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The Admission of New Fellows – from left: Dr Brown, Dr Watts, Dr Scott, Dr Geiges, Dr Kim, Mr Hart, Dr MacKay, and the acting praelector, Dr Walker.

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- Andrew Charles Collop, B.Eng.(Greenwich), Ph.D. Bye-Fellow (Engineering).
- John Stuart Richer, M.A., Ph.D. Bye-Fellow (Physics).

From the President

The English university system is in a state of rapid change. Greatly enlarged by the accession of the former polytechnics, its numbers now significantly exceed a hundred and they include institutions of very diverse kinds. It is important to preserve that diversity and not to succumb to a uniformitarianism which would be both unrealistic and unhelpful in meeting the varied national needs for higher education. In particular the happy circumstance that there are collegiate universities - large enough to rank on the international scene but composed of communities small enough to provide friendship and mutual support - is one that must be preserved. Needless to say, Queens' will do all in its power to contribute to that preservation and to its continuing enhancement, aided by its Old Members and other well-wishers.

Accountability is one of the watchwords of the day, with continual questionnaires and assessments concerning policy, activity and intentions. Within reason that is entirely sensible, but I feel that in some aspects of university life the pressure for accountability has got out of hand. Many people seem to spend more time writing down what they have done or hope to do than actually getting on with the job. In fact, I believe that the vast majority of academics are responsible and dedicated people. After all, we teach and research because we enjoy the privilege of being able to do so. Colleges are not exempt from these pressures, though perhaps our small scale permits us procedures which are less impersonal and more humane in character. We have an appraisal scheme in Queens' in relation to College office holders. Its aim, as in everything else we seek to do, is to improve the quality of College life and work. We have entered into a great heritage and we share with all members of the College the desire and the will to pass it on to our successors made greater still.

JOHN POLKINGHORNE

The Society

The Fellows in 1994

The Society was saddened in September by the death of Dr Hughes. He had served the College loyally and well for over thirty years. A scientist of original and independent mind, he was able, just before his death, to see his last book *The Enigma of Angiosperm Origins* fresh from the press. An obituary appears elsewhere in this issue together with a note about the setting up of a memorial fund.

Once again it has been a year with many changes in the Fellowship. Dr Howard Jones left us to take up a Lectureship in Chemical Engineering at Sheffield University and Dr Boucher to take up a Lectureship in English at Queen Mary and Westfield College, London. Mr Marshall resigned his Bye-Fellowship in Law to devote himself more fully to a career at the bar. Two of our Research Fellows reached the limit of their tenure. Dr Allison has returned to his native South Africa as a Senior Lecturer in Law at Cape Town University and Dr Rubiés i Mirabet is a Lecturer in History at Reading University. Canon Hebblethwaite resigned from the Deanship after twenty-six years of service to the College and its chapel. He remains a University Lecturer in Divinity and continues in the Society as a Life Fellow. We thank all these leavers for

their many and valuable services to Queens' and wish them every success in the future.

The number of women Fellows received a welcome increase with the appointments of Dr Scott as an Official Fellow in Social and Political Sciences and Dr Brown as an Official Fellow in English. A third new Official Fellow is Dr Watts, the first Starbridge Lecturer in science and theology, who joins us to teach theology and psychology. Dr Richer has returned to Queens' as a Bye-Fellow in Physics and Dr Collop is a second new Bye-Fellow. His subject is Mechanical Engineering. Our two new Research Fellows are Mr Hart, an English scholar specializing in Byron, and Dr Kim, a lawyer specializing in medieval jurisprudence.

Dr Holmes has added the Deanship to his Chaplaincy and becomes an Official Fellow. Dr Kahrs and Dr Roderic Jones have become Tutors. Dr Weber has become a Professorial Fellow on taking up the Churchill Professorship of Mathematics for Operational Research. Dr Gee has become Rooms Fellow, succeeding Dr Howard Jones who filled that office with great efficiency and good nature.

Matrimony has been popular among the Fellows - Dr Singh, Dr Cebon and Dr Leask were all married in the course of the year.

The President has been appointed Chairman of a Department of Health Task Force to Review Services for Drug Misusers, and also a Canon Theologian of Liverpool Cathedral. He gave the Sproule Lectures at McGill University and he has published his Gifford Lectures as *Science and Christian Belief*, as well as writing in a more popular vein, *Quarks, Chaos and Christianity*. He received the honorary degrees of D.D. from the University of Kent and D.Sc. from the University of Exeter. Dr Singh has been given a Bronze Amex Award for his essay 'How do Large Corporations in Developing Countries Finance their Growth?'. Dr Callingham has been elected a Vice-President of the Institute of Biology. Dr Diggle has brought to completion twenty years of scholarly work on Euripides by publishing the third volume of his Oxford Classical Text, together with *Euripidea: Collected Essays*. Amidst much work in relation to the splendid new building for the Faculty of Law, due to be completed in June 1995, Professor Tiley has found time to be Baker and Hostetler Visiting Professor at the Cleveland Marshall School of Law and also to visit Paris University IX. Dr Coaker received a Lincoln University Foundation Award which enabled him to spend two months in New Zealand as a visiting scientist. Dr Spufford has been elected a Fellow of the British Academy. He lectured in Japan and was able to visit Osaka Gakuin University. Dr Towle has become Director of the University's Centre of International Studies. During sabbatical leave he lectured and did research in India, the United States and Canada. Sir Ronald Oxburgh has received the honorary degree of D.Sc. from the University of Edinburgh. Dr Macleod is responsible for aspects of the development of the new four-year course in Engineering and he also serves on a Professional Group Sub-Committee of the Institute of Electrical Engineers. Dr Cebon shared in the Partnership Trust Award for Innovation in Teaching Materials Science. Granta Design Ltd (of which he is, in his spare time, Managing Director) won the award for UK Technology Transfer of the Year at the Computing Awards for Excellence, 1994. Dr Field is President of the International Society for Antiviral Research. He has been elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Pathologists. Dr

Prager helped to organize a very successful Summer School for the Cambridge Neural Network Group. Dr Pitelis has spent a term on leave as an expert advisor to the Greek Minister of Industry, co-ordinating a project on the future of Greek industry. His paper 'Industrial Strategy for Britain in Europe in the World' appeared as a special issue of the *Journal of Economic Studies*. Mr Reynolds continues his work on translations from the Russian and he has been pre-lected to a teaching Fellowship at Selwyn College. Dr Gee has begun to work on computer vision. He visited research institutes in India and Australia. Dr Pinch has been appointed to an Affiliated Lectureship in Mathematics under a scheme sponsored by the Isaac Newton Trust.

Among Fellow Commoners, Mr Watson, in collaboration with a second author, has published *Atlas of Scleritis*, and Dr Sattelle organized a satellite meeting of the Montreal International Congress of Pharmacology.

JOHN POLKINGHORNE

Thomae Smithi Academia

The Thomae Smithi Academia, a discussion group for Fellows and Fellow Commoners, continues to meet twice a Term on Monday evenings in the Old Senior Combination Room. The following topics were discussed: Lent Term, 'Who will speak for the Colleges?', introduced by Dr Walker; 'Genetic Engineering: Friend or Foe?', introduced by Dr Johnstone; Easter Term, 'The Need for Shocks', introduced by Sir David Walker; Michaelmas Term, 'Fortitude', introduced by Dr Pinch; 'The Wines of Bordeaux', introduced by Mr Christopher Hart.

