the air, QCWRFC started Michaelmas with a heavy recruitment drive. Made up of a strong engineering contingent and a token linguist, work began in turning the team of rugby novices into rugby pros in time for the inter-college match series. We had new kit for this season which meant even if the team wasn't completely convinced by the Captain's numerous diagrams, they at least looked the part. The season kicked off with a 20-15 win against Emmanuel College. A pick and go approach was opted for, due to the opposition's idea of rucking as a whole team bonding exercise, but this suited our speedy backs who scored four tries in the first half. Unfortunately despite a half time jelly baby boost, we conceded three tries in the second half. This could be put down to having two less players on the pitch, however a more likely reason was general fitness, which probably wasn't helped by going to college brunch and having four hash browns after every training session. We are grateful to **Will Fenby** (QCRFC Captain) for some kindly refereeing, although the squad still contend the awarding of a penalty against us 2 cm from the try line for replaying the ball.

Unfortunately, owing to heavy academic work, we have conveniently forgotten what happened in the next two matches against St Catharine's College and Jesus College. The team did however gain an impressive victory over the Hills Colleges, along with a nosebleed and a long walk home. **Anya Draycott** and **Tolu Taiwo Ashaju**, along with Captain **Charlotte Harrop**, represented the University during the Lent Term.

SKIING & SNOWBOARDING

In January 2015, Queens' travelled to Alpe D'Huez for a week of superb skiing before the hard academic work began once again. Following on from 2015's success, this year we took 65 students from across the undergraduate body to Les Arcs, hoping for a repeat performance. We weren't disappointed! With fantastic snow, some refresher lessons and a brilliant selection of runs for beginners and more experienced skiers alike, everyone came on leaps and bounds. In fact, we were so blessed with snow that by the end of the week we found ourselves overwhelmed: over 110cm in the preceding few days gave a great powder base, a novel

experience for many with all the expected challenges and entertainment (countless falls!) that came with it. From off-piste to après, everyone immersed themselves in mountain culture and there were even suggestions that some people had managed to practice a little French along the way, "une bière s'il vous plait". The week was rounded off by a superb mountain meal of local meats and a traditional cheese fondue, followed by a party in Les Arc's famous igloo up at 2000m. The long coach journey back gave ample time to rest weary legs and I'm sure that next year will be another great trip as Qski moves from strength to strength.

MCR SQUASH

MCR squash on Tuesday evenings is not competitive; a variety of MCR Members turn up to play friendly games. There is, however, an official Ladies Team and we are happy to report that the Queens' MCR Ladies Squash Team won both Cuppers and the Inter-college League this year.

TABLE TENNIS

Following on the success of last season in which Queens' became top division champions, the Table Tennis Club has been updated with two brand new tables. However, due to difficulties with delivery from Italy the club couldn't get going until the end of Michaelmas 2015. However, the fixtures still needed to be completed. Despite not quite having the success of last year, three teams have been competing in the leagues with Queens's 1's currently in the semi-final of Cuppers and holding second place in their division.

TENNIS

The Queens' College Tennis Club had some success in the Cuppers competition this year, winning convincingly against Gonville & Caius, in spite of wind making for very difficult conditions. Although unfortunately being eventually beaten by an extremely strong St John's team, there were excellent performances from all involved. Tennis this year has been aided by plenty of dry weather during term time, but as always could be helped further by a little less wind.

WATER POLO

Queens' College Water Polo has been growing over the recent years and has grown enough to be the only college team with two training sessions a week. This has led to the incredible achievement of an unbeaten College League 2014-15 season. Unfortunately in the Cuppers 2015, which is an intercollegiate tournament, we were beaten by a strong combined Robinson and Gonville & Caius team. Several of our key players graduated in the summer, so it was important for us to get a strong recruitment in the Michaelmas Term 2015. We managed to enrol 8 new players, a record for us. They were all beginners but, with consistent training and learning the games from the College League matches, they have all improved significantly. Their efforts were awarded by winning Cuppers 2016. This was a massive achievement for the team as we had one of the smallest number of players from the University team. The team is still very young and have shown great potential and we look forward to the next season.

THE STUDENT RECORD

DISTINCTIONS AND AWARDS - 2015

First Year:

First Classes and College Exhibitions:

Navid Alam : Part IA Computer Science

Vytaute Boreikaite: Part IA Natural Sciences

Susannah Bower-Brown: Part I Psychological and Behavioural Sciences

Chloe A L Casey: Part IA Natural Sciences

Jake A Curtis: Part IA Natural Sciences

Henry M Dickie: Part IA Natural Sciences

Samuel Dixon: Part I Human, Social and Political Sciences

Robert J Eady: Part IA Computer Science

Benjamin G Farrar: Part IA Natural Sciences

Meredith J Ford: Part IA Modern and Medieval Languages

Joshua E Fossey: Part IA Engineering

Sheng Gao: Part IA Mathematics

Kieran D Gilday: Part IA Engineering

Charles J Gladstone: Part I Human, Social and Political Sciences

Bobby B He: Part IA Mathematics

Sin Ying Ho: Part IA Medical and Veterinary Sciences

Samuel J Jackett: Part I Linguistics

Eric Jou: Part IA Medical and Veterinary Sciences

Alastair T Langtry: Part I Economics

Joseph T Levin: Part IA Natural Sciences

Fiona J-Y Lin: Part IA Law

George Long: Part IA Mathematics

Callum J Macintosh: Part IA Engineering

Jennifer F H Morris: Part IA Engineering

Daniel L Noel: Part IA Natural Sciences

Sinead I M O'Connor: Part IA Asian and Middle Eastern Studies

Anand J Patel: Part IA Mathematics

Edward A M Reeve: Part IA Music (*with distinction*)

Devina Shah: Part IA Natural Sciences

Edmond I Wax: Part IA Modern and Medieval Languages

Thomas D Webster: Part IA Mathematics

Second Year:***First Classes and Foundation Scholarships:***

Sudhir Balaji: Part I Chemical Engineering
 William Barker: Part IB Natural Sciences
 Amy Bendel: Part IB Modern and Medieval Languages
 Adam J Boumelha: Part IB Natural Sciences
 Christopher N P Bray: Part IB Natural Sciences
 George Cameron: Part IB Natural Sciences
 Nicholas R-J Capel: Part IB Engineering
 Fiona Carter: Part IB Architecture
 Jinsheng Chen: Part IB Mathematics
 Sophie A G W Chung: Part IIA Human, Social and Political Sciences
 Eliot R Cohen: Part IIA Theology and Religious Studies
 Bethany R Crickmay: Part IB Geography
 Zlatina Dobрева: Part IB Natural Sciences
 Ciar A Donnelly: Part IIA Linguistics
 Steven M Evans: Part IB Modern and Medieval Languages
 Helena L Gostelow: Part IIA Economics
 Lucy L Gumbiti-Zimuto: Part IB Medical and Veterinary Sciences
 Alexander M M Hardwick: Part IB Classics
 Daniel Heydecker: Part IB Mathematics
 David L-J Ho: Part IB Natural Sciences
 Siddhant M Jayakumar: Part IB Computer Science
 Mark Jerjian: Part IB Engineering
 Tara J B-Y Lee: Part I English
 Ruohua Li: Part IB Medical and Veterinary Sciences
 Zhaoming Li: Part IB Engineering
 Alexander G Lipp: Part IB Natural Sciences
 Eleanor L Manners: Part IB Medical and Veterinary Sciences
 Suhaiymah I Manzoor-Khan: Part I History
 Jessica Moxom: Part IB Classics
 Akhilesh S Mulay: Part IB Medical and Veterinary Sciences
 Evelyn Paragpuri: Part I English (*with distinction*)
 Charles J Patterson: Part I History
 Mana Rahimzadeh: Part IB Medical and Veterinary Sciences
 Peng Rao: Part IB Natural Sciences
 Laurence Reeves: Part IB Engineering
 James Richardson: Part IB Engineering
 James M Roberts: Part IB Engineering
 Kathryn L Scott: Part IB Computer Science
 Prithvi Sridhar: Part IB Engineering

Benjamin J Sutherland: Part IB Natural Sciences
 Francis A Syvret: Part IB Natural Sciences
 Rory J Weal: Part I History
 Stuart J Wilson: Part IB Modern and Medieval Languages

Third Year:

First Classes and Foundation Scholarships:

Devang Agrawal: Part IIA Engineering
 Robert P S Alner: Part IIA Manufacturing Engineering
 Jessica Baker: Part IIB Economics
 Lois E Baker: Part II Mathematics
 Martin J Blake: Part IIA Engineering
 William Boulton: Part II Mathematics
 Paul P Brimble: Part IIB Economics
 Finlay Campbell: Part II Natural Sciences (Genetics)
 Camilla L Clark: Part II Classics
 Melanie Duncan: Part IIB Linguistics
 Ahmed El-Hussein: Part II Natural Sciences (Pharmacology)
 Lauren H Fawcett: Part II Law
 James T Ferryman: Part II Natural Sciences (Pharmacology)
 Adam E Foster: Part II Mathematics
 Arianna Freschi: Part IIB Politics, Psychology and Sociology
 Akash Gandhi: Part II Natural Sciences (Pharmacology)
 Esther Glenfield: Part II Land Economy
 Emily C Greathead: Part IIB Archaeology and Anthropology
 Jack E Greatrex: Part II History
 Rebecca C Heath: Part II Natural Sciences (Biological and Biomedical Sciences)
 Adam D Jelley: Part II Natural Sciences (Physics)
 Matthew J Jessop: Part II History
 Catherine M Jones: Part IIB Politics, Psychology and Sociology
 Rajiv A Kurien: Part IIA Engineering
 Demetrios Lefas: Part IIA Engineering
 Jingping Li: Part II Natural Sciences (Physics)
 Michael P A Loy: Part II Classics
 James R Lucas: Part II Mathematics
 Thomas J McClelland: Part II Natural Sciences (Physiology, Development and Neuroscience)
 James Powell: Part II Architecture
 Rikhil Raithatha: Part II Mathematics
 Jonathan I Rawlinson: Part II Mathematics
 Zoe Sciver: Part II Natural Sciences (Materials Science)
 Olivia Sharpe: Part II Natural Sciences (Psychology)

Alexander P Thoma: Part II Natural Sciences (Chemistry)
 Lorenzo Venturini: Part IIA Engineering
 Sebastien N L Warshaw: Part II Philosophy
 Alice C Waterhouse: Part II Natural Sciences (Astrophysics)
 Oliver C H Whitehead: Part II Mathematics
 Bonan Zhu: Part II Natural Sciences (Physics)

Fourth Year:

First Classes and Foundation Scholarships:

Zachary Baynham-Herd: Part II Natural Sciences (History and Philosophy of Science)
 Tom Bury: Part III Mathematics
 Matthew P Edmondson-Jones: Part IIB Engineering
 David H G Elliott: Part IIB Manufacturing Engineering
 Ravinda S Gunaratne: Part III Mathematics
 Sasha J Hajnal-Corob: Part III Natural Sciences (Astrophysics)
 Michael A Hope: Part III Natural Sciences (Chemistry)
 Fiona E Hughes: Part IIB Engineering
 Lucas Kuhlen: Part III Natural Sciences (Biochemistry)
 Michael M Leader: Part III Mathematics (*with distinction*)
 Rebecca A Lockhart: Part II Modern and Medieval Languages
 Malcolm J Miller: Part IIB Engineering
 William T Pearmain: Part III Natural Sciences (Physics)
 Guy Peters: Part IIB Manufacturing Engineering
 Jan Polasek: Part III Computer Science
 Francisca Posada-Brown: Part II Modern and Medieval Languages
 Benjamin R Price: Part III Mathematics (*with distinction*)
 Adam L Smith: Part III Mathematics (*with distinction*)
 Leyla C Sudbury: Part IIB Manufacturing Engineering
 Jonathan M F Tsang: Part III Mathematics (*with distinction*)
 Georgia C Vann: Part III Natural Sciences (Physics)
 Ariel Z Weiss: Part III Mathematics
 Sidney C Wright: Part III Natural Sciences (Physics)

Graduate Students:

First Classes and Foundation Scholarships:

Hannah A Al-Yousuf: Final MB Part III
 Amaury Hayat: Master of Advanced Study (Applied Mathematics)
 Jack Stewart: Master of Law
 Pierre-Benoit N F M Vulliemmin: Master of Advanced Study (Pure Mathematics)
 Emiel Woutersen: Master of Advanced Study (Applied Mathematics)

COLLEGE AWARDS YEAR PRIZES 2015

Year Prizes

Joshua King Prize:	S J Hajnal-Corob / A L Smith
Hughes Prize:	D Heydecker / J Moxom / E Paragpuri / J M Roberts
Venn Prize:	E A M Reeve

College Subject Prizes

Bailey Prize:	S I M O'Connor
Braithwaite Prize:	A L Smith
Brendan Prize:	J E Greatrex
Bull Prize:	E Jou
Chalmers Prize:	F A Syvret
Clayton Prize:	E R Cohen
Colton Prize:	A E Foster
Cook Prize:	A Bendel
Davies Prize:	M A Hope
Engineering Alumni Prize:	M J Blake / D Lefas
Lucas-Smith Prize:	L H Fawcett
Melsome Prize:	A El-Hussein / R C Heath
Morgan Prize:	S I Manzoor-Khan / R J Weal
Mosseri Prize:	M Rahimzadeh
Northam Prize:	P P Brimble
Openshaw Prize:	D Heydecker
Peel Prize:	J E Fossey
Penny White Prize:	M P A Loy
Phillips Prize:	C J Patterson
Prigmore Prize:	J M Roberts
Redress Solutions:	F J-Y Lin / J Stewart
Roper Prize:	A J Boumelha / A G Lipp

President's Subject Prizes

Architecture:	J Powell
Archaeology & Anthropology:	E C Greathead
Astrophysics:	A C Waterhouse
Biology:	V Boreikaite

Classics:	C L Clark
Computer Science:	R J Eady
English:	T J B-Y Lee / E Paragpuri
Human, Social & Political Sciences:	S. Dixon / C M Jones
Land Economy:	E Glenfield
Linguistics:	C A Donnelly
Manufacturing Engineering:	D H G Elliott / L C Sudbury
Mathematics (4th year):	S J Hajnal-Corob
Modern Languages:	F Posada-Brown
Music:	E A M Reeve
Natural Sciences (4th year):	S C Wright
Philosophy:	S N L Warshaw

Special Prizes

Beament Prize:	O F Bell / L J Morris
Bibby Prize:	L C Sudbury
Farr Poetry Prize:	T J B-Y Lee
Hadfield Poetry Prize:	B T Hawkins
Ryle Reading Prize:	O F Bell

University Awards

The Purcell Miller Tritton Prize:	J Powell
The Wace Medal:	M P A Loy
The Civil Engineers Roscoe Prize for Soil Mechanics:	F E Hughes
The Bartlett Prize:	A L Smith
The D H Green Prize:	R A Lockhart
The Donald Wart Prize:	E A M Reeve
The Frank Smart Prize for Botany:	A J Boumelha
The Project Prize:	A Gandhi
The Junior Scholefield Prize:	E R Cohen (<i>joint award</i>)
The Charles Fox Memorial Prize:	C Nayeri (<i>joint award</i>)

PHDS

Ziyad Abunada (Engineering); Thomas Alanine (Chemistry); Valentin Assassi (Applied Maths and Theoretical Physics); Robert Baldock (Physics); Charles Bell (Medical Genetics); Fernando Bravo (Music); Simon Breakspear (Education); Adam Brown (Medicine); Alison Bumke (English); Timothy Cannings (Pure Maths and Math. Statistics); Keren Carss (Biological Science); Cheng Chen (Engineering); Qixiang Cheng (Engineering); Abbe Crawford (Veterinary Medicine); Marta De Olazabal (Land Economy); Carolyn Grimsley (Land Economy); Christopher Hill (Haematology); Yang Hu (Sociology); Tun Jao (Psychiatry); Joanna Jia (Management Studies); Kristen Klebba (History); Eun Lee (Social and Developmental Psychology); Yunxi Li (Engineering); Peter Logg (Physics); Ivanka Mamic (Development Studies); Julia Manetsberger (Biotechnology); Catherine McAllister (Psychiatry); Matthew McLeod (Chemistry); Weeda Mehran (Politics and International Studies); Maria Mestre (Engineering); Abhinav Prasad (Engineering); Kavita Ramakrishnan (Geography); Kelly Seagraves (Zoology); Michael Shaw (Engineering); Yun Ysi Siew (Biological Anthropology); Nathan Skene (Biological Science); Kenji Takamiya (Politics and International Studies); Margaret Thorley (Land Economy); Chutwichai Tovikkai (Surgery); Elsa Trevino Ramirez (Latin American Studies); Yaffa Truelove (Geography); Todd Tucker (Development Studies); Melissa Wong (Music); Christine Yau (Education)



The collapsed river wall.
Photo: Dr Jonathan Holmes.



