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The Editor's Welcome

Hello to ‘96........

What a busy year !!!!!

I’ve changed jobs, gone self employed, got my son off to ‘big’ school, organised a Christmas for 32 people.... and that was the easy stuff. The hard stuff was organised by the rest of your committee led by your Chairman for this year, Martin Fearn.

The Dinner, meetings, barbecue, garden fete, cricket, snooker night, marketing days, weekends... when will it end, the social life of an Old Georgian is on the up and up, so well done to all involved!

This coming year is going to be just as busy so keep your eye on the diary of events on page ??? Please call the organiser of any of these should you wish to join in, or contact the school at any time on any matter.

Once again, my grateful thanks to Sheila and the College staff for their assistance in putting this together... I hope you enjoy the content.

Finally, the Committees chosen nominee for the position of the Associations Chairman for 1996-1997 is Southport resident Mr. Alan Bond. Other nominations are welcome at the A.G.M. prior to the Annual Dinner.

See you next year!

Ed.

A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Falls...

whilst on holiday in South Africa last year, John Evans, who attended the school from 1942 to 1949, overheard a fellow tourist saying she was from the North West of England. Later that night, his wife had the opportunity to speak to her and discovered that..... Gerald Priestley (the ladies husband) was in Johns year at school, that they had both lived in Ainsdale, that both wives were from Crosby and that both couples had married at St. Lukes Church in Crosby !!! Incidentally, John is the son of a former master - T.H.A. Evans - whom many of you will remember. John now lives in Sevenoaks, but would be happy to hear from any of his contemporaries.
The Chairman's Letter
Teaching Staff 1995-1996

The new members of staff, joining since last year are shown in bold type.

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Building Development

As we go to press, the College is still awaiting the final decision of the funding council on which education projects will be sponsored. It is hoped that the College will be successful in its application for the building of the new Library, Class Rooms and Offices - but watch this space !!! (or at least the front page of the Southport newspapers)

O.G.A. College Project

The final decision on this years project is yet to be made.

George Wakefield

At this years Annual Dinner, in order to commemorate the work and service of the late George Wakefield, the Chairman will present a watercolour of Derwent Water to the College. This will be a specially remembered presentation as the picture was painted by George himself in 1982. The picture has been kindly donated by Georges wife and the Association has made a donation to Georges favourite charity, Save the Children.
Norman Allen, Edwards 39-45
Norman emigrated to Canada in 1955. Norman would like to contact Old Georgians on the internet if possible (please let us know your E-Mail address - Ed).

Trevor Allen, Edwards 36-41
Please refer to the obituary section of the Red Rose.

Roger Bamber, Spencers 59-65
Roger is married and has two daughters. He lives in Leyland and has been in hotel catering since leaving KGV. He is Deputy Divisional Director of Gardner Merchant Ltd.

Alan Berg, Grears 56-60
Alan retired as a Solicitor in 1994 and has been appointed a Stependiary Magistrate for the City of Manchester.

Richard Barton, Grears 77-84
Richard would love to hear from any of his contemporaries (via the Ed or Secretary). He lives in Maidenhead and is relatively unaffected following his serious spinal injury a few years ago. He is a Chartered Accountant with BAT (Richard - hope you are well, I was you last House Captain !!! - Ed)

Peter Brunt, Evans 50-54
Peter was awarded the OBE for services to medicine in 1994. He is also the President of the Association of Physicians of Great Britain and Ireland. Peter now lives in Aberdeen.

Matthew Duffy, M1 88-90
Now working for Freemans Catalogue in Leeds in I.T., this following graduation in Business Operations and Control from the University of Salford in 1994.

Jonathan Elliott, Grears 73-79
Jonathan has left his senior I.T. position at the Royal Mail to set up his own Consultancy, specialising in Lotus Notes (this is not a free plug - Ed).

Darrell Farrant, Edwards 48-55
Having been the Headmaster of Abbotsholme School in Derbyshire for the last eleven years, Darrell has just been elected Chairman for 1996 of the Society of Headmasters and Headmistresses of Independent Schools (SHMIS). He is also a Fellow of the Royal Society for the Arts. (Here's hoping your year is better than John Cleese's - Ed)

Robert L. Galkoff, H4 89-91
Robert graduated from Leeds with a 2.1 in Business Studies and is now a merchandiser with M&S.

Jonathan Gorse, 86-88
Jonathan is a Business Process Consultant at Heathrow Airport for British Airways.