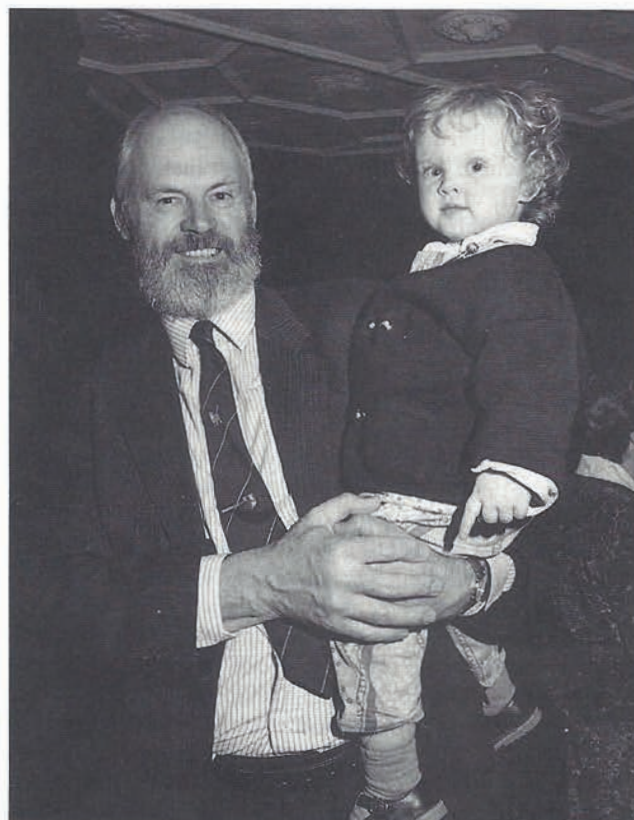
The minutes of the Society record that the second meeting, on 15 November 1976, was a 'Discussion on College Wine, introduced by Mr Norman Hughes'. Every year, for the next seventeen years, Norman delighted the Society with a discussion on wine, introducing members to every regional variety, of which he provided samples from the College cellars. He was one of the founders of the Society, and had not missed a single one of its 94 meetings.

JAMES DIGGLE

A Quarter of a Century in the Decanal Stall

In the summer Emma Hebblethwaite was ordained to a curacy in Framlingham. As a consequence Brian Hebblethwaite has resigned all his College offices at Queens' and retired as an Official Fellow after 25 years as Dean of Chapel.

He came to us as Chaplain in 1968 after 'Greats' at Magdalen College, Oxford (he never misses an opportunity to remind us of the merits of 'the other place'), Theology at Magdalene, Cambridge, and Westcott House, and a curacy in Bury, Lancashire. Full of energy and bonhomie, he rapidly became established at Queens', epitomising the new generation of younger Fellows as ready to take a drink with undergraduates in the Bar as to enjoy the conviviality of the SCR and able to communicate and deal effectively with young people in the aftermath of the 'student revolution' of the late sixties. Bright, breezy, even dynamic as a young Chaplain, he encouraged undergraduates with cries of "splendid" or admonished them with a cheery "monstrous". It is perhaps difficult for those who knew the rather more staid and august Dean of later years to comprehend that this



Brian Hebblethwaite with his daughter.

Photo: Brian Callingham

was the same man who travelled overland to India by moped or climbed a crane on the Cripps building site for a dare.

It rapidly became apparent to the College that they had on their hands not only an effective Chaplain but also a scholar of great academic potential. He was the obvious choice to succeed Henry Hart as Dean of Chapel on the latter's marriage and was soon appointed to a University Lectureship in the Faculty of Divinity. Brian is learned in many fields - no-one who visited his rooms in College could fail to be impressed by his extraordinarily extensive library or by the ever-changing pile of books on a great variety of subjects beside his chair in the process of being read - but his main speciality has been in the Philosophy of Religion. This field soon led him into conflict with his friend and colleague Don Cupitt, the Dean of Emmanuel. Brian's article in *The Truth of God Incarnate*, a collection of essays hastily put together to counter Cupitt's *The Myth of God Incarnate*, is generally considered the most effective, and the title of his book *The Ocean of Truth* is deliberately contrasted with Cupitt's *The Sea of Faith*. Brian's more conservative and less controversial views are, of course, less newsworthy than his more famous colleague's, but are meticulously worded, closely argued and forcefully expressed in these and other books, as well as in a host of articles. He was awarded a Cambridge B.D. degree in 1984, nowadays a rare distinction. He is Canon Theologian with a stall in Leicester Cathedral and has acted as Bishop's Examining Chaplain in the Diocese of Manchester.

In addition to his job as Dean of Chapel, Brian did a stint as a Tutor and was for many years Director of Studies in Theological and Religious Studies. To relax he liked nothing better than Pevsnerising a district, motoring around the countryside with a group of friends or students with a copy of the relevant county's *Buildings of England* series edited by Nikolaus Pevsner, becoming something of an

expert on the obscurer technical terms of church architecture. The day he acquired the last in the series (*Essex*) he held a prodigious 'Malt Whisky and Wagner' party for all his friends. His other enthusiasms include, above all, opera, but also music in general (his encouragement of the Chapel Choir over the years has been very fruitful), cricket, hill-walking and all things Indian, following several visits there. His political views are well-known to students and colleagues alike - a mischievous Chapel Clerk once altered the nameboards over Brian's and John Green's (then Dean of College) rooms to "The Red Dean" and "The Green Dean" during Evensong. A founder member of the SDP, he has now rejoined the Labour Party. He ran the 'E Society' with success and is a faithful supporter of the St Margaret Society and the Bats (though he always complains loudly if the May Week production is not Shakespeare) and many other College clubs and societies. Always fond of fine wine and good food, he lost few opportunities of attending a good dinner, helping to found the short-lived Francis Masters Society dining club, and even belonging to the Cherubs.

In the late seventies he bought a tiny thatched cottage in Suffolk (later moving to a bigger one down the road) and there was nothing he liked better than to retreat into his rural idyll for a weekend with his opera videos, his books and his garden. There the choir or his theological students or colleagues were entertained to tea or to fish and chips from the local emporium, followed by a visit to the local hostelry.

His sermons in Chapel made you think - one often felt one wanted to read them through again and consider each closely-worded phrase and well-balanced point separately (fortunately Brian afforded us an opportunity to do just that by publishing a collection of his *Sermons from Queens'* in 1985). He is never afraid to stand up and be counted, whether denouncing Don Cupitt or Conservative Party higher education policy or mixed sharing at Queens'. He was able through his wide acquaintance in the theological world to attract many learned men and women to preach in College. He has a great love of the language of Coverdale and Cranmer and has never really been at home with modern language services or encouraged their use in Chapel. He always ensured that the Chapel and its services were well-ordered and efficiently run.