The wedding of Dr Escartin Esteban and Dr Clements.
Photo: Dr Jonathan Holmes.



A Light Installation on the Mathematical Bridge. Photo: Dr Brian Callingham.



The Admission of Professor Rod Smith as an Honorary Fellow.
Photo: Dr Brian Callingham.



Dr Ian Patterson reciting his poetry.
Photo: Dr Brian Callingham.



After 40 years, the start of a new minute book for the Thomae Smithi Academia.
Photo: Dr Brian Callingham.



The First VIII with their new boat, 'Marcus Hughes-Hallett'. Photo: Dr Jonathan Holmes.



Medics and Vets at the Medical Society Dinner.
Photo: Dr Jonathan Holmes.



A recent photograph of
Professor Ajit Singh.
Photo: Dr Brian Callingham.



Professor Diggle after 40 years
as Praelector at his last General
Admissions.
Photo: Dr Jonathan Holmes.

THE CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

THE JCR

The JCR Committee had a pretty busy year, and – hopefully – also made a big difference in the lives of undergraduates at Queens'. On the less serious (/boring admin) side, we introduced a blog, and an Instagram account, and so can safely say that we are now up to date with the latest technology (although our website is still experiencing many technical difficulties). Freshers week was a fantastic experience for all involved; the week included College Family events, Pub Golf, talks from College and the general mania that ensues from dumping a whole load of new people together. Term was just getting into the swing of things, when – in true Queens' style – Bops were cancelled again. But after making some changes, and announcing the return via Christmas poem (shout out to the Porters for their help reading it out), QEnts returned for Jingles. Fantastic and inspiring events were co-ordinated by Committee members, including – to name just two - the annual Women's Dinner and a picture display in Buttery of Black Cantabs. The Access officer co-ordinated another successful access roadshow, the international officer finally sorted out vacation storage for international students, and we can now even get college branded sports bras. As the end of Lent Term came, and brought with it the collapse of some of the Round, it seemed like the JCR Handover was doomed. Luckily, the JCR Committee has moved from strength to strength, and we have recently handed over to two JCR co-Presidents, with the aim of restructuring the committee. All in all, the JCR Committee had a really exciting and productive year: we were recognised by CUSU for our outstanding service to students and injected some fun back into student politics.

President: Jessica Tray

Vice-President External: Celia Hart

Treasurer: Nour Kharma

Secretary: Clemmie Elwes

Computer Officer: Tom Webster

Access Officer: Hayden Banks

Women's Welfare Officer: Tillie Lloyd-Thoms

Men's Welfare Officer: Joe Shalom

LGBT+ Welfare Officer: Daniel Walsh

Food Steward: Charlie Patterson

International Rep: Charles Bonfils-Duclos

International Officer: Joseph Levin

QEnts President: Tara Lee

BME Rep: Suhaiymah Manzoor-Khan

Women's Rep.: Connie Muttock

Disabilities Rep: Amy Malone

1st Year Reps: Lizzie Carr, Jonny Sinclair-Williams, Sophie Sterne, Jirka Lhotka

Sports and Societies Rep: Alex Hardwick

THE MCR

The Graduate Community is now a hugely significant part of Queens', as evidenced by the recent Graduate Review of Education, and the MCR Committee has been excited to continue working with College and the community to help PhD and Master's students feel at home in Queens'. Given the broad spectrum of people who study as Graduates, the Committee has offered a diverse calendar of events suited to everyone, making the best use of the quite extraordinary range of talents the Graduate students can offer. For example, the Queens' Bake-off Competition judged by members of Catering Team and Fellows was particularly successful, since the audience were able to partake of the goods. A Masquerade and several Wine and Cheese Nights in Old Hall, with music by our own students, have been well-attended, as have our pre-bop parties in the Woodville Room, which has seen itself decorated accordingly for every festive occasion we could think of: Christmas and Halloween, as well as the 60th anniversary of the publication of Tolkein's Lord of the Rings! The weekly MCR formals also remain a focus for socialising, and Formal Exchanges with other colleges are a very popular way to experience how other Graduates live. The MCR also offers an amazing forum to engage with and discuss the research of others, and weekly Queens' Talks and Arts Seminars addressed by members of the college and outside speakers have allowed the rigorous exchange of ideas on a huge range of subjects, from 21st century Mexican Literature, to English polyphony, to turning the mirror back on ourselves and discussing the Graduate Community of Queens'. Otherwise, the Committee has focused on the representation and welfare of current Graduate students on an ongoing basis, liaising with college and the Student Unions where our voice has been needed.

Committee:

President: Jenny Leivadarou

Secretary: Alexander Kunhle

Treasurer: Sameer Khan

Steward: Tom Albrow-Owens

Ents: Audrey Crousilles, Tom Albrow-Owens, Abel Latorre-Serna

Welfare Officer: Jack Belloli

International Officer: Afra Pujol i Campeny

Woodville Steward: Loughlin Sweeney

First-Year Representative: Ondrej Dockal

External Rep: Arthur Westwell

Owlstone Rep: Leslie Change

Formal Exchange Organisers: Lydia Preig, Ankita Anirban.

QUEENS' AND CLARE OVERSEAS EDUCATION FUND

QCOEF is a joint society that raises money to fund educational purposes in developing countries. We strive to bring a range of fundraising events to the student body.

A Pub Quiz night at Clare was held at the start of Michaelmas Term during freshers week. It was a perfect way to incorporate the freshers and give them an understanding of what QCOEF is all about. The winners of the quiz received a £40 bar tab. A 'Take me out' event was held at Clare around Valentine's Day as a way to match people.

The theme of a QCOEF formal hall night at Clare was 'What you wanted to be as a child' at which the attendees dressed up as whatever their aspirations were when they were much younger. A range of apparel was observed from superheroes to teachers and many more. The band 'Colonel Spankies' provided the entertainment for the night.

A Bop was held at Queens' towards the end of Lent Term. Posters displaying the importance of education from the perspective of Queens' and Clare students were stuck around the bar on the night. The cocktail of the night was the 'QCOEctail' and the face painting was in line with the Star Wars theme of the bop.

Overall, a sum of £1600 was raised from the 2 terms and donated to EPAfrica to fund the purchase of laptops, floppy disks, recording equipment and other essentials to kickstart the project, and help improve opportunities to learn English in Fort Dauphin. £500 raised from the garden party in June at the end of the last Easter Term, was given to Azafady to help train local teachers in Madagascar for the schools they support.

President: Tolu Taiwo-Ashaju

QUEENS' CHARITIES COMMITTEE

2015 marked another successful year for the Queens' College Charities Committee as the Committee (composed of students from all years of the undergraduate body) went about organising multiple fundraising events in aid of charities chosen by the current Queens' JCR. The three charities the JCR asked us to support in 2015 were Cambridge RAG, Teenage Cancer Trust and Médecins Sans Frontières, reflecting student support for both local and international organisations

The Committee worked throughout the year to organise events that would engage the college community and help raise lots of money. We used food and drink donations from businesses around Cambridge to hold our own chari-tea party in Queens' Bar at which the

students of Queens' enjoyed a cake and coffee-filled work break. However, our biggest events by far were our themed charity formal halls. The Hollywood-themed formal in November 2014 saw guests dressing up in their tinsel-town finery after tickets for the event sold out in minutes! The 2015 Harry Potter-themed formal in Lent Term continued this string of successful fundraising events, with over 200 guests donning fancy dress and a special Harry Potter themed menu. £1500 was raised for charity. The sustained support of our fundraising events by students across Cambridge made our 2015 fundraising total our biggest yet, with £3,300 raised during the 2014-15 academic year, meaning each of our three charities received a donation of £1,100 to help fund their important activities.

The start of the 2015/2016 academic year has seen the Committee continue its fundraising activities, with new members and new charities to support, once again voted for by the JCR. Queens' Charities is currently raising money for Cambridge Rape Crisis Centre, the UN High Commission on Refugees and Cambridge RAG, continuing our commitment to supporting both local and global charitable work. With another Harry Potter formal in February 2016 also selling out in minutes, this should be another exciting year for the Queens' Charities Committee.

President: Alex Shuttleworth

OVERTON SOCIETY (ENGLISH STUDENTS)

The Overton Society was established at the beginning of this academic year in order to bring all Queens' English students under one auspicious banner. Richard Overton, after whose contested and shady identity the Society has taken its name, was a Queens' undergraduate (matric.1631), not to mention chaplain, soldier, satirist, pamphleteer, Leveller, revolutionary, dramatist, and more.

The inaugural Overton Society event was an informal poetry reading in **Dr Zurcher's** office, at which students brought their own work and shared it with the group. This was a great success, and similar events are planned for the future.

One of several events organised this year has been the speaker evening with **Elizabeth Day**. Elizabeth is the award winning author of *Home Fires* and *Paradise City*, and she spoke informally to students about her career as a writer and journalist. Students were particularly interested in her experiences as a woman online.

The Society also hosted a packed reading by local poet **Dr Ian Patterson**, who read from his recent collections *Still Life* and *Time Dust*. During Easter Term, the Society will welcome Professor Margaret Litvin of Boston University, who will speak on the influence of Shakespeare's work in the Arab World.

Saskia Baylis and **Emma Wood** organised the Queens' English Dinner at the end of Lent Term. Most students and fellows were able to attend the dinner in the Old Senior Combination Room, and we had a fantastic meal with plenty of entertainment, including a very competitive game of Articulate.

Presidents: Saskia Baylis and Emma Wood

ERASMUS SOCIETY (HISTORIANS)

The Erasmus Society has continued to enrich college life with its annual calendar of talks and discussions delivered by a diverse range of talented historians. Before the summer of 2015, Dr Benjamin Smith provided a thrilling insight into the history of Mexican drug trafficking, while Cambridge's very own Dr Andrew Arsan presented a sorely relevant survey of Western intervention in the Middle East. In the Michaelmas Term, the Society – bolstered by a fresh intake of students – was delighted to welcome prestigious Queens' alumnus **Professor Paul Ginsborg** for a lively discussion of 'Recent Italian politics in historical perspective', and the term was brought to a close by Dr Richard Serjeantson's stimulating exploration of 'The sound of violence' in the early modern period. Lent Term was opened by an unconventional talk by Professor Timon Screech titled 'The Shogun's lover's would-be Swedish boyfriend' – a fascinating insight into sexuality in 17th century Japan. In February, our final speaker drew an audience of unprecedented size. The society was honoured to host Sir Anthony Seldon for a historical analysis of No. 10 Downing Street, with particular reference to David Cameron. Naturally, passionate debate ensued; less expected was a practical demonstration of the concept of mindfulness! Finally, in March, the series of social events that permeated the year culminated in the always excellent History Dinner, at which the bonds between the historians of Queens' College were further solidified. As exams approach, the society now looks forward to the election of its next committee.

President: Matt Jessop

Social Secretary: Henry Cunnison

QUEENS' BENCH (LAW SOCIETY)

2015 was yet another eventful and successful year for the Queens' Bench. In Lent Term students and Fellows came together in Old Hall for the QBLS Annual Dinner. As well as enjoying the best food and drink on offer at the College, students were also fortunate enough to hear from **James Palmer**, a Queens' law alumnus, who had recently been appointed Chair of Herbert Smith Freehills LLP. Lent Term also saw the continuation of the QBLS Criminal Law Mooting Competition, with **Alasdair Marshall** taking home the trophy in

a tightly contested final that offered a great deal of encouragement for Queens' chances in future University mooted competitions. Whilst the Easter Term was unsurprisingly quiet, the QBLS Garden Party towards the end of May Week gave students and Fellows the opportunity to relax and celebrate the end of another successful exam period. We were also joined by a number of Queens' alumni from Slaughter & May to give students an invaluable insight into the realities of life at a leading solicitor's firm.

Michaelmas Term 2016 began in style with The Inaugural Queens' Distinguished Lecture in Law, a new event for the QBLS calendar. Baroness Hale of Richmond, Deputy President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom, addressed students, Fellows and distinguished guests on the topic of "The Right to Live and the Right to Die." The Term also gave students the opportunity to return to Old Hall for an informal wine tasting and networking event hosted by Queens' law alumni from Kirkland & Ellis. At the end of term we enjoyed the QBLS Michaelmas Dinner, with mince pies, port and cheese - the perfect way to end another fantastic year for the Queens' Bench.

President: Joe Tarbert

Vice-Presidents: Anna Karan & Eliza Jones

Secretary: Shirley Mak

Social Secretaries: Cath Wheatley and Sher Lin Wong

Mistress of Moots: Nour Kharma

MATHEMATICS SOCIETY

In only our second year of existence, the 2015/2016 academic year was a great success for Queens' Maths Society (QMS). With Queens' having a very large population of quantitative students (both mathematicians and otherwise), the committee's aim for the year was to grow the society's overall membership base and increase the frequency of our events. The year started off with the society gaining its first ever source of external sponsorship from the local company Cryptomathic (www.cryptomathic.com), which allowed us to fund the 'Fresher Meet and Greet' event in the first week of Michaelmas Term at which first years were able to meet other members of the society over some complimentary wine and nibbles. The Michaelmas Term also featured two external speaker events: Dr. Peter Landrock - founder of our sponsor company, and Dr. Thomas Forster - lecturer in DPMMS. We also had an incredibly interesting talk from students who took part in summer research placements last year, and a well-attended end of term Society formal in Cripps Hall.

Lent Term was similarly packed with QMS events. Along with four speaker events - ranging from a recent Queens' graduate to the Trinity Director of Studies, Professor Imre Leader - we had our inaugural Queens' Maths Dinner. This annual black tie event is held in the beautiful

Old Hall, and was attended by both Fellows and students of Queens'. Congratulations to **Bobby He** and **George Moore** for organising this.

Aside from speaker events and formals, QMS also began organising (alongside Subject Contacts) weekly drop in workshops for freshers, where older students are able to provide help with, for example, understanding lecture notes or answering example sheet questions. We've also planned to finish the year with a pre-exam pizza party and a May Week AGM, preceding a Queens'-exclusive garden party on the lawns on the Centre for Mathematical Sciences.

President: Christopher Davies

Vice-President: Daniel Heydecker

Treasurer: Bobby He

Secretary: Anand Patel

MEDICAL SOCIETY

It has been, as usual, a busy year for Queens' Medsoc, and so alas, we can offer but a brief review. 2015 began with the 88th incarnation of the Society Dinner, with the notable author Dr James Le Fanu entertaining all attendees as our guest speaker. Our next major event to close the academic year was the Garden Party. Always eagerly anticipated, we like to think it is the prospect of this event that singlehandedly keeps all the Medics and Vets going through the major trauma of exam term. However, despite all the careful planning and a significant amount of early morning strawberry chopping, an acute downpour threatened to pour cold water on proceedings. Ever nimble (as all good medics should be), we rapidly revised our plans, commandeered the Fitzpatrick Hall, popped up some bunting and in true MedSoc form, the garden party was successfully transplanted with just minutes to spare before the first guests arrived.