Miles Irving, Evans 48-53
Miles is Professor of Surgery at Manchester University. Miles is the Director of the National Health Service Health Technology Programme and the President of the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland. He was Knighted in the 1995 New Years Honours list for 'Services to Medicine'.

Richard N. Jenkin, Masons 45-53
Richard lives in Surrey and has recently retired as Senior Forestry Adviser in the Overseas Development Administration.
Cyril Aubrey Johnson, Spencers 24-32
... retired in 1987 after 50 years in advertising. A pupil at the original Woodlands!

Maurice B. Johnson (Rev.), Edwards 59-66
Maurice is the industrial chaplain to Courtalds Chemicals in Derby, but primarily is the Second Minister in the Derby East Methodist circuit.

J.D. Lewis, Spencers 45-53
Mr. Lewis is the Safety Officer at Bristol University and is presently the President of the Institute of Radiation Protection

David Cropper Marsden, Masons 36-41
... has worked in various African countries, including Kenya and Swaziland, for the 'Commercial Union'. He has now been with them for 54 years and is presently the Training Manager for Africa - and this after retiring 5 years ago.

Geoffrey Pearce, Grears 54-58
Geoff is a mortgage broker in Warrington having previously worked for the Pru as a District Manager. He is married with two sons.

John E. Pearson, Masons 46-49
John is 'currently' a lecturer in Electronics at Kings College, London. He has been there since 1952 following leaving KGV, serving time in he National Service and undertaking a Physics Degree at Liverpool

Richard G. Pearson, Masons 45-50
Richard emigrated to Canada in 1979 and retired early in 1986 from his profession of Engineering. He now calls himself a 'ski bum' as he is a part time ski instructor. His four children also live in Canada.

Ramanee Peiris, M3 80-82
Ramanee is now lecturing in Information Technology at Dundee University (e-mail address R.Peiris@DUNDEE.AC.UK)

Shanthi Thompson (nee. Peiris) E4 84-86
Shanthi is working part time in microbiology at Southport District General Hospital since the birth of her daughter, Eloise Catherine, in April 1995.

Shiromi Peiris, H7 89-91
Shiromi has been working for the Royal Bank of Scotland since leaving College.

Michael Pickard, 82-84
Michael obtained a Degree in Chemical Engineering at Birmingham University and is now a Director of his family business TS Chemicals

Gaynor Pickard (nee. Howard), 83-85
Married Michael in 1995 and has a Diploma in Tourism from Manchester Polytechnic. She is now a National Sale Manager for an Australian Travel Company. Both now live in Southport.

B.H. Richardson, Grears 41-48
..... is now retired and living in Mansfield. He sends his regards to all who remember him.

Conrad Slater (Dr.), Rogers’ 45-54
Conrad retired from teaching Physics in 1993. He and his wife Jose live in the Lake District (Come along to the Chairmans weekend Conrad - Ed). His full time hobbies include rambling and fun running (perhaps not - Ed) and practicing the Russian language.(Sorry, you are more than welcome ! - Ed).

Gordon Sweeney, Masons/M 77-84
Gordon is still working with the Life Foundation, primarily being active in Bosnia and Northern Ireland.

Mike Thompson, Edwards 48-56
Mike retired in 1994 after 24 years with IBM, most recently as Financial Executive. Prior to this he spent 11 years in Zimbabwe and Malawi.

Peter K. Thompson, Leeches 56-64
Peter is now a managing partner of Howes Percival Solicitors and Chairman of Industrial Tribunals.

Paul Wood, E 85-87
Paul lives in France. He has spent time at Reed International Books as the Road Atlas Editor - including Michelin, OS and Philips editions.

It is with regret that the Committee wishes to pass on the following information about the deaths of the following Old Georgians.

**Professor Keith Runcorn (b. 1922 - d.1995)**
Keith Runcorn attended the school from 1933 to 1941 and was a member of Grears house. It is with deep regret that his death is announced, especially given the circumstances. Mr. Runcorn was tragically found battered to death in his hotel room in California where the exact circumstances are still unknown. However, what is known is the success Keith Runcorn made of his life as a Geophysicist. Keith was School Captain in his final year and left to attend Liverpool University. In 1942 he held an exhibition at Caius College, Cambridge. Following graduation, his career continued at University, culminating in heading the physics department at Newcastle University from 1956 to 1988. He had worked on radar research during the second world war and was associated with the Biosphere II project in Arizona, U.S.A. He had been a member of the Royal Society since 1965 and was awarded a Gold Medal by the Astronomical Society in 1984. Professor Runcorn, aged 73, was still lecturing at the University of Alaska as the head of department at the time of his death. At school, he had also been Grears House Captain and Captain of the School swimming team.