As the years went by he settled into the persona of a senior, patriarchal College figure, very learned, perhaps slightly remote in his eerie at the top of Essex staircase - the archetypal don. Then came Emma. The old beret was replaced by a trendy trilby, the elderly coat by a fashionable gabardine. The somewhat portly figure was dramatically slimmed down, the slightly testy and crusty moods disappeared, his previous indifference to the animal kingdom was replaced by a love of all things feline, there was a new, jaunty spring in his step. His marriage and the birth in 1993 of his much-loved daughter, Alex, has inevitably meant Brian's slow withdrawal from the centre of College life, but no doubt we shall still see plenty of him as a Life Fellow.

JONATHAN HOLMES

The Hart Walk: 30 May 1994

I mentioned to some friends a day or two beforehand that I was going to walk up Skiddaw on Bank Holiday Monday. The reaction was that I was even more stupid than my friends had appreciated: it always rains hard on bank

holidays and, if it doesn't, every path in the Lake District is crowded with day-trippers. The only consolation appeared to be that, were I to have a heart attack, where better for it than the top of Skiddaw, the fourth highest (3053ft) peak in the Lake District.

As it turned out, no day could have begun better. From my guest house in Grange in Borrowdale I had a bright sunny view of Skiddaw without a cloud to be seen. At around half past ten on this brilliant clear morning some seventeen people assembled just behind Latrigg, when seen from Keswick. Alexandra Hebblethwaite was the youngest at just over one year and was to be carried on her father's back; Henry Hart was the senior member of this family party, soberly dressed in black beret and walking boots of fifty years ago. Those of us anxious not to be left unnoticed wore scarlet and more modern, psychedelic gear. We had left Gill Hart behind for a day's painting on her own. Henry knew exactly when she could expect us to return, because over the years every walk in the area had been timed and noted in a diary.

The ascent is steep, but well defined. Henry used a walking stick and moved at the same speed whether we were going uphill, downhill or on the level. The main feature of the ascent is the huge panoramic view over Keswick of Derwentwater, Borrowdale, the Newlands and Coledale valleys, with every large peak clearly seen. At this time of year the valleys were especially green and lush. Someone noticed that the RAF was having a bank holiday, because we were spared their thunderous, low-level, dashes along valley bottoms.



The Hart Walk 1994.

Photo: Allan Hayhurst

Lakeland walking is an ideal way of meeting others in a party. The pace of conversation is slowed by one's lack of breath; the frequent pauses cause everyone to chat to someone new. Our group had the usual, fascinatingly wide spectrum of Old Queensmen: a civil engineer, an opera singer, the man in charge of the Japanese section of the British Museum, a schoolmaster, a parson and, quite unusually, one of that new band of barons, the appraisers of university courses. Slowly we all plodded upwards. The energetic ones ascended Little Man as a modest diversion and we all re-met just before the last push to Skiddaw's flat, shaley top. Scotland was clearly visible, but alas whether or not the Isle of Man could be seen was never totally resolved. We all lunched in the lee of the summit and shared two huge fruit cakes baked for the occasion. The more enterprising habitués of these events produced tiny cans of bucks fizz, as well as gin and tonic.

The descent freed us of the cutting wind and enabled us to walk with the breath-taking view now in front of us. Again the more mobile light infantrymen of the party veered off to the left to explore Jenkin Hill, whilst the rest picked their way carefully down the rocky path. We rested whilst our 82 year old produced his pipe for our scheduled stop, whilst others gorged themselves on chocolate biscuits. The rest of the descent was straightforward: the wanderers returned from the diversion towards Jenkin Hill and Lonscale Fell. Just as we reached level ground, there was Gill Hart waiting for us. Everyone was on time, the sun was still shining ...

Tea and cakes were to be had under the verandah of one of the cafés at Grange in Borrowdale. Afterwards we all had dinner at the crowded pub at Stonethwaite. It was only here that I realised that it was a Bank Holiday Monday: the place was bustling with teenagers and families talking about their day's exploits. People were relaxing and then I realised that a few days ago I had been intimidated by the prospect of joining my first Hart Walk. It turned out to be a typical occasion with him present: you meet lots of lovely people whom you would be very happy to see again. The unobtrusive organisation of the expedition was due to Charles Moseley, whose attention to detail and bouncy enthusiasm ensured this was a wonderful day. Our thanks go to him and, as ever, to H.StJ.H.

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Norman Francis Hughes (1918 - 1994)

Norman Hughes had an enormous affection for Queens' and was one of those Fellows who seem to become almost part of the very fabric of the College. He took great interest in all that was going on and there can be little of significance in the past forty years of College history that Norman did not know about or have an opinion on.

He matriculated in 1937 from King's College School, Wimbledon, and came to Queens' to read for the Natural Sciences Tripos taking Mineralogy, Geology, Botany and Zoology. He obtained a first in Part I in 1939 and was elected to a Foundation Scholarship. He was also awarded a University Prize, the Wiltshire Prize for distinction. Norman's studies were interrupted by military service; he was commissioned into the Field and Survey Regiment of the Royal Artillery, served in the United Kingdom, North Africa and Italy, and by 1945 had attained the rank of Captain. After demobilisation he returned to Queens' in the Lent Term 1946 and completed his Part II in 1947 with first class honours. His distinguished performance gained him a half share in a Harkness Scholarship.

In May 1944 2nd Officer Pamela Le Boutillier, W.R.N.S., attended a Saturday-night hop in Hull where she was stationed. She had not been very keen to attend, but was persuaded to do so by mess-mates. An equally reluctant Norman, who was stationed nearby was similarly persuaded. They met, danced a little and talked a lot, both being delighted to have found a kindred spirit. They married that July in Shorne, near Gravesend. The weather was fine and, as it was 1944, the sky was decorated with barrage balloons and there was a fly-past of V-1 bombs (buzz bombs). Norman was posted to Italy quite soon after the wedding and the newly-weds did not meet again until 1946 when they came together to Cambridge for Norman to finish his degree.

In 1947 Norman was appointed to a lectureship at Bedford College, London where he started the research whereby he

was to contribute so much in the next 40 years. He moved back to Cambridge to take up a University Lectureship in 1952 and assumed responsibility for the teaching of palaeobotany in the Geology Department.

Following on his undergraduate studies in botany, Norman's research interests had in 1948 focussed on the study of plant microfossils, principally of pollen and spores. It was in this field, palynology, that he was subsequently to become known internationally. He developed a new approach to the classification of Mesozoic strata based on the study of microspores. This approach was seen by him and his supporters as being complementary to long-established palaeontological methods, but acceptance of it has still to become universal, and continues to be a subject of debate.

A parallel and equally weighty line of research concerned the palaeobiology of one of the main divisions of flowering plants, the angiosperms. The electron microscope provides a much higher level of discrimination between different kinds of fossils than is possible with classical microscopy. Norman was one of the first palaeobotanists to recognise the potential of the new tool and the implications of what it revealed. In particular, it led him to conclude that traditional methods of classification were not sufficient to encompass the new revelations. Again, broad acceptance of his reasoning has yet to become universal.

Norman's first publication *Wealdon plant microfossils*, illustrated by Pamela, was published in 1955; eventually there was a total of more than 80 papers, articles and books bearing his name. The most recent was a book *The Enigma of Angiosperm Origins* (1994). He was awarded an Sc.D. degree for his research in 1977.



Norman Hughes.