To mark the beginning of the new academic year, Director of Studies **Dr Laurence Tiley** hosted the Medics' (and Vets) Chili. This was the second time this event has happened, so it is now of course a tradition. It proved a great way to induce socializing between older and newer members, as did the elective presentation evening hosted by the returning sixth year Queens' students.

As usual, a key organ in the wider society is its guest speaker talk and this year was the first in which they were open to the wider university. Among others they featured: Dr. Ewan St John Smith, on, among other things, naked mole rats; Dr Viquar Quarashi, a trauma and orthopedic surgeon at Russell's Hall Hospital in Birmingham and Dr Sara Booth, founder of the Cambridge Breathlessness Intervention Service.

The 89th Annual Dinner was the terminal event in the Medical Society's Lent Term calendar. In the beautiful setting of Old Hall, made even better by the table decorations by an elite team of freshers. The evening began with an inspirational talk from **Professor David Menon**, continued with the elections and copious good food and ended with much merriment, fine conversation and even better company!

President: Mana Rahimzadeh

Secretary: Ben Morris

MILNER SOCIETY (NATURAL SCIENTISTS)

2015-16 has seen another productive and fun year for the Queens' College Milner Society. Events for the year began with post-exam festivities at the Garden Party in May Week. With Queens' May Ball the night before, students and Directors of Study met for a low-key drink and nibble on Erasmus Lawn. The release of exam results mid-way through the event provided an interesting topic of conversation! It was a lovely chance to say farewell to graduating finalists and the outgoing committee handed over their leadership to the new co-presidents.

The new academic year saw a strong start with incoming freshers welcomed into the folds of the Milner Society at the classic NatSci Mahal. 1st years were introduced to traditional society activities, the delights of Curry King and alternative uses for pineapples. The inaugural VP challenge let no naan go to waste.

As we settled back into term, the new 2nd year academic reps restarted the Wednesday Workshops with an abundance of biscuits and helpful advice for the freshers. Highly amusing emails from Geology Rep **Charlie Eardley** ensured that a great turnout was seen week on week. Supervision questions were made clearer and budding friendships were made stronger!

The long-anticipated Bridgemas Formal in Week 7 gave us all a little boost, with bubbly in Old Kitchens and a formal dinner in Cripps Hall. The lamb shank main went down a storm, particularly with the second years, and the wine was enjoyed by all... Spirits were running high and the night was certainly a memorable one. With a little encouragement from the Dean of College, things settled down for the rest of the year.

Co-Presidents: Zlatina Dobрева and Elizabeth Popli

Vice-Presidents: Jesse Boumelha and Kirsten Spry

Biology Rep: Joseph Levin

Chemistry Rep: Isabelle Spiro

Geological Sciences Rep: Charles Eardley

Physics Rep: Findlay Williams

4th Year Rep: Adam Jelley

Social Sec: Daniel Varley

1st year Reps: Harriet Gooch, Natasha Seaton

Graduate Rep: Lakshana Mohee

ARTS SEMINAR (NOW QUEENS' TALKS)

It has been yet another stimulating year for the Arts Seminar, following the generous support from Queens' MCR to create a dedicated committee position of Academic Officer. The calendar year began in the steady hands of **Loughlin Sweeney**, with a diverse programme for the Lent Term ranging from the "Empirical study of subjectivity" and the "Music of Queens' College, c.1600", to "The Liberal Party and South Africa: the rhetoric of imperial governance". The speakers were **Dr Nikolay Mintchev**, **Emanuel Signer** and Simon Mackley respectively. Fast-forwarding to the Michaelmas Term, the programme featured exceptional Queens' PhD students who presented their work for generalist audiences at the college. This included **Kevin Kester** on "(Re)producing peace? A look inside the United Nations and its universities", **Elsa Treviño** on "How to read 21st-century Mexican Literature: A Critical Guide with Pictures" and last but not least, **Afra Pujol** on "Word order in Old Catalan".

After discussions with the MCR committee, it was decided that the Arts Seminar would be renamed 'Queen's Talks', in order to attract an even wider audience at the College. Reflecting this wider interest, we had diverse speakers for the Lent Term 2016. The Vice-President of Queens', **Professor Lisa Hall** reflected on the graduate survey results and presented on "The graduate community at Queens': Who are you?". Next, **Shachi Amdekar** took us through "The Colony, the club and corporation: The persistence of Gentlemanly Culture in Indian Industry". Finally, we had Richard Langstaff, one of Europe's leading financial services entrepreneurs, share his "Entrepreneurship at the edge" reflections during the Greek crisis. Queens' Talks has so far attracted wide-ranging interest, from undergraduates and graduate students to College Fellows. We once again owe our gratitude to the seminar founder **Dr Ian Patterson** and the MCR Committee for taking his vision even further.

Convener: Stavros Polykarpou

ARTS SOCIETY

It's been a great year for the Queens' Arts Society. The society has run regular life drawing classes in Queens' which have proved very popular. **Lauren Downing** started up an online Arts Magazine at the end of Michaelmas 2015 to celebrate all the artistic things going on in college, from dance to painting to photography. It can be viewed here: <http://joom.ag/t27p>

The highlights for the Arts Society have been the Arts Festivals in Lent Term 2015 and 2016. The Queens' Arts Festival 2015 was themed around "The Body". The festival started with a popular launch party in the Fountain and concluded with a fantastic exhibition of Queens' students' artwork in Old Hall.

The theme of Queens' Arts Festival 2016 was "Time". The Arts Society collaborated with Queens' Amnesty International for the launch party, in which the Bar was covered in artwork and Queens' students were given the chance to perform. There were many events over the 5-day period of the festival including a tour of the Fitzwilliam Museum around the theme of time, a dance workshop, life drawing, and a talk by Martin Bond, photographer of "The Cambridge Diary". The festival again ended with an exhibition in Old Hall and Old Kitchens, which was a hugely successful event showcasing the wide range of artistic talent in Queens'.

Committee Members 2014-15: Megan Dalton, Georgia Macqueen-Black, Anna Trichkine, Jess Baker, Celia Hart, Emily Don, Sophie Chung, Elle Manners, Hannah Todd

Committee Members 2015-16: Eloise Gillow, Lauren Downing, Lizzie Carr, Emily Don, Emma Wood

CHAPEL CHOIR

The last year has been a busy one for the Chapel Choir, with both the regular flow of Choral Evensong each week and the large number of interesting sacred and secular performances the Choir gives. The Choir bade a fond farewell to Director of Music **Dr Silas Wollston** and Organ Scholar **Alexander Knight** on a highly rewarding tour to Hungary in July 2015, and has since been conducted by **Ralph Allwood**, who is a Fellow Commoner of the College. October 2015 also saw the welcoming of **Jack Spencer**, the current Junior Organ Scholar, and two new Choral Scholars: **Helen Barker** and **Michaela Higham**.

Since then, the Choir (at its full capacity of twenty-four) has enjoyed many exciting events such as a concert for the Howells and Stanford Societies, an All Souls performance of the Victoria *Requiem*, various charity concerts, joint services with Emmanuel and Sidney Sussex choirs, a Mass conducted by John Rutter, and most recently, a performance of

Mozart's *Requiem* at St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, with the Brandenburg Sinfonia conducted by **Edward Reeve**. Edward, the Senior Organ Scholar, has also led the Choir in concerts of the St. Margaret's Society, with such choral classics as Mendelssohn's *Elijah*, Brahms' *Ein Deutsches Requiem* and Mozart's *Great Mass in C minor*. The coming term will see a performance of Parry's complete *Songs of Farewell* and Purcell's *Dido and Aeneas*, before the Choir tours to France over the summer, staying in Paris and Angers (where, of course, Margaret of Anjou is buried).

Edward Reeve, Senior Organ Scholar

CHRISTIAN UNION

Compared to other college groups, Queens' is about an average size: we meet twice a week (on a Wednesday evening for bible study and Friday morning for prayer breakfast), and typically around 9 people come, with a mix across all three year groups.

2015 began with a few of the members going to the CICCUC houseparty at which we spent a few days thinking ahead to the upcoming main event (mission) week and spending time focusing on God before the busyness of term. During term we hosted a "text-a-toastie", during which other students text in a question about Christianity and a member of the college group takes a toastie and tries to answer it. We had around 80 questions sent in, which led to several good discussions. CICCUC's main event followed - the theme was "The Search" - with talks every lunchtime and evening. As a college group we had prayer meetings every morning and a church worker came to help us by leading prayer meetings, meeting up to chat, and talking to friends.

In the Easter Term, new reps took over the running of the college group, and we started with a food and drink giveaway event - we repeated this during exam-time. As expected, attendance was more varied, but when we did meet we had a good time together, praying for each other and looking at a Bible passage.

Before the Michaelmas Term we had a pre-term getaway with the groups from Jesus and Christ's Colleges, during which we looked at living as Christian students. Early in the term we ran a discussion course to engage non-Christians in college with issues such as purpose, love, right and wrong, and human nature. In the second half of term we reverted to the Bible studies for college group, later hosting another "text-a-toastie". Before one of the CICCUC carol services, we gave out mince pies and mulled wine, which was popular.

In the Lent Term 2016 we had the CICCUC getaway and main event (the theme was #nofilter) again, which were similarly encouraging as interest rose in Queens'. Several people have

been reading through St John's Gospel with friends as a result. We have been encouraged to see more people coming along to the weekly Bible studies and prayer meetings throughout the term as Christians have been coming out of the woodwork.

College Reps: Charlie Robinson and Victoria Barker

CONTEMPORARY DANCE

It's been a creative and exciting year for the Society! While we continued our regular Friday technical classes and Saturday choreographic workshops with Adèle (Queens' Dance Artist in Residence), we have also introduced a series of special workshops with guests artists. In October 2015 the Society members had a chance to explore the Richard Alston Dance Company's repertoire with Meg Saunders, the company's animateur, who visited us at Queens' on one Saturday morning. The dancers thoroughly enjoyed the workshop, and one of them commented, "The workshop was at a perfectly inclusive level for everyone, challenging for intermediate/advanced level dancers but also accessible for anyone with little experience of contemporary dance". We are very happy the Society is thought to be a community where you can both learn new skills and work on perfecting your technique. The highlight of our artistic year was as always our annual showcase Sprung! organized in the Lent Term. It included performances from QdancE, the contemporary dance troupe guided by Adèle, as well as choreographies submitted by the Society member and guest artists. After all the hard work that we put into Sprung! the Society's activities take a slower pace in Easter Term, as we provide a series of fun and stress relieving workshop for Queens' students and other Society members.

President: Olivia Stamp/Ania Gruszczyńska

Dance Artist in Residence: Adèle Thompson

GRADUATE CHOIR

Since its foundation eight years ago, the Graduate Choir of Queens' College has developed into a very active student society at Queens' and offers the opportunity to graduate students with any amount of choral experience to sing in an *a cappella* chamber choir. The twenty to twenty-five singers, graduate students from Queens' and other Cambridge colleges, as well as recent alumni and alumnae, meet weekly under the direction of **Arthur Tombs**, **Emanuel Signer**, and – in the recent past – **Matthew Fright**, and are coordinated by **Sonia Ilie**. The choir usually provides the music for one Sunday Evensong service per term in the College Chapel. In the past year, the Graduate Choir was joined twice by Choir of Darwin College, directed by Ariana Phillips. In Michaelmas Term 2015, the Graduate Choir hosted not only the

Darwin choir, but also the *Akademisk Kor Århus* from Denmark, which stopped by Queens' on their concert tour through Britain.

Apart from the annual carolling at the MCR's Christmas dinners and these occasional performances in the Chapel, the Graduate Choir maintains a rich and varied secular repertoire, ranging from madrigals of the early sixteenth century to choral arrangements of contemporary popular music. The Choir performs annually alongside the Chapel Choir and the Fellows' Choir at the *Battle of the Choirs* hosted by Lord and Lady Eatwell in the President's Lodge, at which in Lent Term 2016 they honoured the recently deceased singer David Bowie with a first performance of a choral arrangement of *Space Oddity* by Arthur Tombs. The choir also organises termly show-case concerts in Old Hall, offering a performance platform for instrumental and vocal performances of Queens' graduate student musicians, as well as entirely choral concerts, such as the successful recent recital of anthems, madrigals, and pop songs in Easter Term 2016.

President: Sonia Ilie

Conductors/Accompanists: Arthur Tombs, Emanuel Signer, Matthew Fright

QJCR ENTS

We're proud to say we've put on some fantastic events this year. We also put a lot of effort into restructuring the committee, formalising our operations, and building a closer relationship with the College and the JCR Committee.

Bounce 2015 was great fun. 600 Queens' students and guests enjoyed an evening of food, drink, and music on Erasmus Lawn. Bounce earned its name as we celebrated May Week by jumping up and down on bouncy castles and racing our friends on the giant inflatable obstacle course.

Michaelmas Term started with the Freshers Week classic, Back to School, followed by a subject-themed bop. Following an accident near the bop, the College raised concerns about drinking and student safety and suspended bops until further notice. The committee devised a variety of creative solutions to make bops better for students and for the college community, such as providing a Chill Room serving non-alcoholic drinks and snacks, and reorganising bop workers. With new measures in place, we organised a fantastic Jingles at the end of term and proved how dedicated we are to keeping our much-loved bops.

We put on five bops over Lent Term, kicking off with a retro-themed Back to Old School and ending with Bop on the Underground. The highlight of the term, the Star Wars silent disco, saw some particularly creative costumes. Over the year we collaborated with

different societies such as QCEOF and Queens Photography, bringing the whole college community together.

President: Tara Lee

VP/Bar Rep: Lilly GC

VP: Lizzie Carr

Treasurer: Elen Shaw

Secretary: Jonny Dawe

Décor: Louisa Sober

Technical Director: Henry Dickie

Publicity: Claude Macnaughton

Acts: Charlie Stuart

Design: Amy Grounsell

Q FILMS

QFilms has only been able to show one film this year: *Bottle Rocket*, shown in the Michaelmas Term. However, the traditional film showing in May Week is planned.

President: Daniel Oakes

INVESTMENT CLUB

In only its first term of existence, Queens' College Investment Club was founded to provide a supportive and educational environment for those interested in a career in investment banking and related areas. Running in Michaelmas Term, we began a virtual portfolio and invested collaboratively – sector teams would perform research on a stock of choice and pitch it to the Club during weekly meetings. This was supplemented by older students with experience (via internships or otherwise) giving educational talks; for example, talking about methods of basic equity research or discussing the impact of macroeconomic news on specific markets. Although the fund hasn't performed particularly well, it provided a risk-free platform for students to gain some experience with real-world markets and provoked some lively discussions. Experienced students also provided careers advice; Michaelmas is the peak time for summer and spring internship applications, and students were able to seek assistance with CVs, cover letters and interviews.

President: Christopher Davies

PHOTOGRAPHY SOCIETY

The Photography Society was revived in the Michaelmas Term 2015. The old darkroom disappeared, of course, with the refurbishment of the Docket Building, so the Society's focus has been on encouraging the College's photographers and improving their technique. At the Societies Freshers' Squash first years were encouraged to have a go at speed photography as an incentive to join us. During the term there were two sessions of 'light painting'. In the Lent Term there was a talk during the Arts Festival by Martin Bonds about his project 'A Cambridge Diary'. He shows one photograph of Cambridge per day in his gallery and over six years has built up an impressive photogallery of the City and University. In the Easter Term an exhibition of some of his most iconic photographs has been on display in Cripps Hall. At the end of the Lent Term there was also a session run by **Duncan Grisby**, a Queens' alumnus, on 'Abstract Photography'.