**Trevor Allen (b. 1925 - d.1995)**
Trevors brother, Norman, has written to us to inform the O.G.A. of his brothers death at home in Bognor Regis last April. After active Naval service in the second world war, Trevor became an accountant with the Metal Box Company, remaining with the company until his retirement. Our thoughts go to his brother Norman.
Eds Note - a memorial service was held for Peter at the College in December 1995. A capacity congregation took part in a service for Peter. The College Lecture Theatre, often used by Peter, has been named - The Peter Richardson Lecture Theatre - in his memory.
1. If you are male, aged between 15 and 135 then please proceed to step 8.

2. If you are male, an Old Georgian and under 98, please proceed to step 8.

3. If you are female, then "welcome".

4. Here are some interesting facts..... there are 93 female members of the Old Georgians..... this is out of a total of 717 members listed on the mailing list, equating to 13% ..... 5% of contributions to the RR are from females.... but 60% of this comes from our President !...... there are currently 0 active female members of the 17 strong active OGA committee..... there never have been any ‘active’ female committee members !.....

5. Some more facts for you...... there never has been a female Chair(man) Person of the OGA..... there has never been a female OGA sporting challenge match (hockey, netball etc)..... hence there has never been an an opportunity to elect a female leader of ANY sort in the OGA !

6. As the Ed of the Red Rose, ex-Chair and previous Captain of the OGA Cricket Team, I have been campaigning for the ladies - women - females - girls to join in and take a more responsible and/or active role in the OGA. To date, there has been little luck... But that can all change. This year more of you are involved (or at least have promised to be) and will be turning up for the sports match etc. But be warned, this is my last effort. Any future comments regarding the sexual bias of the OGA and its associated functions/meetings will be met with the scorn and laughter as the males will have sufficient ammo to back the jovial response. YOU ARE LETTING YOURSELVES DOWN !!! It is also a sad reflection that this Summer, 236 females will leave the College - but how many will join the association (the 93 are out of about 3000 who have left since 1981) ?

7. Its time to change these facts.

8. Welcome Old Georgians.

9. Enjoy the rest of the Red Rose
The Annual Dinner 1995

Maundy Thursday of 1995 saw the largest gathering of recent years at the O.G.A. Annual Dinner. Stan Rimmer had his hands full with the planning, which, under the circumstances, went exceptionally well.

Whether the presence of Ray Jeffs as Chair, Brian Viner as guest speaker or the reservations for a total of 16 ladies was the attraction - well only Mystic Meg could tell (or may be she couldn’t going by my lack of lottery winnings - Ed). 126 attendees meant that the extension had to be used at the S&B which did have its draw backs, not least the difficulty in hearing the speeches at the end of the evening - which was a shame. Brian Viner had several extremely interesting stories to tell not least the one relating to his unique answering machine message.

However the evening was a great success. The new chef at the S&B excelled himself in quality and the service was exemplary. A great time was had by all, with plenty of time following the speeches to consume quantities of alcohol before moving off to the hot spots of the Southport night life.

The Old Boys Match: O.G.A. 2 - College 1

Our third encounter with the College team resulted in a ....... WIN !! Well done chaps.

For the third year in succession, an OGA representative side met the College Cricket 1st XI. This season the match was held at Ainsdale Cricket Club - our thanks to them for their hospitality - due to the pitch being unavailable at the College. However, this enabled some members to play (thanks Dave) and for all to enjoy the excellent catering facilities. Now for the match......

The OGA won the toss and elected to bat first - a good decision with the team taking the initiative and performing steadily through out the innings. Hayden Preece opened with Steve Bond and they put on 27 for the first wicket, Hayden being given out narrowly LBW for 13. Steve went on to make the top score of 26 before being bowled to a beauty. Amer Jnr (son of Maurice) took up the mantle with Stuart Wincer, scoring 20. Stuart moved on to 25 before being caught behind off a ball that beamed off the wicket. The tail scored consistently - Dave Newcombe 18, Keith Ball 11, Wincer Snr 12 and Chris Threlfall 6 - before the overs ran out. The OGA thus closed their inning on 143 for 6 from 25 overs.

Tea was taken in the form of the stewards fine, light refreshments (non alchoholic beer and crisps - we forgot to order anything - sorry chaps !) before the College openers took to the slog.