Photo: Brian Callingham

In the course of his career Norman supervised 25 or more research students. Most of these students have now established their own reputations in academia, industry or geological survey. Norman himself was a well-known figure in international palaeontological circles and served, often as chairman or president, on many associations, commissions and committees. He is remembered particularly for his generosity with his time in support of the work of his students and colleagues. Norman retired from his University lectureship in 1985 having just been awarded the Sedgewick Prize for his distinguished work.

Norman's military career did not end with his return to Cambridge in 1946: he continued to serve in the Territorial Army in the Royal Engineers Specialist Pool of Geologists until retirement in 1970, with the rank of Colonel. He was awarded both Territorial and Emergency Reserve Decorations in recognition of his service.

It seems quite remarkable that in addition to all the aforementioned activity anyone could also serve the College to the extent that Norman did. The College is always pleased when one of its members returns to Cambridge to a University appointment and thoughts turn naturally to the possibility of a Fellowship. There were such thoughts concerning Norman in 1952, but at that time the Governing Body numbered only 18 and there was reluctance to increase that number. Consequently, Norman's eventual election to a Fellowship did not occur until 1962 when there was a concerted effort by all the Cambridge colleges to match the increase in establishment of the University that had occurred since the war with an appropriate increase in the number of College Fellowships. Perhaps the long delay in being elected was not entirely to Norman's disadvantage. In the intervening years he had, of course, carried his full share of undergraduate supervision for Queens' and other colleges, but he was also able to lay down secure foundations for his subsequent prodigious output of research unencumbered by the distractions of College Office.

Norman was appointed Steward in Queens' in 1962, an Office which he held until 1972. The latter part of this period was not entirely a happy one: the College had grown to the extent that it had become difficult to accommodate the students for meals in the Old Hall. At the same time many students had come to resent the system of compulsory attendance at and pre-payment for dinners. As a result, the office of Steward became a focus for discontent that Norman found himself unable to resolve, mainly because of constraints and forces outside his control. At the same time, while he was always willing to embrace new ideas with enthusiasm when he was satisfied with their validity and value, he was also a traditionalist who saw no virtue in being moved by the winds of fashion. Thus it was ironic that at the time when Norman was being regarded by a section of his professional colleagues as an iconoclast, he was simultaneously regarded by a section of the College as a reactionary.

Until 1972 the purchase of wine for the College cellars and its subsequent use for College functions were part of the duties of the Steward. Norman was the first person to hold the title of College Wine Secretary and it was an appointment that he continued to hold until his death, notwithstanding his retirement in 1985. His expertise on the subject of wine was generally recognised in Queens' and in Cambridge at large; he was even regularly invited to organise tastings for the JCR and MCR.

In 1976 the President, Derek Bowett, and two Fellows, Jonathan Riley-Smith and Norman, jointly brought about

the inauguration of the *Thomae Smithi Academia*. Norman was thereafter an unfailing supporter. Furthermore, he took great care to see that every meeting was supplied with claret worthy of the occasion. An annual highlight of the Calendar occurred when Norman himself addressed the meeting and instructed, with appropriate samples, the President and Fellows on a theme related to a particular wine. It was a sort of practical class.

Perhaps Norman will be most remembered by the Membership of the College for his work concerning the Old Members: there can have been few occasions in the past forty years when Norman did not attend the Annual Club Weekend and Dinner. Indeed, from 1967 until 1992 he was the Treasurer of the Club and consequently responsible for organising the event. Its continuing popularity is in part due to Norman's efforts to ensure its success. In 1985 the President, Ron Oxburgh, proposed the inauguration of the Invitation Dinner for Old Members. As soon as the details had been agreed Norman took on the role of Secretary for the dinner and was active in that capacity right up to the time of his death.

As Keeper of the Records for the College since 1978 Norman was continually involved with Old Members directly or was dealing with enquiries about them. He estimated that he dealt with over 500 change of address cards a year.

On his retirement Norman became a Life Fellow. He gave up supervising undergraduates, but his other interests expanded to fill any gap. In spite of all this activity Norman rarely gave any impression of being hard-pressed: events that he organised personally or had a hand in running always ran smoothly. He was an excellent host and, whether it was an official function or a private party, he always took care that guests were well provided for in both sustenance and company. He kept himself well informed about international, national and parochial events and formed opinions about most of them. He enjoyed serious discussion but was also very happy to indulge in banter in lighter conversations. In the words of a friend, "he was a lovely man".

JIM PRENTIS

John Wilson Findlay - Fellow 1945-53

John Findlay, who has died aged 79, won a scholarship to Queens' in 1934 from King Edward VI School, Stratford-upon-Avon. After firsts in the Natural Sciences Tripos he started research for a Ph.D. in the radio-physics group in the Cavendish Laboratory, studying the reflection of radio waves from the ionosphere. He was Lord Rutherford's last research student. Like most of his contemporaries his studies were interrupted by war service. He became a Scientific Officer with the RAF working on the development of radar and then on the setting up of radar stations in the Middle East and India. He attained the rank of Squadron Leader and was awarded the M.B.E.

He returned to Cambridge in 1945 to resume his research (finally obtaining his Ph.D. in 1950) and was elected a Fellow of Queens'. He was Junior Bursar, Assistant Director of Studies in Natural Sciences and an effective physics teacher. He became a University Demonstrator at the Cavendish. He left in 1953 to be Assistant Director of Electronics Research for the Ministry of Supply, particularly directing a team in charge of research and development of new radar systems.

His wife Jean is American and in 1957 he emigrated to the United States to help plan the building of the US National Radio Astronomy Observatory at Green Bank, West Virginia. In 1959 he was appointed Chairman of the Research Equipment Development Department and was deeply involved in the development, design, and construction of the Observatory's antennae, telescopes and other equipment. He was Deputy Director of the Observatory from 1961 to 1972, then continued to work there as a Senior Scientist until he retired in 1985. He also worked for many scientific and professional societies and for agencies of the US Government, including stints as Chairman of the Lunar and Planetary Missions Board which advised NASA on the planning and conduct of the Moon Missions, as a member of the Space Science Board of the National Academy of Sciences, Chairman of that body's study of the scientific uses of the Space Shuttle, and Chairman of committees involved in the international effort to protect radio astronomy frequencies from interference from radio communications. A very well-known figure in the radio astronomy world, he was a Fellow of the Institute of Electronic and Electrical Engineers and of the American Institute for the Advancement of Science.

Robert Latham - Fellow 1945-48

Robert Latham was born in 1914 and came to Queens' in 1933 from Wade Deacon Grammar School, Widnes, with a State Scholarship and a College Entrance Scholarship to read Natural Sciences, taking a First in both Pt I and Pt II. His research studentship at the Cavendish was suspended when he volunteered for war service during which he was involved in the development of high pressure microwave valves used in radar and subsequently adapted to drive linear particle accelerators. Back in Cambridge he completed his Ph.D. and was elected to a Research Fellowship at Queens'. As a senior member of the cyclotron team researching on the scattering of neutrons, his gifts as a scientist were recognised by Sir George Thompson, who invited him in 1948 to move to Imperial College, London, to start up, with the ultimate objective of nuclear fusion and the generation of electricity by conversion of hydrogen into helium, what is now a major centre for Plasma Physics research. For a time he was also involved in the study of the energy levels of atomic nuclei and made significant contributions in this work. However, his main commitment was to Plasma Physics in which his firm grasp of engineering principles and his deep understanding of physics ideally fitted him to design, construct and operate the necessarily large and complicated apparatus required in this field. By nature purposeful, deliberate and unhurried he was a valuable laboratory companion who could always be relied upon to approach and frequently resolve a crisis with calm serenity. His quiet confidence that a little persistence would usually yield an answer was often justified. Generations of research students benefited from his example, guidance and encouragement. A man of honesty, integrity and good humour he held the respect and affection of students and colleagues alike.