The Society's main focus this year, however, has been a competition, which ran from February till April, for a photograph illustrating "Cambridge through the lens". Entries were submitted by nearly 100 individuals. In early May **Drs Callingham and Holmes and Professors Hall and Davies** inspected a range of the best entries and selected a photograph from Patrick Majewski as the overall winner, though many fascinating and unusual images were produced. An exhibition of many of the best entries from the competition was mounted in the Cripps Cloisters during the Easter Term.

President: Quang Ha

Vice-President: Arthur Tombs

ST MARGARET'S SOCIETY

As always, it has been an extremely busy year for MagSoc. Since the beginning of 2015 the Society has presented three major concerts at the West Road Concert Hall, with thrilling performances by the Chorus and Orchestra of Mendelssohn's *Elijah* (Lent Term 2015), Brahms' *Requiem* (Michaelmas Term 2015) and the Mozart *Great Mass in C minor* (Lent Term 2016), all conducted by our very talented organ scholar, Edward Reeve. Edward also conducted Beethoven's *First Symphony* to accompany the Brahms and first year Josselin Dent-Pooley conducted Beethoven's *Egmont Overture* and Ravel's *Piano Concerto* (Soloist: Katie Wong) at the 2016 concert. It is testament to the quality and hard work of all the performers that a college music society can continue to justify performing such high profile works in Cambridge's premier concert hall. During term time, the Society has kept up a steady stream of recitals and smaller concerts, particularly the 'Music on Monday' series, which has provided a range of performance

opportunities for musicians of all styles from Queens' and indeed a few friends from further afield.

As well as performances, the Society has kept up its long tradition of fine social events for musicians and supporters. The annual dinner was an elegant occasion, while the 2015 garden party and concert saw over 100 guests entertained by the Vivaldi *Double Violin Concerto* and Britten's *Simple Symphony*, before emerging onto the Erasmus Lawn to bask in the summer sunshine with scones, strawberries and a welcome glass of prosecco. We are also very pleased to report that MagSoc continues to offer the finest after-concert parties for performers, and that the societal stock of gin and tonic remains well serviced.

We would like to thank all of those alumni and others who, through Friends of Queens' Music or other schemes, have helped keep Queens' College music firmly on the University map, and without whom we would not be able to offer such fantastic music-making opportunities to Queens' members.

President: Alexander Hardwick
Secretary: Ben Morris

THE ALUMNI RECORD

DEATHS

We regret to announce the deaths of the following Members of the College.

Professor Colin G. Butler, O.B.E., F.R.S. (1931)
 Dr Edward T.C. Tewson (1933)
 Philip G. Pointer (1934)
 Peter J. Bell, M.B.E. (1937)
 Dr Richard H. Wheeler, F.R.C.P. (1937)
 William H.R. Jones, D.F.C. (1938)
 Jack Kershaw (1939)
 John M. Mallalieu (1939) in 2013
 John E.H. Orr-Ewing, M.B.E., M.C. (1939)
 Kenneth C. Waghorne (1939)
 Dr Richard H. Wilkinson, F.R.C.Path. (1939)
 Dr John (Jack) Harwood (1940)
 Maurice Kerridge (1940)
 Oliver B. St John (1940)
 Professor H. Peter Gray (1942E)
 Sir Andrew G. Derbyshire, R.I.B.A., F.R.S.A. (1942)
 George W. Humphreys (1942)
 Dr Geoffrey J. Phillips (1942)
 Alan J.E. Rigby (1942)
 Dr Thomas J. Roberts (1942) in 2013
 Kennet R. Smyth-Osbourne (1942)
 Ronald C. Cripps (1943)
 Peter H. Kent (1943)
 The Revd Canon Roger G. Robinson (1943)
 John C. Taylor (1943)
 John C.M. Currie, F.R.C.S. (1944)
 Alan G.E. East (1944)
 John R. Clive (1945)
 Peter A. de Giles (1945)
 The Revd Canon Raymond J. Knell (1945)
 Edward. H. Nichols, C.B.E. (1945)
 Professor A. Charles Tomlinson, C.B.E. (1945)
 David Bryant (1946)
 Professor Ronald L. Huckstep, C.M.G., F.R.C.S. (1946)
 Captain Michael F. Law, R.N. (1946)
 Professor David L. Snellgrove, D.Litt., F.B.A. (1946)

John Webster (1946)
Frederick D.D. Winston (1946) in 2013
Dr John K. Wright, O.B.E. (1946)
Dr Peter Barnes (1947)
G. R. ('Charles') Canner (1947)
The Revd Arthur Nelson (1948) in 2014
Donald G. Alcock (1949)
Peter A. Down, R.I.B.A. (1949)
Arthur de W. Mathewson (1949) in 2014
The Revd David A. Quine (1949)
Professor Peter S. Wharton (1949) in 2014
Professor Geoffrey P. Wilson (1949)
J. Martin Riley (1950)
Professor John A. Bossy (1951)
J. Angwin C. Marples (1951)
Roberts B. Owen (1951)
J. Guy Wibberley (1951)
Peter M. Adorian (1953)
Richard W. Davies (1953)
P. Jeremy de W. Kitcat (1953)
Brian H. Lewis (1953)
The Rt Revd Colin J.F. Scott (1953) in 2014
John A. Vaughan-Russell (1953)
Alan Cross (1954)
Garth Davidson (1954)
Dr Malcolm J. Mitchinson, M.R.C.Path. (1954)
Professor Peter Mathias, C.B.E., F.B.A., F.R.H.S. (1955)
P. Ian Pieris (1955)
Dr John M. Newbery (1956)
Professor J. Michael Pendlebury (1956)
Professor John H. Rogerson (1957)
Christopher C. Dyment (1958)
H. Nicholas Hargreaves (1958)
Malcolm G. Craddock (1959)
George A. Hayter (1959)
Keith Tayler (1959)
Admiral Sir Peter C. Abbott, G.B.E., K.C.B. (1960)
Gerard R. Blackwell (1960)
Professor James Ware (1960)
Dr Robin A.P. Harrison (1961)

John Santer (1963)
Professor Robert S. Wistrich (1963)
The Revd Stephen G. Bowen (1965)
Professor Ajit Singh (1965)
Declan J. Duff (1966)
Dr Barry M. Scott (1966)
Michael W. Helliwell (1967)
Robert L. Williamson (1967) in 2014
Dr Alan G. Tyson (1968)
David J. Bee (1969)
J. Christopher Meigh (1969)
Peter E. Gawne (1971)
Richard D. Gilbey (1971)
Duncan J. D. Lewis (1971)
Professor David I. Cesarani, O.B.E. (1976)
Thomas F. McDermott (1978)
Karl W. Stokes (1978) in 2013
Ian R. Forsyth (1979)
Ian M. Mulholland (1979) in 2014
David J. Simpson (1984)
Graham L. Parker (1987)
Nathaniel K.J. Billington (1989)
Simon Bowes (1995) in 2013
Mrs Rebecca E. Lemon (née John) (1996)
Rachel S.J. McSorley (2006)
Daniel Mortin (2009)

OBITUARIES

Professor C.G. Butler, Ph.D., F.R.P.S., F.I.Biol., O.B.E., F.R.S. (1931) aged 102. Colin Butler was born in Horsham and educated at Monkton Combe School, Bath. He came up to Queens' to read Natural Sciences in 1931 and specialised in Zoology and Comparative Anatomy for Part II in 1935. He stayed on at Queens' to study for a Ph.D. and won a Research Scholarship to become Superintendent of the University's Entomological Field Station, researching on locusts and white flies. In 1939 he moved to the Rothamsted Experimental Station at Harpenden and was appointed Head of the Bee Department. He was retained there in post throughout the War as the Government sought to optimise food production and encouraged research into pollination. He also set up an advisory service on bee diseases and was instrumental in formulating the Foul Brood Diseases of Bee Order of 1942, a pioneering disease control measure. His most dramatic scientific breakthrough came in the 1950s and was the discovery of 'queen substance', the pheromone which inhibits workers from rearing queen bees and also attracts drones to queens. When a queen dies or is removed from her hive, workers soon begin to rear a new queen - it was always thought that the queen must emit a smell to keep the other bees aware of her presence, but Butler showed that the workers must be able physically to contact the queen to ensure the hive's loyalty. He showed that the substance is produced by the mandibular glands and that workers lick this substance from the queen's body. With collaborators he was able to identify and synthesise the chemical and also found that it acted as a 'sex-attractant' for drones when the queen is on her 'nuptial flight'. He later discovered a second substance which inhibits workers from queen-rearing. His experiments and discoveries transformed our understanding of the social behaviour of bees. Publications included *The World of the Honey Bee* (1954) and *Bumblebees* (1959 with John B Free), both considered classics. His achievements were recognised by his election to a Fellowship of the Royal Society and the award of an OBE in 1970. In 1972 he became Head of Entomology at Rothamsted, continuing to work there until he retired in 1976. He was Treasurer and President of the Royal Entomological Society and President of the International Union for Study of Social Insects. On retirement he moved to Cornwall, where he served on the local National Trust Committee and was President of Cornwall Naturalists, as well as enjoying fishing and sailing. Finally he returned to the Cambridge area to be near family. Latterly he lived in a retirement home in Cambridge and was entertained to tea at College by the President on his 100th birthday.

P.J. Bell, M.B.E. (1937) aged 97. Peter Bell was born in Berkhamsted in 1918. After spells living in London and on the North Downs, the family returned to Berkhamsted in 1932 and he attended Berkhamsted Boys School. At school he played a lot of sport, especially rugby, cricket, athletics and boxing, and developed a keen interest, encouraged by his father who was a naturalist and entomologist, in the natural world. He came up to Queens' in 1937 to read Natural Sciences but his studies were interrupted by the War. He was commissioned in the Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry and saw service in North Africa, the

Middle East and Southern Europe. He was wounded in action and finished the War as a Major. After demobilisation he joined a publishing company, then became a news writer and political correspondent for the agricultural journal *Farmer and Stockbreeder*. He also wrote freelance for several countryside and veterinary journals, won many journalism awards (including three IPC Newswriter of the Year awards) and was awarded the M.B.E. in 1977 for services to agricultural journalism. He later worked for the National Farmers' Union in-house journal *British Farmer*. With his trademark handlebar moustache and boundless energy, he was a greatly respected member of the farming press and always retained a huge interest in animals, plants and rural people. He was awarded Honorary Membership of the British Veterinary Association and became General Secretary, Chairman, President and Senior Fellow of the Guild of Agricultural Journalists. He broadcast frequently on the BBC farming programme and travelled widely comparing animal health and welfare issues throughout the world. He was a devoted family man and retired in 1983 to Dorset and later to Somerset. A committed Christian all his life, he continued to serve the church in a variety of ways into his nineties from writing for parish magazines to organising events for the local British Legion.

J.C. Hunter, F.C.A. (1938) aged 94. John Hunter was born in Wimbledon in 1920 and moved to Guildford in 1925. He was a chorister at Winchester Cathedral from 1929 to 1934, singing under the direction of William Prendergast and Harold Rhodes, first at the old Cathedral Choir School and then at The Pilgrims' School, which opened in 1931. He won a scholarship to Dean Close School in Cheltenham before coming up to Queens' in 1938, where he studied History and was awarded a War Degree in 1940. His War Service began with the 2nd Battalion Manchester Regiment and then 143 Special Service Company. He fought in the 1942/1943 and 1943/1944 Arakan Campaigns and in the 1944/1945 North Burma Campaign, during which he was severely wounded and invalided home. In 1945 he joined the Sudan Political Service and worked there for the next nine years until Sudan became independent, as Assistant District Commissioner, Inspector of Finance and as a Resident Magistrate, becoming fluent in Arabic. He then retrained as a Chartered Accountant and from 1958 to 1983 he was a partner in W B Keen & Co, latterly, after several mergers, Fraser Keen. In retirement he was a Governor of Greenacre School, Banstead, and also of Gordon's School, West End. He was a volunteer guide at Guildford Cathedral for almost 30 years until 2013, and for part of that time he was also the Cathedral's official photographer. In recognition of his service to the Cathedral and to the local community in Guildford, he received the Queen's Maundy Money, presented by Her Majesty at the 2006 Royal Maundy Service held in Guildford Cathedral. He was Hon. Treasurer of the Sudan Church Association and also held the positions of Trustee, Chairman and Vice-Chairman of various Guildford charities, and Vice Chairman of the Winchester Cathedral Old Choristers' Association. A pianist and a violinist as well as a singer, he pursued lifelong interests in church music and in English song, in history and in photography (readily converting from analogue to digital when the technology moved on). His brother, Brian Hunter (1935), was also at Queens', as were his sons, Geoffrey Hunter (1977) and Robert Hunter (1979).

W.H.R. Jones, D.F.C. (1938) aged 96. Bill Jones was born and brought up in Chester and attended Dean Close School in Cheltenham. At school he acquired a facility for writing comic verse and later even wrote 'Odd Odes' for the comedian Cyril Fletcher. He was also a very keen sportsman. He came up to Queens' in 1938 to read Law, but in 1940 he joined the R.A.F. and trained as a pilot. He flew Beaufort and later Beaufighter aircraft in Coastal Command. During the War he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and was mentioned in dispatches. After the War he returned to the Law, qualifying as a solicitor in 1948. He became a Partner in the Chester Firm, Mason & Moore Dutton, until, in 1975, he was appointed to the Judiciary. He served as a District Judge until he retired in 1990. Sport continued to play an important part in his life into his 90s. As a young man he played hockey for England and also captained the Cheshire County Cricket team. He was a keen golfer almost to the end of his life. He also had a great interest in photography and was much involved in amateur dramatics.

J. Kershaw (1939) aged 93. Jack Kershaw was from a Yorkshire family, but his early years were spent at Villers-Bretonneux in the Département of the Somme in France where his father was a gardener with the Imperial War Graves Commission. Jack first attended the village school and then, living with relatives during school term, Keighley Grammar School. He was awarded a County Scholarship to read Modern Languages at Queens', matriculating in 1939, winning an Exhibition in 1940. Having completed Part I of the Tripos, sufficient under wartime regulations for the award of a BA, he joined the Army. From 1943 he was with the Intelligence Corps attached to the 6th Airborne Division, serving in the parachute landings immediately before D-Day, the crossing of the Rhine and the advance to the Baltic. After the European campaign, he fought in Singapore and Java. Under a scheme for the release of men who were scholars, he was eventually able to return to Cambridge for the Easter Term of 1946, and complete Part II of the Tripos in 1947. In later years he spoke little of the War. His career after Queens' was in the film industry, working for Kodak, Technicolor and others. He was in India with Kodak until the late 1950s, returning to England but continuing to travel extensively and living for a time in France and the Netherlands. His long and healthy retirement was spent at the family house in Hertfordshire with his wife, to whom he was married for over sixty years, until he died after a brief illness in May 2015. His son Michael followed him to Queens' in 1975.

J.E.H. Orr-Ewing, M.B.E., M.C. (1939) aged 95. John Orr-Ewing was born in Wimbledon but spent much of his childhood in Jerusalem, where his father practised as a doctor. He was educated at St Clair, Walmer, and Monkton Combe School. In October 1939 he came to Queens' to read Law but left after a year to join the Army. He later trained with the Special Operations Executive and, in late summer 1944, as a Captain in the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, he was parachuted into Northern Italy behind enemy lines. Mainly wearing civilian clothes his task was to train and assist the partisans in the area and this he did until the end of the War, receiving the Military Cross for his exploits in 1945. After demobilisation he returned to Queens' (now to read Modern Languages) and fully participated in various

sports, especially hockey (he played for the Wanderers). He was active in the Christian Union and was at Queens' for the Quincentenary and royal visit in 1948. After graduation, John served in the Colonial Service in Northern Rhodesia (now Zambia) until independence. He was awarded the MBE for his services abroad. On return to the UK, he became Registrar of Wye Agricultural College (part of the University of London) in Kent until retirement in 1985. In 1980 he was asked to assist in organising the elections in Zimbabwe (at which Robert Mugabe came to power) and was in Africa for several months. John was a cheerful man of wide interests, much involved in the local church as a Reader and, with his wife Kathleen to whom he was married for 61 years, in the welcoming of overseas students. He also enjoyed golf and tennis. He had a long and active retirement, until the final years of increasing frailty. In his mid-eighties he revisited the parts of Northern Italy where he had been during the War and was moved by the warmth of the welcome he received from the families he had known there sixty years earlier. He was the brother-in-law of George Spear (1934) and Dick Spear (1936, obituary 2015 *Record*).