And that they did !!! Scoring 58 before the first wicket fell in the tenth over !! A few sighs of relief were heard when their number 2 was out, bowled to fine ball from Keith (Ball) for 19. The other opener, Andy James, was looking invincible, moving on to 61 in the sixteenth over with the score on 94 for 1. The field was re-arranged for Chris Threlfall, brought on to test the batsman with some spin bowling.

At this point it is worth commenting on Chris’ style of bowling. Remember this was May 1995. For those who have seen Paul adams in the recent test series with South Africa - you'll get the picture. For those who didn’t, sorry its too hard to describe But try to imagine running in at full speed and then falling over. Thats how Paul Adams looks and how Chris looked, except he ended up on the ground where Mr. Adams is usually looking for a return catch.
However, Chris didn’t have to look for the return as Andy lofted it gently to him - mis-timing a beautiful off break - and out he was for 61. The score was now on 102 for 2 from 16 overs. The College were well on target, requiring 42 from the last 9 overs. Clive Lock was in at the time and saw a succession of partners come and go. The first for... nought. The second for..... nought. The third for ..... (yes you’ve guessed it) nought. It was then 122 for 5 from 22.4 overs. The fifth ball brought Clive 2 runs. The sixth saw him OUT !! for 44. Cheers all round, the tension was mounting, 124 for 6 with 12 balls left - 20 required. But not achieved. The next two overs were slow and tentative from the batsman, forced on them by the bowling of Ball and Newcombe. Just nine more were scored with the loss of one wicket (credited to our Chair, Martin Fearn) for the College to close on 133 for 7.

Well done the OGA - the Jubilee Cup is once more back in our possession. Lets keep it there next year. Our many thanks to those who played - if you are interested in this years match on May 8th, then please call Jonathan Elliott on 0161 748 2129.

**Martin and Martine Triumph**

In August, Martin and Martine Fearn offered an open invitation to all Old Georgians, friends and relations to attend a barbecue at the their home in Southport. The proceeds of the afternoon were to go to the O.G.A. fund, and a handsome amount was raised. The event was well attended - Martins chargrilled (some say charred and grilled) steaks were well known and everyone enjoyed the food and hospitality offered by our Chairman and his family. Games, competitions, a tobola and a raffle were also held with a great time being had by all. Even the weather was kind, providing a warm sunny afternoon was for what is hoped to be the first of many summer events for Old Georgians and their families.

**Fergies Triple Chance Threatened**

Alex Fergusons hope to bring the same trophy to Manchester United in three consecutive years appears to be doomed for the ‘90s. The league slipped away, the FA Cup was given away..... But Tony Milner may be able to succeed where Fergie failed.

Yes, last November saw the second triumph for Tony in the third, annual Chairmans Snooker Competition (he also triumphed in the doubles this year, having signed up Stan Rimmer to ‘keep up the other end’). This years competition took on a slightly different format, with the Singles and Doubles competitions running in tandem on the two tables at the S&B. This enabled both finals to be played consecutively, with a cheering audience kept captivated until the end of the evening. Supper was taken prior to the semi-finals and an excellent hot pot it was too !

Well done to Stan for the organisation and for all who took part.

PS - Tony may find it a little more difficult next year when a handicap system is planned to be put into place.
The College Theatrical Production - April 1996

Chairman's Weekend 9/10 March 1996
Somewhere in the Lake District - please contact Martin on 01704 543169 for further information

Annual General Meeting & Association Dinner - Thursday 4th April 1996
Details are on pages 19 & 20.

OGA Sports Challenge Day - Wednesday 8th May 1996
A gentleman's cricket match to be played at the Ainsdale Cricket Club. Would all interested parties please contact Jon Elliott on 0161 748 2129.

"Marketing Yourself" - 16th July 1996 (provisional)

Chairmans Barbecue - August 1996

Chairmans Snooker Night - November 1996

Old Georgians' Concert - November 1996

Careers Evening - November 1996
The 1996 Challenge

Last year we saw the introduction of a crossword for you and the interest shown has forced its continuation this year - though with a slightly easier one for you. 'Thank you' to all who entered last year, they made very interesting reading and well done to the winner.

The rules and the clues are on the next page. Good luck!
The Rules For The 1996 Challenge

Please note - whilst the clues seem straightforward - you have to write the answers **IN REVERSE**!! e.g. if the answer was ESSEX, then write it XESSE. The answers are on page ???