In later life Robert became interested in the problems of General Relativity and a report on the series of relevant experiments he carried out, in the U.K. and deep underground in South Africa, appeared in the *Proceedings of the Royal Society*. Robert continued this work in retirement maintaining his enthusiasm for experimental science to the end. Latterly he divided his time between

London and a second family home in Fleet, Lincolnshire, and, as a committed Christian, became involved in the restoration of the lovely old church there. His labours in Fleet and at Imperial College were both labours of love.

MMS

The Staff

Several events were held during the year including an enjoyable Christmas Dinner Dance in the Cripps Dining Hall and a theatre trip to see *Buddy*.

Members will know that for many years we have charged entry fees during the tourist season (except for members and Cambridge residents). The team who are responsible for this are called our Gate Ladies; and provide an efficient and friendly interface with visitors, under the leadership of Mrs Lawlor, our Visitors' Officer.

Last March Tony Tingey retired as Head Chef after almost twenty years with the College. We are confident that our new Head Chef, Duncan Foulkes, who comes to us from the Garden House Hotel, will maintain our high standards. Lil Higgins also retired during the past year; she had been a Bedmaker for twelve years having joined the College on her retirement from a previous employer!

It is with regret that I report the deaths of three of our pensioners: Jim Reynolds (Buttery Manager, 1930-74) who presided over the dining hall for many years with his colleague the late Aubrey Simmonds; Betty Mills (Bedmaker, 1979-90); and Mrs Rose Covill (Bedmaker, 1935-66).

ANDY COSH

The Fabric

When Cripps Court and Lyon Court were built, the secure railings and gates at the Y staircase end of Fisher Building were lost. Since then, college site security has relied on a hedge planted during the 1970s and temporary gates erected across Fisher Drive by the builders. The gates were unsightly and the hedge insecure. Work is in progress to erect steel railings along the entire College perimeter facing Queens' Green and Silver Street, with new gates opposite W staircase to admit delivery traffic from Silver Street. The gates will be capable of remote control from the Porters' Lodge. The new railings and gates will harmonise with the design of the existing railings and gates between Fisher Building and the River.

Many generations of Queens' students will recall the lodging house at 65 Panton Street, where Mrs Thompson was landlady, which now provides accommodation for some of our postgraduates. Queens' has more recently purchased 63 and 61 Panton Street and 98/100 Norwich Street, behind the Panton Street houses, which was formerly the brewery attached to the Alma pub. We have now demolished the former brewery buildings, and are in the process of erecting a new house to accommodate 16 postgraduates, with a common courtyard to serve the new house and the three Panton Street houses. When complete, this combined site will house 41 Queens' students, bringing the total units of accommodation available off the main site to 179.

Last year I reported that restoration works had been carried out in Room C2 in Old Court. In the Long Vacation 1994, this programme was continued to the neighbouring room B1. This medieval room, dating from 1449, had had most of its original internal fabric obscured over the centuries. The room was

stripped back to its original timber framing. The ceiling was restored so that the original ceiling beams are on view: this revealed that one of the major load-bearing beams for the floor above had a large hole, arising from the work of centuries-dead beetles. Fortunately, the beam was so substantial that its load-bearing capacity was still adequate. The studwork wall between C2 and B1 had been repaired last year, and just required to be stripped back and replastered in half-timbered style. Adjustments were made to the central heating arrangements to make them less obtrusive. These restoration works not only make the room more attractive visually, but have also involved the removal of substantial amounts of flammable softwood laths from the layers of plaster which used to cover the medieval studwork and ceilings.

The heating decentralisation projects described last year in Old Court and Walnut Tree Court were extended this year to the Munro Room, the Old Combination Room, and the Old Hall. In the Munro Room, 30-year old fan-assisted convectors were replaced by conventional panel radiators, and new radiators added on the north side of the room. In the OCR the fan-assisted convector was renewed. In the Old Hall, the fan-assisted convectors at either end of High Table were removed and new radiators added around the Hall under the bench seating. All these rooms are now heated from the new boiler house created for the undergraduate library.

The Chapel also acquired its own boiler. After much searching, the least unsatisfactory location for a boiler was agreed to be in the organ loft, over the south door, where the flue could be fixed almost invisibly. The new boiler provides the Chapel with a more satisfactory steady low heat than the previous system. During these works, the humidifier for the organ was damaged internally, something that went unnoticed for many months, until the organ began exhibiting signs of distress during the early weeks of 1995. After the repair of the humidifier, the organ slowly put itself right, to our very great relief.

The heating pipes under the lawns were now redundant. The gardeners dug them out, cut down the brick ducts, and back-filled with new top-soil (this soil, it should be noted, was taken from pitches at the Fenner's cricket ground, where new pitches were being prepared to first-class standards). We may hope that summer 1995 might be the first for several decades without scorch marks on the lawns during dry weather.

On the top floor of Essex Building, the bedroom of Essex 8 was sub-divided, and a new doorway cut through the wall to the living room of Cloister 4. This provides a bedroom for Cloister 4, which already has its own kitchen and bathroom, making it an ideal resident Fellow's set in one of our historic buildings. The panelling (ca 1760) in Cloister 4 is amongst the finest in College, and special care was taken in cutting the new door into the panelling such that it is almost invisible when closed.

The large 6-bed ward in the Sick Bay of Cripps Court (1974) had never been used for that many patients. During the Long Vacation 1994, it was divided into one single-bed and one two-bed ward which can if necessary be used as isolation wards.

Set S4 in Docket Building was sub-divided to form two Fellow's rooms. We are grateful to Dr Cebon for relinquishing the part of the set that he no longer required.

The Squash Courts in Lyon Court received their first major overhaul: the floors were repaired and resanded, and the walls were patched and repainted. In the Fitzpatrick

Hall, the lobby area receives such intensive use that we have been forced to relay part of the former carpet floor as ceramic tiles.

All water tanks at the College's main site have been drained down, cleaned out, fitted with lids, and chlorinated in accordance with the latest water safety regulations.

The College's fire detection and alarm system has been extended to Essex Building.

At the Boathouse, the shower room floors have been made slip-proof, and the workshop has had a new extract ventilation system fitted to meet the safety requirements of working with varnishes. Most of the Boathouse has been redecorated.

At 77 Panton Street, the basement rooms have been stripped out, damp-proofed, and a new kitchen reinstated, followed by redecoration of the whole house.

ROBIN WALKER

Maintenance

The Maintenance Department consists of a full-time staff of 10, plus 2 part-time staff, with most of the building trades - plumbers, carpenters, painters, plasterers, electricians - catered for in this number. The Department is responsible for the upkeep of the buildings in the grounds of the College plus all outside properties, including the Boathouse and buildings at the Sportsground.