Dr R.H.C. Robins, M.B., B.Ch. (1942L) aged 91. Robert Robins was the son of a bank manager in High Wycombe. He went to Aldenham School, Herts., and came up to Queens' in the Lent Term of 1942. He was President of the Medical Society whilst at College and much involved with the St Margaret Society. In 1944, on graduation, he moved on to St Bartholomew's Hospital in London for his clinical training and then to the Royal United Hospital in Bath. After a variety of trainee posts, he was called up for National Service and served as a Ship's Doctor in the Merchant Navy on the South American route. He was awarded the Luccock Medical Research Fellowship and became a surgeon in Newcastle, where he began to focus almost exclusively on surgery of the hand. He then moved to the Princess Elizabeth Orthopaedic Hospital in Exeter, one of the hospitals pioneering orthopaedic surgery as a distinct speciality. In 1961 'Robbie' became a consultant orthopaedic surgeon at the Royal Cornwall Hospital in Truro, continuing his speciality work on the hand as well as more general orthopaedic surgery. He published *Injuries and Infections of the Hand* in 1961. He served on both the regional and area health authorities and travelled to Czechoslovakia and Hungary as a British Council Fellow. He was a founder member of the 'Second Hand Club', a group of young surgeons developing hand surgery. Their published proceedings developed into 'The Journal of Hand Surgery', the first journal devoted to that speciality, and he served as President of the Society. He was one of the key people in the establishment of the Duchy Hospital, the first private hospital in the County and chaired its council. When, in due course, it was sold, the proceeds were invested to form a charitable trust for the benefit of local organisations and Robert served as President. He was a keen gardener, opening his own garden to the public from time to time, and had a deep interest in the life and history of Cornwall. He was a great friend to many local artists, particularly Barbara Hepworth, who made a piece for him. He was also a keen fisherman and sailor and loved Morris Dancing – setting up three Morris rings during his life.

Professor H.P. Gray, Ph.D. (1942E) aged 91. Peter Gray was born in Cheltenham and was a pupil at Cheltenham Grammar School. He initially came up to Queens' in the Easter Term of 1942 before joining the R.A.F. He served as a pilot in the Second World War. He returned to Queens' after the War to read Modern Languages (French and German) and graduated in 1949. However, like many of his contemporaries who were granted 'War Degrees' after two years, he opted to return to Queens' for a third year to read Part I Economics. In 1953 he emigrated to Canada and in 1956 moved on to the United States. He studied for a Ph.D. in Economics at the University of California, Berkeley. He then took up a Fellowship at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. He was appointed to a professorship at Wayne State University in Detroit, then, in 1968, he accepted the Chair of International Business and Economics at Rutgers University in New Jersey and also became Professor of Economics and Management at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. He remained at these institutions in New Jersey until retirement in 1990. During his long academic career he wrote or co-wrote 22 books, including the notable *Global Economic Involvement: A Synthesis of Modern International Economics* (1999), and over 150 academic articles. He was President of the Eastern Economics Association and the International Trade and Finance Association. He taught at universities in Thailand, China, Denmark and Costa Rica as well as giving lectures for the United States Information Agency in many other countries across the Middle East, Asia and the Pacific. He was the Esme Fairbairn Research Fellow at the University of Reading during a sabbatical in England. He acted as a Consultant for the US Office of Technology Assessment, the World Bank, the International Labour Organisation and the International Monetary Fund. In his leisure time he was a keen scuba diver and loved solving crossword puzzles. He attended the theatre regularly, enjoyed good food and wine in the company of friends and was an ardent reader of murder mysteries. Latterly he lived in Belle Mead, New Jersey but kept in touch with Queens', supporting the College financially.

Sir Andrew G Derbyshire, D.Univ.*h.c.*(York), R.I.B.A., F.S.I.A.D., F.R.S.A. (1942) aged 92. Andrew Derbyshire was born and brought up in Chesterfield, Derbyshire, where his father was a draper. He came to Queens' from Chesterfield Grammar School in 1942 to read Natural Sciences, specialising in Physics. From College he joined the Royal Navy for a brief spell, repairing ships' direction-finding equipment. An interest in operational research developed and he joined the Building Research Station. From there he decided to train as an architect at the Architectural Association. Planning as much as designing fascinated him. He started his professional career with the Central Electricity Generating Board working on new power stations, but moved from there into school design in the West Riding of Yorkshire. He was subsequently appointed Deputy City Architect for Sheffield, where one of his notable designs was the Castle Market (demolished in 2015). He became part of a group determined to reform and professionalise the architectural profession, run in the 1950s by the Royal Institute of British Architects in a gentlemanly but rather old-fashioned and disorganised way. Andrew organised a seminal survey of the profession, *The Architect*

and his Office, published in 1962. He had by then been head-hunted to join the thriving architectural firm RMJM & Partners. He preferred to work as part of a team as a collaborator rather than an individual designer himself though he had a profound influence on many of RMJM's important buildings. The firm had, in particular, secured the contract for the new University of York. Andrew supplied much of the practical side of the design and the organisation to implement the vision of the Vice-Chancellor and succeeded in persuading all concerned of the necessity of building the large Central Hall to give some cohesion to the whole. He headed the team for the design of the last of the 'new towns' (around Preston, Chorley and Leyland) but little of his vision was realised in the face of economic decline and the decrease in architectural work from the public sector in the 1970s. In 1981 he was nominated as President of the RIBA but, seen by then as a representative of the outdated public service ethos of the architectural establishment, he was defeated by a candidate from private practice. He served on the council of the RIBA 1958-72 and 1975-81. RMJM's signature building of the 1970s was the Hillingdon Civic Centre with quirky pitched roofs and brickwork, uncharacteristic of the modernist times but seen by Derbyshire as an example of architects listening to the tastes of their clients. He eventually became Chairman and then President of RMJM, revitalised its London office and started a branch in South-East Asia. He served on a number of Government research committees and advisory councils and was Chair of the Planning Committee for the London Docklands Development Corporation. He was knighted for services to architecture in 1986. From 1978-80 he was Hoffman Wood Professor of Architecture, University of Leeds, and later Gresham Professor of Rhetoric 1990-92. He was something of an opponent of the conservation movement. In retirement he became an expert in advising people how to stop their buildings becoming listed. Though always courteous, he liked nothing better than a good argument, especially about buildings he thought anachronistic in planning or design. He and his family lived in a house he had built himself in Hatfield.

R.F. McBride (1944) aged 88. Richard McBride was educated at Henry Mellish Grammar School, Bulwell, Nottinghamshire, and came up to Queens' to read Mathematics in 1944. He obtained firsts in both Part I and Part II of the Tripos and rowed for the College – he became a life-long member of the Boar's Head Club. A great lover of the outdoors and the natural world and always physically active, he considered a career in farming but his true vocation was teaching. He began his career at Chester Grammar School and then in 1975 moved to Loughborough Grammar School as Head of Maths. He is remembered for his courtesy in the staff room and for running a well-organised department. He had a real love for and expertise in Maths and delighted in challenging well-motivated boys. He introduced orienteering to the school and soon had over 100 boys and staff involved at weekends. Ill health forced him to retire early in 1983. He became much-involved in the charity Water Aid, even visiting a project in Uganda. He also continued to garden and walk, even if these activities were somewhat curtailed as he grew older, and he delighted in sharing his extensive knowledge

of trees, flowers and birds with his family. He was for 40 years a member of the local rambling club and also a faithful church member. He joined enthusiastically in visits to Loughborough's twin towns of Epinal and Schwabisch, making many friends.

The Revd Canon R.J. Knell (1945) aged 87. Ray Knell was born near Bournemouth in 1927 and brought up in Weymouth. He was educated at Weymouth Grammar School before embarking on National Service working as a clerk in the War Office. He came up to Queens' in 1945 to read Theology (having known from childhood that the Church was going to be his career). Whilst at College he became an active member of the Cambridge Christian Union, CICCUC, and completed his studies at Ridley Hall. He went on several 'missions' to the North East, loved the area and stayed there for the rest of his life. He was ordained in 1958; his first ministry was at St Oswald's, Hebburn, a difficult urban ministry on Tyneside. He stayed there for nine years before moving to Castleside, a rural parish in County Durham. In 1976 he moved to St Mary's, Heworth, Gateshead. In his 17 years there, he further developed his evident pastoral and teaching skills and mentored six curates, one of whom, to his delight, went on to become a bishop. He also strongly promoted the admission of women into the clergy. He was a lifelong member of the Third Order of the Society of St Francis, assisting in the training of Novices as Novice Guardian and Spiritual Advisor. He was one of the earliest members of Affirming Catholicism, was Rural Dean of Gateshead 1983-87 and became an Honorary Canon of Durham Cathedral in 1987. In retirement he developed a 'ministry of bereavement', carried out in addition to the 'occasional offices' so often expected of retired clergy in the Church of England. Ray was very sociable and gregarious; he joined various clubs and societies, the chief of these being the Rotary Club, of which he was made President several times, and the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of Saint John of Jerusalem in which he was invested as a Knight in 1997. He was good company, famous for keeping a good table and loving fine wines. He loved fell-walking, driving for pleasure, travelling abroad, especially in France, singing in a local choir and going to classical music concerts and the theatre. He will be remembered most for being 'Father Ray', a kindly, compassionate man of deep faith and spirituality and a parish priest who loved people of all walks of life and who sought always to be of service.

J. Webster, M.C., J.P. (1946L) aged 93. John Webster was born in Prescott, Lancashire, and educated at Prescott Grammar School. On leaving school, he joined the Army and was commissioned in the Royal Scots. By April 1945 he was a Captain and a Senior Liaison Officer with 44th (Lowland) Infantry Brigade HQ in North Germany. Sent on 13th April to find and link up with an Armoured Division column, he noticed some strange white buildings through some trees and went to investigate. They proved to be a deserted military barracks, but behind the buildings there was some sort of camp. What he found there remained with him for the rest of his life. Emaciated men and women in blue and white striped garments wandered round paying no attention to him, there were pits filled with bodies and hundreds lay sick and dying – he had stumbled upon Bergen Belsen Concentration Camp. Before long

other troops arrived to take over but it is quite possible that he was the first allied soldier to enter the camp. Only a few days later on 29 April he was in charge of the disembarkation and dispersal of the Brigade's vehicles at the crossing of the River Elbe. His professional handling of the task and personal bravery under intense fire earned him an immediate Military Cross. On demobilisation he was offered a place at Queens' to read English and came up in January 1946, graduating in 1947. He became a schoolmaster, teaching initially at Holt High School, Liverpool, before becoming Head of English at the Liverpool Institute (where his pupils included George Harrison and Paul McCartney). A great believer in equality of opportunity through education, he was appointed Headmaster of Gillingham Grammar School in 1956 and tasked with overseeing its amalgamation with a local secondary modern school to become a comprehensive school, the first in North Dorset. The merger became a model for such amalgamations across the country. He was Chair of the Southern Region Examinations Board and was a key figure in the merging of 'O' levels and CSEs to become GCSEs. He also served as a magistrate in Dorset for many years. He retired to Ledbury in Herefordshire and enjoyed time with his family, restoring clocks and taking walking holidays in the Lake District and Scotland. In recognition of his wartime service, he was made a Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur by France a week before his death.

Professor R.L. Huckstep, C.M.G., M.D., F.R.C.S., F.R.C.S.E., F.R.A.C.S., F.A.Ortho.A. (1946) aged 88. Ronald Huckstep was born in Chefoo in Northern China where his parents were teachers. His father later became the Director of Education for the Shanghai Municipal Council. When the Japanese took over that part of China in 1941, the family were placed under house arrest, though Ronald was able to begin some engineering studies at Aurora French University. However, in 1943, the family were sent to the Lungwha Internment Camp, where they were incarcerated until the Japanese surrender. In the camp Ronald was tutored and mentored by Dr Donald Cater (one of the founders of Queens' Medical Society in the 1920s) and, on repatriation to the UK and with a recommendation from Dr Cater, he was able to obtain a place at Queens' to read Natural Sciences for Medicine in 1946. At Queens' he played tennis and rugby, swam and rowed for the College and graduated (under wartime regulations) in 1948. He completed his clinical training at the Middlesex Hospital and was a House Officer there. In 1952 he went to Kenya to work both in the hospitals in Nairobi and in the Manyani Prison Camp, which housed a large number of Mau Mau detainees. There was a serious outbreak of typhoid in the camp and the meticulous notes he kept and the protocols he developed as he cared for the patients became the basis of a Cambridge MD thesis. A subsequent book he wrote on the disease was used throughout the world and formed the basis for his submission for the award of a Hunterian Professorship by the Royal College of Surgeons in 1959. In 1960 he returned to Africa as Professor of Orthopaedics at the University of Makerere in Uganda. There he became particularly involved in the management of polio and for his work he was created a Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George in 1971. In 1972 he moved to Sydney as Foundation Professor of Orthopaedic and Trauma

Surgery at the University of New South Wales and the Prince of Wales Hospital. He wrote *A Simple Guide to Orthopaedics* which has gone through several editions and developed a locked intermedullary femoral nail, now known as 'The Huckstep Nail'. He remained an active member of the British Orthopaedic Association and was a founding member of World Orthopaedic Concern. He spent a lot of time in several developing countries as an orthopaedics consultant and, despite formal retirement in 1993, continued to take on commitments in Sydney and elsewhere on a part-time basis and his influence stretched over six continents. An associate once commented that he had helped more people worldwide than the rest of his colleagues put together. His brother John followed him to Queens' in 1948.

Dr P. Barnes (1947) aged 87. Peter Barnes was born in Ceylon, the son of a vet turned rubber plantation manager. At the age of three he was packed off to the UK to go to school, staying with relatives on a farm in Somerset during school holidays. He attended Blundell's School and came to Queens' to read Natural Sciences as a medical student in 1947. A great sportsman, he represented Queens' at cricket and won an Athletics Blue. He went on to Trinity College, Dublin, and the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland to study for his clinical qualifications. In 1953 he joined the Merchant Navy as a Medical Officer, sailing twice round the world. He once performed an emergency appendectomy in the middle of the Southern Ocean with minimal equipment. On return to the UK he became a General Practitioner, first in Much Wenlock and then in the early 1960s founding a practice in the Wombourne area of Wolverhampton, before moving on to Penn. Always keen on sport and a stalwart of the local golf club (he became Captain of the South Staffs Club), he used also, for a couple of years, to help out with a water-sport school in Spain in the summer. In 1993, he left General Practice and retrained in Occupational Health Medicine at Birmingham University, working for companies including Goodyear and the Wolverhampton Express and Star as well as Telford Occupational Health Service. He finally retired in 2003 and moved to Bridgnorth, but, when his wife became seriously ill, they moved to a village near Knutsford in Cheshire to be near one of their daughters. Remembered as a gentle, kind and unflappable man, with a dry sense of humour, tributes called him "the definition of an 'old-school' gentleman". He was always willing to put himself out for others and had a tendency to see the best in people, a trait which occasionally infuriated his daughters. He was the nephew of Dr Leonard Haydon (Queens' 1920).