The Clues

Up
1 - see 10D
4 (and 19A) - a Deputy Head
6 - a Principal
9 - the cup for the best School House, now the cricket trophy
10 (and 1D) - a Headmaster
11 (and 22A) - a Headmaster and Principal
12 (and 13A) - a Deputy Head
15 - see 37D and 2A
16 (and 3A) - the date KGV was officially opened
20 - the retired market gardener is the Associations ...., numerically speaking
21 - the year the 6th Form College was formed
26 - the venue of the 1st XV Rugby tour in 1979
31 (and 40A) - a Deputy Head
35 (and 1A) - a Deputy Head
37 (and 15D) - the current site of the original school
18, 28, 29, 30, 41 - School Houses

Across
1 - see 35D, 24A and 7A
2 - with 15D, these are on the site of the old school buildings
3 - see 16D
5 - the number of Heads of School and Principals of the College (to date)
7 - a Deputy Head
8, 25, 32, 36 - School Houses
11 - the Earl who opened the original KGV
13 - see 12D
14 - along with 37D and 15D, what stands on the original school (39A) site
17 - the number of stairwells in the old school building
19 - see 4D
22 - see 11D
23 - the number of houses through the fifties and sixties
24 (and 1A) - a Headmaster
27 - the year of this century when the School was officially opened
33 - see 38A
38 (and 33A) - a Principal
39 - the name of the original school
40 (and 31D) - a Deputy Head
Old Georgians’ Annual Dinner

SOUTHPORT & BIRKDALE CRICKET CLUB
Thursday April 4th 1996

With its continuing popularity, The County Cricket Ground in Trafalgar Road is the venue for our annual dinner on Maundy Thursday. Mrs. Hilary Anslow, Principal of the College, will preside over the evening. Our guest speaker for the evening will be Old Georgian David Lonsdale (Spencers, 1973-80), an established television and theatre actor, who has appeared in several popular shows including Coronation Street, The Bill and Heartbeat.

The menu will be as follows:

- Farmhouse Vegetable Soup
- Roast Norfolk Turkey with Savoury Stuffing, Chippolata Sausages and Selected Vegetables
- Sherry Trifle
- Cheese and Biscuits
- Coffee and Mints

Dinner will be at 8.00 p.m., preceded by the Annual General Meeting at 7.00 p.m. Tickets are priced £15 and are available from the organiser, STAN RIMMER, Tel:576713, members of the committee or ROGER MITCHELL at K.G.V. College, Tel: 530601. If you have any special dietary requirements, please inform Stan as soon as possible.

If you are using the enclosed form, please complete it and send it to Roger Mitchell at K.G.V. In addition, whether you can or cannot attend the dinner, please forward any new information on yourself and state whether you would like further information, nearer the date, of the Autumn Concert at the College.
Old Georgians’
Annual General Meeting

SOUTHPORT & BIRKDALE CRICKET CLUB

Thursday April 4th 1996

Commencing 7.00 p.m. prompt.

Agenda

1. Apologies

2. Minutes of Last Annual General Meeting

3. Matters Arising

4. Chairman's Report

5. Hon.Treasurer's Report

   a) President
   b) Chairman
   c) Vice-Chairman
   d) Hon.Treasurer
   e) Hon.Secretary
   f) Hon. Assistant Secretary
   g) College Representative
   h) Hon.Auditors
   i) New Committee Members

7. Date of Next O.G.A. Ordinary Meeting

8. Any Other Business
Please return this form if any of the following apply:

1) the information about your name and address is incomplete or incorrect - please complete section A.
2) You wish to order ties or tickets - section A and B and include the full, correct payment.
3) You can provide information to be included in next year's Red Rose - sections A and E (overleaf).
4) If you would like to be considered for the cricket team on May 8th 1996, please complete C (and return by May 1st to the College).

The 1997 Red Rose Newsletter will be sent to the same address as this year's unless you send updated information.

A Name (please state your christian name) ..........................................
Address ..............................................................................................
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Post Code ...........................................
Years at School/College - 19 /19 House/Div _______________

B Would you like tickets for the 1996 Annual Dinner @ £15 each, yes/no number ____
Would you like an O.G.A. tie (@£7.50 inc. p&p) YES/NO number ____

C Would you like to be considered for the 1996 OGA v College cricket match... yes/no.

Please make cheques payable to 'The Old Georgians Association'.

Please return this form to

Mr. R. Mitchell
King George V College
Scarisbrick New Road
Southport
PR8 6LR
Please enter any information that may be of interest to fellow Old Georgians' that can be included in the next newsletter.