Work carried out by us is varied, ranging from the changing of a light bulb, changing tap washers and cutting spare keys, to the replacing of heating systems in rooms or redecorating staircases. Refurbishment of rooms which involves all trades working together is also undertaken, this is done mainly in the summer vacation to allow enough time to carry out the work.

With the introduction of conferences into College life the role of the Maintenance Department has changed. Vacations used to be a time when rooms were vacant for long periods, and redecoration and preventative maintenance work could be carried out. Owing to the time factor, most of the redecoration of the buildings used for the conferences, Cripps, Fisher and Erasmus, is now done by contractors, under the watchful eye of the Clerk of Works.

Since the introduction of the new style maintenance requisition forms in 1990 over 21,400 jobs have been carried out by the Department. These requests are mainly for minor repairs and heating problems, and major work such as refurbishment and decorations carried out in vacations are not included in the total number of jobs. Any major works such as the library alterations, and the work



Coping with the Drains in Walnut Tree Court. Photo: Brian Callingham

now being carried out in Fisher Drive for the new railings, are overseen by the Clerk of Works. He is also responsible for overseeing other works that are being carried out by contractors at the outside properties.

Any emergencies outside normal working hours are dealt with by a call-out system. Three members of the Department are on call for a week at a time and can be called upon at any time of the day or night for 365 days of the year.

We hope, as a team, to be able to carry out all of the jobs presented to us as quickly and as cheerfully as possible - even the strange requests such as the removal of pigeons or starlings from behind gas fires, keys that need to be retrieved from various holes and drains, and, of course, the occasional student or conference guest locked in a bathroom or out of their bedroom. Every day brings a different problem or emergency to deal with and we hope to be able to carry on coping with these just as efficiently in the future.

ALAN SEWELL, DEPUTY CLERK OF WORKS

The Library

Librarian: Dr Callingham

Assistant Librarian: Mrs C.D. Sargent

Over the past year there have been several important events and developments in the Library, but none more important than the formal opening of the reconstructed War Memorial Library by Lady Armitage on 23rd April, 1994. This event marked the culmination of an enterprise of great significance for the College, marking a commitment to ensuring that the College's War Memorial remains at the heart of learning and scholarship in the College over the years to come. The occasion was an opportunity for reflection as well as for satisfaction - satisfaction for a job well done, but concern too for the future where books will be challenged by other media providing information. Not only must we consider the 'books on CD' revolution but also the rise of interactive computer-aided teaching. What should the Library be planning? Is the Library the proper place for terminals?

With an eye to the future, the first terminal has appeared in the Library. The catalogues are available to all from this terminal as they are to anyone with access to the Internet. From a small start plans are underway to install a system that will control all the book borrowing, returns, and fines, which are still, unfortunately, a steady source of income. Books are already bought by computer. It is also hoped that such a system will help to reduce the number of books either secretly borrowed and not returned until after the examinations or actually stolen. During the Long Vacation, the staff laboured long and hard to add bar codes to over 25,000 volumes in readiness.

A significant milestone was also passed with the completion of the catalogue, by Clare Sargent and Susan Cook, of the uniquely distinguished Cohen Collection of South American modern literature. This catalogue is now published and is also available through Queens' College on the computer system. The collection is housed securely at the first floor landing of the Library where it can be consulted by appointment. The sound archive that accompanies the written material, which is of enormous importance since it contains, among others, recordings made by the actual authors and poets, will require much skilled attention before it can complement the written word.



*Lady Armitage opening the reconstructed War Memorial Library.
Photo: Jonathan Holmes*

With the departure of Warren Boutcher to his new post in London, the Old and War Memorial Libraries are back under one roof, so to speak. As temporary Keeper of the Old Library, I have been most fortunate to be able to call on Clare Sargent's scholarship and expertise. Without her, the research that is now such a prominent aspect of the life of the Old Library and the service that it provides for scholars from around the world would have been impossible. Much has been achieved, and the activity in the Old Library has increased dramatically as a result of the enthusiasm that all visitors sense when they come on a matter of research or to visit one or more of the several exhibitions and displays that have been mounted over the year. Publications about and from the Old Library appear at frequent intervals. A notable example is an illustrated article about the stained glass of the Old Library by Hilary Wayment.

The work of the Old Library has been immensely boosted by the award of a grant of £6,000 from the National Manuscripts Conservation Trust for conservation of Western medieval manuscripts. Our holdings include four extremely rare twelfth century bindings. Work on conservation continues with the Cambridge Colleges Consortium and a project is underway to repair the entire printed books collection. Thanks are due to Susan Cook, Ray Day and Helen Lewis who have worked very hard to ensure a successful outcome. The Provenance Project is nearing the end of phase one and our thoughts are turning to incorporating this on to the computer. Sharon Priestley's work is much appreciated. A pamphlet on the history of the Library has been produced and is available from the Library for £2, inc. p&p.

Clare Sargent was elected to the Bibliographical Society and became Secretary to the National Historic Libraries Forum. In addition, she is also a committee member of the Library Association's Rare Books Group. Both these last posts involve assigning money from the National Lottery as well as organising conferences and seminars on the curation and study of rare books and manuscripts.

Special thanks are due to two undergraduate societies, the Economics and Medical Societies, who between them negotiated the donation of about £1,500 worth of books for the War Memorial Library, and also to the family and friends of Dr Paul Davies who arranged for his collection of modern text books on chemistry and physics to be shipped from California to be donated to the Library.

Donations were also received from the President, Professor Holloway, Dr Hughes, Dr Callingham, Dr Diggle, Professor Tiley, Professor Stein, Professor Weber, Mr Bridge, Mr Reynolds, Dr Pinch, Dr Watts, V. Thaku, R. Robinson, R. Tingle, S. Dye, J. Wiseman, C. Beckingham, J. Gibson, P. Happé, S. Wright, A. Nelson, P. Stevenson, the Fellows' Book Club, BUANC and Racounteur publishers.

Finally, our thanks are due to our loyal staff: Cristina Banfi, Kaushik Bose, Susan Cook, Susan Darking, Ray Day, Jonathan Khang, Helen Lewis, Fiona MacPherson, Li Qiang and Aparna Seghal.

BRIAN CALLINGHAM



Some First Years visiting the Old Library. Photo: Brian Callingham

The Provenance Project

Roger Ascham's copy of Dionysius Halicarnassus *On Thucydides historia*, 1540, has a note in his hand which states his admiration for the work.

John Donne and Richard Crashaw wrote their names but little else.

Hannah, Frances and Grace Crompton successively inherited a cheap 8th edn. of Thomas Brooks *Precious remedies against Satan's devices*, 1676, but Grace's note warns of its value to her - 'Steal not this book for fear of shame for herein is the owners name Grace Crompton her book 1708'.

An anonymous eighteenth century owner of Thomas Boston *Human nature in its fourfold state*, 1770, had more on his mind than divinity, '1 Night shirt, 2 Night caps, 6 Day shirts & Hankerchiefs, 4 Waistcoats, 6 Pockett Hankerchiefs, 7 Pair Stocking, 2 Pair Breeches, Coat.'