J.A.V. Richard (1947) aged 90. 'Jean Adolphe Victor' Richard (his father was half French, half German) always preferred to be known as 'Tom'. He attended University College School in London and came up to Queens' in 1947 after distinguished war service in the Army in Italy and Palestine. He had a lifelong love of sport and whilst at Queens' was a keen rugby and cricket player. He read Economics and then History. Just before finals he discovered he had TB in both lungs after attending a mobile screening unit. This changed his career plans. He recuperated in Megève, where his young doctor, who had been in the French Resistance, in contradiction to the advice of his English doctors, encouraged him to continue enjoying life as before. On returning to England, he joined the family firm, The French Clock House,

importing clocks and watches from Switzerland, France and Germany. This enabled him to indulge another of his interests, travel. In the 1970s he moved from London to Hemingford Grey - he loved the Cambridgeshire countryside. On retirement he kept busy, working for the Citizens Advice Bureau and as a Patient's Advocate at Hinchingsbrooke Hospital. He was noted for his droll sense of humour. He was assiduous in attending functions at Queens' and was instantly recognisable because of his impressive moustache, which he had cultivated since the age of 17. He bore his final illness with dignity and stoicism.

The Revd A. Nelson, B.D. (1948) aged 88. Arthur Nelson was brought up in the Great Lever area of Bolton. Attendance at the Methodist Church on Lever Street was a major part of family life. After gaining the necessary qualifications to go to Cambridge, he was called up in 1944 for military service and joined the RAF. As a linguist he was given specialist training and worked with a team who listened in to Japanese radio. Returning to the UK, he came up to Queens' in 1948 to read Modern and Medieval Languages (French and German). On graduation he moved on to Hartley Victoria College in Manchester to do a BD course, preparing for ordination to the Methodist ministry. After a probationary year away in Glasgow, he was posted to some mining villages near Whitehaven in Cumbria. After five years based at Cleator Moor, he spent the next forty years in towns, always just a bus or train ride from Manchester. First he was the Minister in Whitefield, then he and his family moved to Stockport. Next there was a posting to New Mills, before moving on to Widnes as Superintendent. After some years across the water on the Wirral, his final posting was to Todmorden, out in the Pennines, eventually he 'sat down', moving in retirement to Cheadle. He was constantly learning new languages - Biblical Hebrew, then Syriac and Liturgical Ethiopic - as well as maintaining his knowledge of French, German and Russian, amongst others. On one occasion he appeared to be reading a Gospel passage in church rather slowly. A sharp eyed member of the family realised that Arthur was translating 'live' from his Greek Testament. For much of his life he 'enjoyed' (as his daughter has put it) ill health. A back injury led to recurring bouts of depression and at times a grim pessimistic outlook on life. An inflammatory condition of the eyes, leading to pain and poor vision was also a problem and, as he grew older, arthritis of the knees, chest infections and asthma sapped his energy. He could be quite awkward; his dislike of more or less all social events could be a trial and he didn't do small talk. He refused a cashpoint card, believing firmly that money would disappear from his account despite the built-in security measures; he did not have a passport or a driving licence and never owned a property. He had no time for the religiously conservative or anyone who rejoiced in money. In retirement, he often preached at Holy Innocents, Fallowfield, St Christopher, Withington, and even at Menorah Synagogue in Gatley. He taught Hebrew to ordinands at Luther King House and was always happy to give advice on the pronunciation or translation of the Biblical languages. His work and Biblical scholarship were acknowledged in print by several scholars. Bookbinding was also an abiding hobby. A lifelong *Guardian* reader, he nevertheless saw it as his task to put the paper right

if ever it stepped from the paths of politeness. His contribution to the Faith and Order Committee of the Methodist Church included work on the Methodist Service book and later The Methodist Worship Book. His theology made him at home with the work of the Affirming Catholicism movement in the Church of England and with groups working for social justice and responsibility everywhere.

J.M. Riley (1950) aged 83. Martin Riley was born in Walton-on-Thames and brought up in Roehampton (he narrowly escaped death when incendiary bombs bounced off the roof of the family home during the London blitz). He attended Bradfield College in Berkshire before coming up to Queens' in 1950 to read History. After graduation he worked at Lloyds of London for five years before deciding to train as a Solicitor. He did his articles in Oxford and then joined Mercers Solicitors in Henley in 1963. He worked there until retirement in 1995, becoming Senior Partner in 1977. He was adept at spotting potential in applications for the staff, many of whom remained at the firm all their working lives. He was an Oxfordshire County Councillor 1970-81, sitting first as a Liberal and then as an Independent. He also served as Chairman of Turner's Court, Nuffield, originally a charitable institution for disadvantaged young men, later a reformatory school. He lived in Suffolk in retirement where he wrote a number of poems and hymns and also wrote a book about his ancestor Elizabeth Cook, the wife of the explorer Captain James Cook.

R.B. Owen (1951) aged 90. Roberts B Owen Jr spent most of his life in Washington, D.C., but was born in Boston. He graduated from Phillips Exeter Academy during the War and immediately enlisted in the U.S. Navy. He spent three years ferrying German prisoners-of-war across the Atlantic. He then attended Harvard University, graduating in 1948, and went on to take a law degree from Harvard Law School. He came to Queens' for a year in 1951 to further his legal studies on a Fulbright Scholarship. He joined the Washington law firm Covington and Burley in 1952 and became a partner in 1960. His reputation was based on arguing anti-trust cases before the Supreme Court and also through his involvement with local issues – in 1970 he was part of the legal team that prevented the construction of a controversial bridge across the Potomac that would have disrupted a whole neighbourhood of the city. In 1979 he was named the Legal Advisor of the State Department, heading its 120 person legal team. A few weeks later the American Embassy in Tehran was seized and he became heavily involved in the ensuing hostage crisis. Along with Warren Christopher, the Deputy Secretary of State who became a personal friend, he approached the International Court of Justice to obtain their release and co-ordinated the efforts to establish economic sanctions on Iran and freeze that country's assets at home and abroad until the hostages were set free. After President Carter left office, Roberts returned to Covington. His legal work included membership of the Permanent Court of Arbitration in The Hague. He was recruited again by the State Department in 1995 to serve as a Senior Advisor on Bosnia. He was heavily involved in drafting the accords that formed the basis of a peace settlement but remained involved after the end of the war in Bosnia as Presiding Arbitrator of the special International Court

of Justice tribunal, settling such matters as the control of the town of Brcko on the frontier between Serbian-controlled and Croat and Bosnian Muslim-controlled areas. His solution to the problem remains in place to this day. He retired from Covington as a Senior Counsel in 1996. In the early 2000s he was Vice-Chairman of the Claims Resolution Tribunal for dormant accounts in Zurich, arbitrating claims from the families of victims of the Holocaust to the contents of Swiss bank accounts. He loved sailing all his life and competed on his yawl in eight Bermuda Races.

R.W. Davies (1953) aged 81. Richard Davies attended Charterhouse, where he is remembered for his contributions to school productions, his art and his leadership of the school Cadet Corps. He spent two years on National Service as a Second Lieutenant in the Royal Horse Artillery, mainly in Germany. He came up to Queens' in 1953 to read Architecture and distinguished himself doing stagecraft for ADC productions as well as rowing and winning an oar in the May Bumps. On graduation he did three years' articles with a firm of accountants in the City of London and, on qualifying, joined the family firm of Davies and Newman for a short while. In 1961 he went to work for British Aluminium and in 1966 moved on to the textile industry in the Leicester area, playing a full part in the rationalisation of that industry. He returned eventually to British Aluminium before pursuing a portfolio of activities, ranging from advising small companies under a Government scheme to making furniture commercially to photographing oil paintings for a West End art gallery. He also managed the family investments. He became a magistrate, devoted ten years to Charterhouse-in-Southwark and served on two Government enquiries, one on the prison service and the other on motorway service stations. Richard had a great capacity for friendship and was always enormously enthusiastic about his various interests.

P.J. de W. Kitcat (1953) aged 81. Jeremy Kitcat arrived at Queens' from Oundle in 1953. He had won an Exhibition to read History but his first love was always English and this was evidenced by his participation in several Bats productions. From Cambridge he became a school master. He spent his working life teaching in "minor public schools", as he referred to them, but there have been hundreds of boys who benefitted from his somewhat anti-establishment approach to the teaching of History and English. He lived for many years in Seaton, Devon, whilst teaching at Allhallows School at Rousden, near Lyme Regis. While at Allhallows, Jeremy memorably created the 'Literary and Philosophical Society', for readings and discussion by members of his Sixth Form English group. He was always a keen sailor and would spend every summer holiday on his boat, sailing around the Channel Islands and the northern coast of Brittany. He was able to take early retirement in his mid-fifties and that allowed him to return to his love of acting. He got his Equity card and appeared in many 'pub-theatre' plays in Bristol and had minor television roles, culminating in a memorable appearance as the Earl in a short-lived series called *Servant*'. Sadly, his final years were dogged by heart and mobility issues - he had three hip replacements - and he could be seen, in his late seventies, terrorising the pavements of Exeter on his mobility scooter.

B.H. Lewis (1953) aged 81. Brian Lewis was born and brought up in Maidenhead in Berkshire and educated at Sutton Valence School. His father was the Director of an ICI Research Centre and a well-respected scientist. Brian came up to Queens' in 1953, after two years of National Service in the Education Corps and the Intelligence Corps as a Russian specialist, to read English. He gained a Half-Blue in Rugby. He was also a keen cricketer. He decided, on graduation, to enter the teaching profession and took a PGCE. Initially he taught at Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School in Crediton, Devon, but he had met a young lady from Tasmania and in 1960 he moved there to marry her. In 1963 he joined Mentone Grammar School in a suburb of Melbourne, Victoria, teaching primarily English, but also French and Russian. He rapidly moved through the ranks to become a Housemaster, Head of English, Officer Commanding the Cadet Unit and finally Deputy Headmaster. As a schoolmaster, Brian focussed particularly on pastoral care, though he was also an excellent administrator and able teacher – a quiet demeanour in class hiding a passion for his subject and an excellent self-deprecatory, ironic sense of humour. A compelling personality who believed in challenging his pupils, as Deputy Head he enjoyed great respect and authority, but was always willing to put himself out to help a student in trouble. In 1984 he 'retired' from Mentone to help in the early development of Newhaven College on Phillip Island, about 90 miles from Melbourne, where the family had a holiday home, but returned to Mentone to teach 1987-1989. There was then a final spell of teaching at Newhaven until 2002. From 2010 he helped in the archives at Mentone.

The Rt Revd C.J.F. Scott (1953) aged 80. Colin Scott came up to Queens' from Berkhamsted School in 1953 to read Natural Sciences, specialising in Physics for Part II. After graduation he spent two years at Ridley Hall Theological College in Cambridge and was ordained in 1958 to be Curate of St Barnabas, Clapham Common. A second curacy at St James, Hatcham, was followed by a 7-year stint as Vicar of St Mark's, Kennington, and from 1968 until 1971 he also took on the role of Rural Dean of Lambeth. He then served as Vice-Chairman of the Southwark Diocesan Pastoral Committee for six years and became an Honorary Canon of Southwark Cathedral in 1973. In 1977 he was appointed Team Rector of Sanderstead. He served there until his consecration as Bishop of Hulme, suffragan in the Diocese of Manchester, in 1984. Noted for his friendliness, gentleness and kindness, he was nevertheless an astute judge of character as well as a good source of advice and wisdom. He was Chair of the Council for the Care of Churches and a prominent member of the Anglican Pacifist Fellowship. He was a fine preacher and always seemed at home in churches of all traditions. He retired in 1998 and settled in Ashby-de-la-Zouch as an Honorary Assistant Bishop in the Diocese of Leicester, leading the Leicester Historic Churches Trust, interviewing potential ordinands and joining the congregation of St Helen's, Ashby. He was in very frail health for the last few years of his life. His grandson James came up to Queens' in 2014.

A. Cross, T.D., J.P. (1954) aged 79. Alan Cross grew up in Liverpool and went to school at the Liverpool Institute. He came up to Queens' in 1954 to read Mathematics. At College he

was Secretary of the Football Referees Society and a member of the OTC. On graduation he undertook National Service, serving mostly in Japan as an officer in the Royal Artillery. He continued to serve in the Territorial Army for many years, rising to the rank of Major. After National Service, Alan returned to the Liverpool Institute as a Mathematics teacher and also taught Maths at Quarry Bank School in Liverpool (these two schools at the time famously included among their pupils Paul McCartney and John Lennon respectively). He continued his University passion by qualifying as a Football League referee and linesman, officiating at many First Division matches and at Anfield for the testimonial for the World Cup winner Roger Hunt. He left teaching to become a Systems Analyst, then worked for United Biscuits in Liverpool as an Operational Research Manager until retirement. He served for over twenty years as a Justice of the Peace in Liverpool. He enjoyed crown green bowling (he was Treasurer of the local club) and umpiring cricket matches and was a keen member of Mensa and of a local bridge club, but above all he relished spending time with his family.

G. Davidson (1954) aged 82. Garth Davidson was born in 1933 in South London and was brought up in Sydenham, until he was evacuated to Watford during the War. He won a London County Council Scholarship to Dulwich College in 1946, where he particularly studied Classics and represented the school at rugby, athletics and tennis. He spent his National Service learning Russian in the Naval Division of the Joint Services Linguistic School. He came up to Queens' in 1954 to read Classics, played for the College at rugby and tennis and was a member of the Cambridge Pastorate (based at Holy Trinity Church). After a year taking an Education Diploma at the London Institute of Education, he worked from 1958 until 1969 as an Education Officer for the Overseas Civil Service in Northern Nigeria. In 1969 he returned to Dulwich College as a Classics master, becoming Deputy Head of and a sports housemaster in the Lower School, and Scout Master of the 25th Camberwell (school-based) Scout Troop. He was an active supporter of the school Christian Union. He was a lifelong member of Holy Trinity, Sydenham, and served as a churchwarden, PCC member, governor of the local primary school and chair of a local Lewisham voluntary services charity. In retirement he taught Latin at U3A and enjoyed music, swimming and gardening.

Dr J.M. Newbery, F.F.A.R.C.S. (1956) aged 77. John Newbery was a prize-winning student at Taunton School before coming up to Queens' in 1956 to read Natural Sciences as a medical student. At College he rowed in a medics' boat and was a keen member of Bats, memorably playing Antonio in a May Week production of *Much Ado about Nothing*. After graduating in 1959, he went on to Westminster Hospital for his clinical training. He worked as a hospital doctor in King's Lynn, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Peterborough and Cambridge before finally becoming a Consultant Anaesthetist at the Cumberland Infirmary, Carlisle. He continued to act for much of his life but also read extensively and enjoyed music, horse-riding and watching cricket.

Professor J.M. Pendlebury, Ph.D. (1956) aged 78. Mike Pendlebury was born in Burnley and educated at King George V Grammar School, Southport. He won a scholarship to Queens' and read Natural Sciences, gaining a first in Physics in Part II. He stayed on at Cambridge to study for a PhD, working on atomic beams. With his supervisor he moved in 1962 to the then new University of Sussex, helping to set up the Physics Department there. He stayed at Sussex for his whole career as an experimental physicist, building equipment himself and delighting in making precision measurements and understanding the theoretical relevance of his results. He was a pioneer in the use of computers and modern technology for both teaching and research. Much of his work was on neutrons and specifically on the measurement of their electric dipole moment. He is often described as the 'father' of ultra-cold neutron physics in the UK and set up cryogenically-based neutron sources in the basement at Sussex to help understand the fundamental properties of these sub-atomic particles. In the early 1970s, with French and German colleagues, he helped set up an ultra-cold neutron source at the Institut Laue-Langevin in Grenoble and eventually, in 1990, accepted the post of Academic Head of fundamental and nuclear physics at the Institute, a post which he held for five years. Slowly over his half a century of painstaking research more and more accurate measurements of the properties of neutrons have become possible. He also helped design, build and develop instruments at the Paul Scherrer Institute in Zurich. In 2003 he shared the Institute of Physics' Prize for High Energy Particle Physics and in 2007 jointly received the Chadwick Medal. Mike was a talented musician, playing the piano and singing in many choirs. He was a keen walker, whether in the Lake District or in the Alps round Grenoble. He also was a great DIY enthusiast and car mechanic. He was highly respected by colleagues, students and technicians alike. His enthusiasm for physics was undimmed by the years and, despite serious illness towards the end of his life, he kept up an email correspondence with colleagues to discuss all the latest papers until a few days before he died.