John Collins, *The sector of a quadrant*, 1659, carries the baffling inscription 'found in the house of a miser at East Looe Cornwall'.

And a long forgotten academic tension is preserved on the copy of Katherine Philips *Poems by the Matchless Orinda*, 1667 - 'This book I bought, H.J. [Henry James, President]; Did you by God, R.B. [Richard Bryan, Vice-President]'

whilst hidden in the gutter margin an almost illegible note 'Lau: Catelyn Cantab: Coll:Regin: Soc: prec. 13s Od.' the Chaplain's note on the price paid.

The study of provenance allows us to assess the size and contents of particular libraries, and to compare them with other collections of their time. It allows us to build up a picture of the pattern of book ownership through the centuries, and to see how those patterns change in terms of size, composition, language, subject or origin or following fashion. It also brings the books to life - inscribed in the margin of page 35 of *Discours des dissensions & confusions de la Papaute*, 1587: 'The fruit may wither, and leaves fall from the tree, But me from my love that shaall never be.'

The Provenance Project began in 1991 with a systematic survey of all books in the Old Library, recording ownership inscriptions, bookplates, armorial bindings and any other information that could enable us to reconstruct the past history of the library, and of the many collections of individuals that went to make it up. It has revealed the casual acquisition of a book from John Donne's library in the 1630s - bought for the text with no interest in its previous owner; the descent of books through families and attics until they arrive as a collection at Queens', with the disregarded women's books caught up in the bundle; the deliberate gift of books with elaborate donation labels fixed to the front boards to proclaim the honour done both to Queens' and the donor by the books presence on the lecterns; and the only known ownership inscription dating from the early sixteenth century - 'The Quenys Colleg in Cambridg' inscribed on the back of the title page of Volume 3 of Erasmus' *Epistles*, 1516. The next stage of the Project is to add the records to the international database *Private Libraries in Renaissance England*.

CLARE SARGENT

The Chapel

As reported elsewhere, the Dean of Chapel, Canon Brian Hebblethwaite, resigned as from the end of September. The Chaplain, Dr Holmes, was elected to the Deanship in his place. There have been some changes in the timing of services - the Sunday morning College Communion is now at 9.15 a.m. and Sunday Evensong at 5.45 p.m. ASB Rite 'A' is used for most communion services and ASB services for daily Morning and Evening Prayer, Monday to Friday. The experiment of a 'College Corporate Communion' has been continued - on Ash Wednesday, Ascension Day, and in place of Evensong on one Sunday in the Michaelmas Term. The Informal Communion services remain quite popular and Wednesday evening full Choral Evensongs continue to impress.

Visiting preachers during the year have included: Professor Nicholas Lash, Norris-Hulse Professor of Divinity; the Revd David Galilee, Vicar of St Mildred's, Addiscombe; the Revd Canon Donald Gray, Canon of Westminster Abbey and Speaker's Chaplain; the Ven. Jeffrey Watson, Archdeacon of Ely; the Revd Canon Graham Kings, Henry Martyn Lecturer in Missiology in the Federation of Cambridge Theological Colleges; the Revd Ralph Godsall (1967), Vicar of St Stephen's, Westminster; the Revd Derek Kidner, formerly Warden of Tyndale House; the Revd Canon Eric Jarvis (1943), formerly Rector of St Olave's, Hart Street, London; the Rt Revd Philip Ridsdale, formerly Bishop of Boga-Zaire; the Revd Paul Delight, Rector, the Stodden Churches, Huntingdon; and the Revd Michael Lloyd, until recently Chaplain of Christ's College.

The preachers at the Commemoration of Benefactors services in May and at the Visit of the Queens' College Club in June were the Revd Bryan Vernon (1969), Chairman of the Newcastle Mental Health Trust, and the Revd Canon Stephen Pedley (1960), Canon Residentiary of Durham Cathedral. On this occasion two new collection bags, presented to the Chapel by the 1934 year to mark their diamond jubilee, were used for the first time.

Canon Hebblethwaite gave his farewell address at the End of Year Eucharist on 5 June. The chapel congregation presented him and his wife with a crystal decanter and glasses at a Christian Council garden party in the Grove in May Week.

Dr Holmes hosted the traditional Dean's Freshers Party for first years the day after they arrived, using his predecessor's punch recipe, and then preached at a 'Freshers' Service' which replaced Evensong on the following Sunday. The President continues to preach termly at Sunday Evensong and boxes and coxes with Dr Holmes on Sunday mornings. We have been fortunate to have help this year from ordinands at Ridley Hall. One of these, Mr Alan Dupuy, was able to set up a Christian group at Owlstone Croft early in the year. He also preached at the Informal Service in February, organised by a committee of students which he chaired, and at a Sunday morning Communion service in May. This academic year Mr Gregor Cuff of Ridley has been with us.

The President preached at the Choral Matins and Act of Remembrance service on Remembrance Sunday. The Advent Carol Service was packed as usual and the Music and Readings for Passiontide (a service of Passiontide hymns interspersed with appropriate choir anthems, poems, and readings from the Gospels) was as successful as ever. The Dean of Chapel preached at the annual Staff Carol Concert. Eight infants were baptised in Chapel during the year and there were six weddings. Dr Holmes also travelled to France to officiate at the wedding of Kristian Schmidt (1992) and Mlle Coralie Renner (confirmed in the College Chapel in 1993) in the parish church of Martigues in Provence. The Chapel was full for a memorial service for Dr Norman Hughes at which Dr Ian Harding (1982) gave the address.

The standard of singing by the Chapel Choir continues extremely high under the direction of the Senior Organ Scholar, Ralph Woodward, who has stayed on for a fourth year to read for the Mus.B. degree. Edward Barbieri has arrived as Junior Organ Scholar. An account of the choir's activities appears elsewhere in the *Record*. In April Ralph Woodward recorded three organ pieces on the Chapel organ, part of a series being made on the great organs in the University and the City. The first volume of this series, entitled 'The Organs of Cambridge', recorded by OxRecs Digital, which includes the Queens' Organ (as well as our former organist Andrew Linn playing the Emmanuel College organ), is now available on CD and cassette.

The organ survived over a month without heating when a new boiler was installed in the Chapel over September and October. The choir and congregation became quite used to negotiating the huge scaffolding towers in the ante-chapel and also survived the cold. The Chapel has become a popular venue for medium-scale choral or chamber concerts, especially during the Long Vacation. It was also put to good use by a large conference organised by the C.S. Lewis Foundation in July.

Martin Rich succeeded Emma Halliwell as Chapel Clerk at Easter and Tom Nye took over from Howard Stone as Sacristan. The Ryle Reading Prize was awarded to Ralph Woodward. Some attempts have been made to start up a Chapel/Christian Council newsletter prepared by Roz Wyatt-Millington - two issues have appeared to date. Collections were taken at the Christian Council garden party in May Week and at a special formal hall in November to raise money for the support of Tim Green (1979) and his family working with 'Interserve' in Pakistan and an Old Member was kind enough to send a substantial donation to assist with this work. The Greens visited Queens' in June while on furlough.