R.F. Streit (1956) aged 79. Robert Streit was born in Strawberry Hill in 1935. His parents were both Swiss, from the Bernese Oberland, and both had come to London to work for banks. Robert remained proud of his Swiss citizenship. He went to school at St. Paul's in London and, a piano player from childhood, he met there his lifelong friend and piano duet partner, the priest and theologian John Bowden. Robert came up to Queens' in 1956 to read Law, after National Service at Catterick. Robert's professional life remained in the law. He worked for a number of law firms and then as a Legal Advisor at the John Lewis Partnership, an organisation which many liken to an extended and rather all-absorbing family, calling for commitment and loyalty but giving support in return. He worked for John Lewis very happily for over 30 years. His musical life developed after his return to London. He sang with The New London Singers and often played the piano as an accompanist. He also took up the cello and played in a string quartet and various amateur orchestras. He was for many years a stalwart of St. John's, Notting Hill, where he served as its Treasurer. Later, with his partner, Jack de Gruiter, he became a member of All Saints, Margaret Street. They were often to be

seen together at Aldeburgh and Dartington or at the Wigmore Hall. Robert was a person of quiet, thoughtful and undemonstrative faith, described by his priest as a combination of Swiss and English reserve. He died after a brief fight with pancreatic cancer.

H. N. Hargreaves, M.Sc., C.Eng., T.D. (1958) aged 78. Nick Hargreaves was born in Reigate and attended the Leys School, Cambridge. After National Service with the Royal Artillery (he served another 12 years thereafter with the Territorial Army rising to the rank of Captain and earning his Territorial Decoration), he came up to Queens' in 1958 and read Engineering. He served an apprenticeship with Baker Perkins and gained an MSc from Birmingham University in Production Engineering. By the age of 29 he was a Production Manager in charge of 500 employees. He worked in Newcastle, Slough (Harris Intertype), then in the Manchester area as Managing Director for Delta Electrical Accessories Ltd, before becoming Chief Executive of Berl, and then holding directorships at Hamworthy Engineering and finally Warman. On retirement from corporate life he ran a very successful management consultancy. In retirement he enjoyed field sports, cricket at Lords as a Member of the MCC, wine tasting, especially as a 'Commandeur de Bordeaux', military history (he particularly enjoyed leading battlefield tours), opera and travel. He engaged in charitable work with Homes for Zimbabwe and the Army Benevolent Fund, the Soldier's Charity. He also served as President of the Old Leysian Society. He was a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Engineers, a Freeman of the City of London, a Fellow of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers and a Fellow of the Institute of Engineering and Technology.

M.G. Craddock (1959) aged 77. Malcolm Craddock was born in London and brought up in Harpenden, attending St Albans School. After two years' National Service, which he found "grim", he came up to Queens' with an exhibition to read History. Having hardly been to the cinema in his life, his imagination was caught by films whilst at Cambridge and he took every opportunity to go to visit the many cinemas in the city. He acted in the Bats, wrote for *Granta* Magazine and, most significantly, was Treasurer of the University Film Society. With the Society he was able to make a short documentary (about Poles stranded in the UK after the War) which was a useful launch pad into the film industry. He made his breakthrough when Joseph Losey, with whom he was working on the film *Modesty Blaise* (1966), asked to see a short film Malcolm had made and then added it to a season principally of his own works at the National Film Theatre. Malcolm co-founded Picture Palace, a television production company. For 14 years he mostly made TV commercials, but in 1985 he was asked to produce the comedy series *Tandoori Nights* for Channel 4. He also produced *The Orchid House* for the same channel. In the midst of all his TV work, in 1986, he made a feature film, *Ping Pong*, for Film Four International, set in London's Chinatown, which was showcased at the Venice Film Festival. From 1993-2008 he produced all five TV series and two films of *Sharpe* (based on the novels of Bernard Cornwell and starring Sean Bean). Another great success was the documentary for ITV *A Life for a Life* (1998), based on the miscarriage of justice case of Stefan Kisko, who had been in jail for 16 years for a murder

that he had not committed. This film was nominated for a BAFTA, won best single drama in the Prix Italia and won two awards from the Royal Television Society. In 2001 he made *Rebel Heart*, a four-episode mini-series about the Irish War of Independence, for the BBC. Malcolm was Churchwarden at St Mary's, Primrose Hill, for several years and was much involved in a project to offer refuge to people wishing to escape from gang warfare in North London. He was a great cricket fan, supporting Middlesex CCC, and spending time at Lord's whenever he was free; he was also a life-long supporter of Tottenham Hotspur FC.

G.A. Hayter (1959) aged 76. George Hayter was born in Woking, Surrey, the son of a Naval Officer (who died before he was 1) and grandson of Walter Hayter (Queens' 1884). He was educated at Malvern College and then undertook National Service in the Royal Navy, with sea service in *HMS Ocean* and *HMS Centaur* as a Midshipman Aircraft Director. During his training in 1958 he rescued two drowning men off the Pembrokeshire coast and received a commendation from the Royal Humane Society. He continued to serve in the Royal Navy Reserve until 1973. He came up to Queens' to read Natural Sciences in 1959. A big man, he was encouraged to row, learning from scratch, and was a member of the 1960 2nd Lent Boat and 1st May Boat. In 1962 he rowed at No.6 in the 1st May Boat which bumped four crews to go Head of the River for the first time in the College's history. The crew went on to win the Ladies Challenge Plate at Henley Royal Regatta that year. He trialed for the Blue Boat but was not selected. After graduating he joined Elliot Automation, designing and developing avionics systems for fighter aircraft. He rowed in the 1963 Leander Club VIII. He then joined Leo Computers where he designed and marketed the earliest computer systems. He joined BOAC in 1968 (later British Airways) where he led the project to design the first electronic ticketing system, which he then sold to many other airlines and which remained the global standard until the dawn of internet booking. He joined the London Stock Exchange in 1976 as Managing Director of Computer and Information Systems and led the 'Big Bang' programme to computerise the trading floor (SEAQ) which went live in 1986. He retired from the Stock Exchange in 1990 but continued as a consultant on the electronic automation of share trading systems for many Stock Exchanges around the World. As a Liveryman of the Information Technologists Company, he received the Freedom of the City of London in 1992. He joined the Board of E*Trade that year and became Chairman in 2003, retiring in 2007. He held a number of other non-executive Directorships including Critchley Group, Surfcontrol and Standard Financial Group. As a young man he was interested in understanding how things worked, dismantling and rebuilding cars and building and flying model airplanes. He had an adventurous spirit, driving a Land Rover with 5 friends overland to Delhi in the summer of 1961. He enjoyed music, played the guitar and performed in Gilbert & Sullivan light operas. He also wrote songs, poetry and several plays for his children and grandchildren. He had a penchant for practical jokes, party games and trying to embarrass his friends. In retirement he sang with Gloucester Cathedral Choral Society and was able to pursue his enjoyment of painting, mostly in watercolours. He remained close friends with many of the

1962 Mays crew with whom he met up at Henley Regatta every summer and at the Boars Head Boat Club dinners. He returned to Queens' to coach crews over several years and most recently came back for the 50th Anniversary year of Queens' Headship on the Saturday of May Week, to punt along the Backs and watch the bumps. Warm, calm and loving he was above all a family man, never happier than when surrounded by his large family.

Admiral Sir Peter C. Abbott, K.C.B., G.B.E. (1960) aged 73. Peter Abbott was born in New Delhi, where his father was a Lieutenant-Colonel in the Indian Army, during the War. He attended St Edward's School in Oxford, before coming up to Queens' to read Natural Sciences in 1960. He specialised in Chemistry for Part II. At College he played hockey, was a member of the St Bernard (Debating) Society and rowed in the third men's crew for three years. On graduation, he decided to train as an accountant. He became an articled clerk to a firm in the City, but joined the Royal Marines Forces Volunteer Reserve in his spare time and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. He did not much enjoy accountancy and, when the Royal Navy announced a graduate entry scheme, he was one of the first to apply. He entered the Navy in 1964. Promotion came rapidly as he was soon recognised as one of the outstanding officers of his generation. He never spoke down to the men and they knew he would always look after their interests and he was never afraid to let his opinions be known to senior officers. He became Navigating Officer of the frigate *HMS Minerva* on deployment all over the world, including Cold War operations shadowing Soviet capital ships. He became a specialist in communications and electronic warfare and was appointed Signals Officer of the destroyer *HMS London*. In 1972 he was given his first command, the minesweeper *HMS Chawton*. His first shore appointment was to Bermuda where he joined the staff of the Senior Naval Officer, West Indies, and helped direct operations to police the Caribbean. He was promoted Commander in 1976 to command the frigate *HMS Ambuscade*. There then followed a series of alternate spells at sea and in shore based jobs at the Ministry of Defence. 1980 saw him second in command of the aircraft carrier *HMS Bulwark*; during the Falklands War he was the Chief of the Defence Staff's personal briefer and in 1983, whilst also captain of the frigate *HMS Ajax*, he commanded the First Frigate Squadron. He served twice in the 1980s in the Directorate of Naval Plans and was its Director for two years. He then attended the Royal College of Defence Studies where his penetrating questioning made him stand out. He was promoted Rear Admiral in 1989 and, as Flag Officer Second Flotilla, was deployed to the Far East, visiting Tokyo in the carrier *HMS Ark Royal*. As Assistant Chief of the Naval Staff 1991-93, he spent much of his time "fighting for money" as he was obliged to implement Government cuts in the Navy's budget. As a Vice-Admiral, he was Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic, based in Norfolk, Virginia. In 1994 he was made a Knight Commander of the Bath. In 1995 he received the US Legion of Merit and was promoted that year to full Admiral, becoming Commander in Chief Fleet for two years. A GBE followed in 1999 by which time he was Vice-Chief of the Defence Staff, serving during both the Balkan and Sierra Leone wars, in which role his diplomatic skills and astute political antennae were invaluable. His thoughtfulness, incisive decision-making,

air of confidence and grasp of the facts made him an outstanding leader. In retirement his sense of public duty was undiminished. He was Commanding Officer of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission 2001-05, President of the Sea Scouts 2003-14 and Chairman of the Trustees of the National Royal Navy Museum for 7 years up to 2010, in which job his great charm and negotiating skills were tested by the competing heritage organisations involved. He was a Trustee of the Naval Archive at King's College, London. He was also active in the Marine Society and the Shipwrecked Mariners' Society.

G. R. Blackwell (1960) aged 76. Gerard (Gerry) Blackwell was educated at Oundle School before coming up to Queens' to read English in 1960. At College he captained the Rugby team and was a member of the Kangaroos. Immediately on graduation he took up a post teaching English at Sedbergh School and taught there for the rest of his career. He is credited with fostering a new enthusiasm for his subject at the school. He was an officer in the school C.C.F. and played cricket as a wicketkeeper/batsman for the town of Sedbergh as well as the school staff team. He rose to be House Master of School House from 1972-86 and later Deputy Head and Second Master of the school and will be remembered for his warmth, generosity and professionalism to all whom he encountered. He was a trusted source of wise advice to colleagues and pupils alike. He also edited the school magazine for a number of years (and quietly continued in retirement as a proof-reader and editor for many school publications). From 2008 he was copy editor of the *Old Sedberghian* newsletters and e-newsletters. He was a warm and affable man who profoundly influenced many students at the school. In retirement he enjoyed playing the baritone horn in a brass band, gardening, golf, archive work and travel.

J. R. Gourlay (1960) aged 74. Robin Gourlay was educated at Dauntsey's School before coming up to Queens' in 1960 to read Economics. After College he joined the NHS National Training Scheme and then managed three small cottage hospitals in Lancashire. After a spell on the Regional Health Board in Manchester, he joined ICI to train managers there. He then returned to the NHS to train within the health service at the Leeds University Nuffield Centre. He then spent 11 years in Winchester as the NHS Regional Personnel Officer, before setting up his own consultancy and management training business, though still always with a connection to the NHS. His daughter Amanda followed him to Queens' in 1987.

Professor J. Ware, F.R.C.S. (1960) aged 74. James Ware was born into a distinguished medical family and attended Bryanston School in Dorset. He was a keen sportsman, playing racquets, cricket, hockey and sailing. He read Natural Sciences at Queens', graduating in 1963 and was awarded a Half-Blue for sailing in his final year. He undertook clinical training at University College Hospital in London and qualified as a doctor in 1966. He was a House Officer at UCH, a Lecturer in Anatomy at the Royal Free Hospital and then a Senior House Officer at Birmingham Accident Hospital, before becoming a surgeon at the Mount Vernon Hospital in Middlesex, obtaining his Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons in 1971. He worked

as a General Surgeon at Charing Cross Hospital before embarking on an academic career as a clinical teacher in Sweden, becoming an Associate Professor of Surgery at the prestigious Karolinska Hospital and Institute in Stockholm. In 1982 he was appointed to a Senior Lectureship in Surgery at the University of Liverpool and then, in 1989, Professor in Emergency and Critical Care Medicine at the United Arab Emirates University. A series of Chairs took him to the International Medical University in Malaysia 1996-2000, the University of Witwatersrand in South Africa 2000-2003 and the Chinese University of Hong Kong 2003-2006. From 2000 he gave up clinical practice and became primarily a medical educator, establishing the IDEAL consortium (sharing question banks and online interactive educational resources) whilst in Hong Kong, through which he gained an international reputation. He achieved much through hard work and boundless energy and enthusiasm and was famous for his conversation and great sense of humour. In 2006 he moved to Kuwait University, where he was appointed Professor and Director of Medical Education, and this was followed by a similar post at the Saudi Commission for Health Specialities, where he was particularly influential in Postgraduate education and also established and became Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Health Specialities*. He organised an International Conference in Saudi Arabia in 2015 but his health was in decline. Despite open heart surgery, he continued to work until his death.

J. Santer (1963) aged 71. John Santer was the son of the Revd Canon Eric Santer (Queens' 1927) and younger brother of the Rt Revd Mark Santer (Queens' 1957, Honorary Fellow since 1991). He was born in Bristol and was a Quirister at Winchester before gaining a scholarship to Marlborough College. He enjoyed Marlborough and did well in all respects: academically, sportingly and musically. He came up to Queens' to read History in 1963. After Cambridge and a brief sojourn in Germany he began working back in the UK as a racehorse 'form' expert for the *Daily Express* and as Clive Graham's assistant. He was soon providing 'Wogan's winner' and Horse Racing became one of the great loves of his life. After leaving the *Daily Express*, he went on to spend two years with the Racing Information Bureau and five as a public relations officer for William Hill, before joining *Sporting Life* in 1983 as a racecourse reporter and race-reader. John was a journalist for *The Sporting Life* for 14 years before turning freelance, and was a race-reader for the *Racing Post* and a tipster for the *Racing and Football Outlook*. Known as 'The Bish' in the racing world, he was described by work colleagues with words such as, "a true professional, who never had a bad word to say about anyone - he loved his racing and, more often than not made it pay" and "extremely popular and always convivial company". He was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in early 2015 but was determined to stay at home until the end, and this he did with the care and fortitude of his wife and family. His ashes are to be scattered at Polzeath where he holidayed with his family for over 30 years.

Professor R.S. Wistrich, Ph.D. (1963) aged 70. Robert Wistrich was born of Polish Jewish parents in Kazakhstan, but the family moved first to Cracow then to Paris and finally to London, where his father became a GP in Kilburn. He won a Scholarship to Queens' and read History, graduating in 1966. At university he founded a literary and arts magazine, *Circuit*,

which he edited until 1969. He spent a study year in Israel 1969-70, becoming literary editor of the left-wing '*New Outlook*', before embarking on a PhD at London University. He then became Director of Research at the Institute of Contemporary History and the Wiener Library in London. An appointment as a Research Fellow of the British Academy followed, until he was appointed to an academic post at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. He became Erich Neuberger Professor of European and Jewish History there. Between 1991 and 1995 he was concurrently Professor of Jewish Studies at University College, London. In 2002 he became the Director of the Vidal Sassoon International Centre for the Study of Antisemitism at the Hebrew University and was widely recognised as one of the world's leading experts on that subject and its rise in recent times. He published 29 books, several of which have won prestigious prizes. The first was *Revolutionary Jews from Marx to Trotsky* (1976). *Socialism and the Jews* (1985) won an American Jewish Committee award and was followed by *The Jews of Vienna in the Age of Franz Joseph* (1989). His most famous book, *Antisemitism: The Longest Hatred* (1991) not only won a literary prize but was the basis for a three-hour British/American documentary mini-series. He was the script-writer for other documentaries and went on to publish *Hitler and the Holocaust* (2001), *Nietzsche – Godfather of Fascism?* (2002), *A Lethal Obsession: Antisemitism from Antiquity to Global Jihad* (2010) (a work which is said to have taken two decades to write) and *From Ambivalence to Betrayal: the Left, the Jews and Israel* (2012). He served as a consultant to Governments, think tanks and Jewish groups all over the world, advising the US State Department, the Council of Europe, the Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the Human Rights Commission in Geneva and the United Nations, amongst many other organisations. From 1999 till 2001 he was part of the Commission set up with the Roman Catholic Church to look at the role of Pope Pius XII during the war. Though a Zionist all his life, he was pessimistic about the future of European Jewish communities. He spoke several languages, loved literature and even wrote poetry himself. He was also a great devotee both of the music of Elvis Presley and of cricket. He died of a heart attack in Rome where he was due to address the Italian Senate on the contemporary rise of antisemitism.

The Revd S.G. Bowen (1965) aged 68. Stephen Bowen was brought up in Teddington, London. Despite a rather difficult home life, he won a scholarship to the City of London School and came up to Queens' in 1965 to read Russian and French in the Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos. He had become a Christian in his teens at school and a growing sense of vocation to the priesthood caused him to switch to Theology. However, he retained a great love of and knowledge of languages throughout his life. Whilst at College he was President of CICCUCU (the Cambridge Inter-Collegiate Christian Union – then as now one of the largest student societies) and also, though far from sporty, helped at Pathfinder Camps in Jersey. After a year teaching at Ealing Grammar School, he went to Clifton Theological College in Bristol and was ordained deacon in 1971 and priest in 1972. He served his title at St John's, World's End, Chelsea, then was Curate at St Saviour's, Guildford, for four years. After two years as minister in charge of St Patrick's, Wallington, he was appointed in 1979 Vicar of Felbridge

on the Surrey fringe of East Grinstead. There he ministered to a very thriving church and large congregations for 33 years, until ill-health forced his retirement early in 2013. He was very gifted both as a pastor and as a preacher. He had a natural compassion and empathy with people which, combined with a warm-hearted and out-going manner and a great sense of humour, made him very approachable. He had a reputation as a wise spiritual guide. He was much involved in the wider community in Felbridge and East Grinstead as a school governor, instigator of town-centre food-for-thought talks and leader in many Christian initiatives. He was a railway enthusiast and in his younger years a great builder of model railways. He also followed the fortunes of the England cricket team assiduously, attending Test Matches whenever possible. He died after a three year battle with a rare form of cancer. In one of the tributes at his packed funeral in Felbridge, he was characterised as a "faithful, concerned, caring, approachable, people-loving pastor", much loved by all who knew him.

D.J. Bee. Vet.M.B., M.R.C.V.S. (1969) aged 65. David Bee was the son of a vet and was brought up at Poulton-le-Fylde in Lancashire. He attended Silcoates School, Wakefield, before coming up to Queens' in 1969 to study to be a Veterinary Surgeon. After Part I of the then Medical Sciences Tripos and Part II Applied Biology, he went on to the Veterinary School and qualified in 1975. He sang in the Chapel Choir throughout the six years of his student career and indeed met his wife, Judith, in the Choir. Music and singing remained central to his life and he sang over the years in many choirs and choruses, even taking on solo roles – he found singing *Christus* in Bach's St Matthew Passion particularly memorable and moving. He also played squash at Queens' and captained the tennis team. He was always a keen cyclist and later in life participated in a number of sponsored long distance cycle rides for a variety of charitable causes. He started in practice in the Lake District and began to specialise in farm animal, particularly cattle, medicine. In 1978 he moved to Hampshire, to a practice centred in Liss near Petersfield where he became a partner in 1981. His cheerful demeanour, outgoing and friendly personality, tendency to burst into song at the drop of a hat and clinical acumen made him very popular and respected amongst colleagues and clients alike. In 1984 he was the first vet in the country to identify, characterise and report on a new syndrome in cattle, 'Mad Cow Disease'. A pathologist correctly diagnosed a spongiform encephalopathy similar to the sheep disease scrapie. However, it took many months and the deaths of thousands of cattle for officialdom to realise the potential public health hazard and take any action. In the early 1990s David's Christian faith underwent something of a renaissance and he became very involved at St Mary's, Liss, training as a Reader, preaching regularly (his sermons were famously laced with veterinary anecdotes and illustrations) and helping in the pastoral work of the church. His wife was ordained and became parish priest of St Mary's, Buriton, near Petersfield and David continued his ministry there. A chance meeting with members of the Christian Veterinary Mission, whilst attending a conference in Texas as a representative of the British Cattle Veterinary Association, led to opportunities to take leave of absence from his practice to go to Mongolia and later also to Djibouti to help train local vets and farmers in

farm animal skills and also to share his faith. He became the International Co-Ordinator of the Veterinary Christian Fellowship. He retired from full-time practice in 2010 but continued to work, mostly with pet animals, as an associate at the Grove Veterinary Practice in Southsea. He died suddenly of a heart attack just one week after finally retiring from veterinary practice and a few days before embarking on a 1000 mile cycle ride in aid of the Veterinary Benevolent Fund. Friends old and new, parishioners, colleagues, former clients, choristers filled every nook and cranny of St Mary's, Buriton, for his funeral – many had to follow the service from the vestry or the churchyard, such was the affection and respect in which he was held.

J.C. Meigh, M.Sc. (1969) aged 64. John Christopher Meigh was half-Norwegian, hence the double Christian name, but at College and thereafter he preferred to be called just Chris. He was born in Tavistock, the son of a schoolmaster, brought up in Bristol and then lived in Didsbury, near Manchester. Summers were spent in Norway and he was fluent in that language. He went to Bristol Grammar School and is remembered for writing poetry and plays (a play he wrote was produced by the Bristol Youth Theatre Workshop and received excellent reviews), for his interest in politics and debating, and for his work in the school library. He won an Exhibition to Queens' and came up in 1969 to read Mathematics, changing after the first year to Economics. At College he was a member of the Liberal Club and was a reliable assistant librarian. Initially rather sceptical of religion, he developed a strong faith whilst at Queens', centred on a deep prayerfulness, and was an assiduous attendee at both College and University Christian Union meetings. Having determined on a career in teaching, he stayed at Queens' for an extra year to undertake a PGCE. He began as an Economics and Maths teacher at Watford Grammar School and then in 1976 obtained a post at Maidstone Grammar School in Kent. He was soon appointed Head of Economics, but a growing interest in computing led to a sabbatical year in the early 1980s to take an MSc in Computing at the University of Kent and a switch to teaching that subject. Computing was then in its infancy as a school academic subject, but he built up the Department from a one-man-band to a thriving academic one as the study and use of IT grew in the school. Until recently he also managed the school network and as a teacher was noted for his meticulous preparation of students for exams. He was Head of IT and Computing for almost 30 years, holding the post until retirement in 2010. He helped with the school Christian Union and the Bridge Club and was the Union rep for his colleagues. He was also much involved in St Luke's Church, Maidstone, training as a Reader and preaching and running services on a regular basis. He had a great interest in rock music and regularly attended rock festivals round the country, supporting in particular a group, including former pupils of his school, which enjoyed moderate success nationally. He died after a two year fight with cancer.

P.E. Gawne, M.A.(Oxon), Vet.M.B., M.R.C.V.S. (1971) aged 65. Peter Gawne grew up in Buckinghamshire and attended Bradfield College. He went up to Wadham College, Oxford, in 1968 to read for a degree in Zoology, but decided he really wanted to become a veterinary surgeon. He applied to Queens' as an Affiliated Student, matriculating in 1971

after graduating from Oxford, and qualifying as a vet in 1976. He enjoyed his eight University years to the full and his colourful, effervescent character with an infectious sense of humour and a permanent smile made him many friends. He started clinical work at the RSPCA Harmsworth Clinic, where he gained a wealth of experience of both the veterinary world and human society. In 1979 he became an Assistant at the Straid Veterinary Clinic in Beaconsfield, where he did some large animal work, though his main love continued to be dealing with companion animals and their owners. He became a Partner in the practice after a few years and remained there till his retirement in 2009, following an injury. He was very popular with his clients and was a mainstay of the practice, specialising in dentistry and general medicine. He was also an active member of the Round Table and then '41 Club' and was an enthusiastic participant in amateur dramatics. He was a natural entertainer and performer, from memorable turns in the Vet. Soc. Revue to regular participation in productions of the Beaconsfield Operatic Society. He approached his many hobbies with characteristic enthusiasm, whether learning foreign languages, tackling difficult DIY problems around the house, or enjoying complex mathematical calculations just for the fun of it. Described by his family as a "Grown up Just William", he was a generous host and disliked pretentiousness and pomposity. Irreverent, theatrical, occasionally politically incorrect, he was the life and soul of any party. He was a connoisseur of fine wines and spirits and a great lover of dogs, especially Springer Spaniels (friends have described him as the human equivalent). He died only a few weeks after a diagnosis of inoperable bile duct cancer.

Professor D.I. Cesarani, O.B.E., D.Phil. (1976) aged 58. David Cesarani was born in London and attended Latymer Upper School, Hammersmith. He was the only child of a Jewish hairdresser of Italian extraction and worked on a kibbutz in Israel before taking up his place to read History at Queens' in 1976. On graduation and after a year at Columbia University in the USA, he went on to St Anthony's College, Oxford, to study for a DPhil on the history of Anglo-Jewish Zionism between the World Wars. His subsequent academic research centred on twentieth century Jewish history and particularly on the Holocaust and he was often consulted by Government, the media and a variety of Holocaust organisations. He was a well-known champion of the War Crimes Act 1992, which enabled the prosecution of Nazi criminals in the British courts, and also of the Holocaust Educational Trust, which made sure British pupils were taught about the Holocaust in history lessons and organised school visits to former death camps such as Auschwitz. He helped the Imperial War Museum set up a permanent Holocaust exhibition. He was a Government adviser on the establishment of a Holocaust Memorial Day and for this and his Holocaust work in general he was awarded the OBE in 2005. From 1983 till 1986 he was the Montague Burton Fellow in Modern Jewish History at Leeds University and then for three years he lectured in Politics at Queen Mary College, London. He then became Director of Studies at the Wiener Library, the London Holocaust archive, before being elected to the Chair of Jewish History at the Parkes Centre for the Study of Jewish/Non-Jewish Relations, University of Southampton, in 2000. In 2004

he moved to Royal Holloway College, London, as Research Professor of Jewish History. Meticulous in research, he was not afraid to court controversy in his books. During his research on the great Jewish author Arthur Koestler for his book *Arthur Koestler: The Homeless Mind*, he discovered that Koestler had been a serial rapist and said so in print. His celebrated biography of Adolf Eichmann, *Eichmann: His Life and Crimes*, debunked the idea that the Nazi war criminal was merely a bureaucrat seeking to please his superiors. One of the earliest of his 15 or so books, *Justice Delayed*, chronicled the acceptance of low-level Nazi criminals and collaborators into British Society. His attacks on the British Holocaust-denier David Irving were particularly virulent. A Zionist at heart and a firm believer in the right of the state of Israel to exist, he was a fierce opponent of any form of anti-Semitism or any suspicion of anti-Jewish words or actions. However, he was not afraid to criticise the Israeli Government and military and was a prominent supporter of the Peace Now Movement, seeking ways to allow Jews and Palestinians to live together in peace. He particularly condemned the erection of the security wall between Jewish and Palestinian areas on the West Bank. He was a regular contributor to *The Guardian* and other publications. David ran marathons for charity and was a keen cyclist. He loved art and visits to the theatre and cinema and was a keen traveller. Family holidays in Italy were a particular delight. His two final books – an account of the events leading up to the Holocaust, *Final Solution: The Fate of the Jews 1933-49* and a biography of Disraeli – will be published posthumously. He was checking the footnotes only days before his death from cancer.

G.L. Parker (1987) aged 50. Graham Parker was born and brought up in Newcastle-upon-Tyne and attended the Royal Grammar School there. After a degree at the University of Leeds, he came to Queens' to study for a PGCE. He joined Conyers School as an enthusiastic new English teacher and inspired many young people to grow in confidence, as well as fostering in them a love of literature and the spoken and written word. For a brief time in the mid-1990s he ran Topspin Tennis Centre but returned to full time teaching and began to climb the career ladder, leaving Conyers to become Deputy Head at Nunthorpe Secondary School in 2005. Following this, he worked for North Yorkshire Local Authority as a Senior Education Adviser for English, until in 2012 he became Headteacher at The Wensleydale School and Sixth Form, Leyburn, relishing contact with the students and continuing to teach sixth-form English Literature. He was a keen sports person and was a talented tennis player at Yarm and Thirsk tennis clubs. He was a person of tremendous integrity, intelligence and enthusiasm, kind, witty, and always ready to put everyone ahead of himself. He died after suffering a heart attack whilst out walking with his children.

N.K.J. Billington (1989) aged 44. Nat Billington was the son of the film director, Kevin Billington (Queens' 1954). His mother, the novelist Rachel Billington, was the daughter of the cabinet minister and prison reformer the Earl of Longford and his historian wife Elizabeth. Despite this formidable literary heritage, from an early age Nat showed a bent for science. When he was aged ten, Elizabeth, Countess of Longford, bought him a computer and he was

immediately hooked. His nascent entrepreneurial skills were evident even at school, where he and a friend started a small business helping fellow pupils and teachers to set up their computers. He won a scholarship to St Paul's School in Hammersmith, where his intellect, innate curiosity and focus were soon much in evidence. He read Computer Science at Queens', but, during the Long Vacation of his second year, he and his friend Lorenzo Wood designed and set up a computer system for the owners of Majestic Films. This enterprise was such a success that they founded KBW Consulting in 1992 and began to set up easy-to-use websites for various corporate clients, including British Airways, 10 Downing Street and the BBC. Merging with another company, the renamed Oyster Partners soon won more clients, including Sky, BT and Virgin, and, even in the midst of the burst of the dotcom bubble, the company thrived. He had a particular knack of identifying promising potential employees and several well-known computer technologists started their careers with his enterprises. Nat always had a social conscience and an idealistic streak and he set up and became Chief Technical Officer of a company, Map of Medicine, to develop software to make new discoveries and medical advances available at the touch of a button to the medical profession. In 2005 he sold his share of Oyster Partners (as DigitaLBI it continues as one of the most successful digital advertising agencies in the world) to become Managing Director of Map of Medicine. Products were sold to the WHO in Africa and to the NHS in Australia and the UK. In parallel he set up Synergy Energy to invest in various 'green' businesses and to advise them, and also Product Health, a company devoted to extending the working life of all sorts of products. He was also much involved with the Longford Trust, even mentoring ex-prisoners himself. He loved sports cars but never exceeded the speed limit so as to give himself a chance to think and plan whilst he was driving. He died of a form of non-Hodgkins lymphoma – characteristically he made himself an expert on the disease and its treatment.

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