JONATHAN HOLMES

The Faculties in the 90s

Centre of International Studies

At the end of the 1970s Sir Harry Hinsley, the Master of St John's College, and other interested academics in Cambridge founded the University's Centre of International Studies. Housed in the ultra-modern Faculty of History, the Centre's primary role is to run a one-year Master of Philosophy (MPhil) course in International Relations. Candidates come from all over the world and spend the first half of the year attending lectures and seminars on International Law, the theory of International Relations, Economics, Strategy and the History of the International System. They also have the opportunity to visit ministries and universities in Brussels and in another European capital, usually either Moscow or Prague. From April to August candidates concentrate on writing a 25,000 word dissertation on a particular aspect of International Relations.

Some candidates join the course immediately after completing their undergraduate degrees, but many have already spent a number of years in diplomacy, banking, politics or the armed forces and return subsequently to these professions. Both of the British armed forces' most advanced colleges, the Royal College of Defence Studies and the Military University at Shrivenham, are now commanded by graduates of the course. Other graduates have gone on to run the main centre for training African diplomats in Cameroun, to oversee the integration of the Rhodesian guerrillas into the armed forces after the establishment of the state of Zimbabwe, and to join the observers of the elections in Nicaragua and Mozambique. Currently both the commander of one of the contingents of the UN forces operating in Bosnia and the chief spokesman for the Bosnian Serbs are former members of the Centre.

The dangers involved in some of these activities were underlined by the assassination of a recent graduate of the course, Gamini Dissanayake in the autumn of 1994. Gamini was slightly unusual as he had already been a government minister in Sri Lanka for many years before coming to the Centre. Subsequently he became leader of the opposition party in the presidential elections and it was while he was campaigning that he was blown up by a suicide bomber. Other politicians connected with the Centre have also been attacked. Kim Dae Jung, the leader of the Korean opposition party spent six months with the Centre in 1993. While the military were in power in Korea, Dr Kim had been repeatedly threatened and imprisoned. On one occasion he had been kidnapped in Japan by the Korean

Intelligence Services and abducted to Korea. Only United States pressure prevented his assassination.

The MPhil course tries to blend the practical experience of the mature candidates with more theoretical approaches to International Relations. The focus of research has changed since the end of the Cold War with some subjects, such as nuclear deterrence and arms control negotiations between the Super Powers, becoming mainly of historical interest, while others, such as the proliferation of nuclear and conventional weapons, UN peace keeping, and European integration, have become more prominent.

Numbers on the course have steadily expanded over the years from 20 in the early 1980s to around 80 today. A particularly welcome recent development has been the arrival of candidates from the former Eastern bloc. One MPhil candidate now at Queens' has been deeply involved with the treatment of children in his home country, Belorussia, who are suffering from the aftermath of the nuclear disaster at Chernobyl. Candidates have now come from every major country and from many of the minor ones such as the Maldives and Fiji. As Professor Hinsley intended, the course has itself become a microcosm of the International System.

Dr Philip Towle, a Fellow of Queens', is Director of the Centre this year, and there are currently 14 students at Queens' studying for the MPhil in International Relations.

PHILIP TOWLE

The Faculty of Mathematics

Cambridge has always been famous for its mathematics and there is little doubt that it continues as the leading mathematical centre in the United Kingdom, and one of the leading centres in the world. Part of the distinction of the Faculty of Mathematics lies in its breadth of interest. Not only does it include amongst its members three Fields Medallists (i.e. mathematical Nobel Prizewinners), and Professor Stephen Hawking, holder of the Lucasian Chair, but specialists in a wide range of mathematical applications, including communication networks, fluid and solid mechanics and financial models.

One of the challenges facing the Faculty has been to maintain recruitment of the best school mathematicians in the face of changes in the school curriculum, in the typical combination of subjects offered by A-level candidates, and with the general decline in popularity of mathematics and the physical sciences as degree choices. To this end, there has recently been a major reform of the Mathematical Tripos. The first year of students taking the 'new' Tripos arrived in October 1991 and graduated last June. One of the goals of the reform is to make the Mathematical Tripos accessible to students without two-subject mathematics A-level. There was a wide perception that the number of schools offering two-subject mathematics was diminishing and that, by insisting on two-subject mathematics as an entrance requirement, Cambridge was excluding a substantial number of mathematically talented potential applicants. This aspect of the reform has, of course, required the insertion of new material in the first year, and a consequent shift of subjects throughout the second and third years. At the same time there has been a change of style. The emphasis, particularly in the first two years is on a unified treatment of mathematics, without the traditional

formal divide between pure and applied. This reflects recent changes in the subject at all levels. New areas of application have opened up for parts of mathematics that were formerly classified as 'pure', whilst in other areas, such as chaotic dynamical systems, discoveries in an applied context have in turn stimulated progress in the underlying abstract theory.

One of the most radical changes in the new Tripos is the splitting of the third year into two options. One, the (a) option, is designed for those students for whom the Cambridge undergraduate course is the last stage in their mathematical career. The aim is to retain the interest and enthusiasm of such students, the majority of whom are extremely talented mathematicians. Courses in the (a) option are designed to teach students about interesting areas of mathematics and its applications, without in-depth treatment of technical details. Courses currently include such topics as 'Algorithms and Networks', 'Stochastic Financial Models', 'Symmetries and Groups in Physics' and 'Theoretical Geophysics'. The other, (b), option is aimed at students who will begin careers as professional mathematicians after graduating, either inside or outside academia. Here the emphasis is more on rigour and on gaining experience of the techniques that allow progress at the leading edge of mathematics and its applications.

One further change to the course may still be in the pipeline. There has been a national trend towards the introduction of four-year degree courses in Mathematics, at the end of which students are awarded the M.Math degree. This reflects a similar trend in engineering and physics, with other physical sciences to follow. Again the reasoning has been that changes in the school curriculum, combined with the technical changes in these fields, have made it impossible to achieve in a three-year course the levels required of future professionals. Cambridge has always, in a sense, had a four-year course, if one includes Part III, which at present is taken after graduating as a one-year preparation for research. It is now becoming recognised in Cambridge that there may be some advantage in fitting into the pattern provided by other universities and it is likely that Part III will be renamed as an M.Math course in the near future.

Alongside these developments in the teaching activity of the Faculty there have also been other major changes in Cambridge mathematics. One of the most important has been the founding of the Isaac Newton Institute as a national institute for the mathematical sciences. The institute provides facilities and organisational infrastructure for research programmes of six months duration, which attract participants from all over the world. The most widely publicised such programme so far has been that on 'L-functions and arithmetic' in 1993, at which the proof of Fermat's last theorem was announced. But other programmes so far have included 'dynamo theory', 'epidemic models' and 'financial mathematics'. These programmes are organised independently of the Faculty of Mathematics, but Faculty members often play a leading role.

The Isaac Newton Institute is built on a green field site at Clarkson Road, off Grange Road. At present the building is surrounded by open space, but there are plans for a new Cambridge Centre for Mathematical Sciences. Both Departments of Mathematics have outgrown their current buildings, which were originally warehouses for the Old University Press. Constraints on physical space now severely limit the activities of both Departments, at a time when changes in national higher education and research funding are tending to concentrate manpower in the

strongest Departments, such as those in Cambridge. Plans have therefore been drawn up to move both Departments to the Clarkson Road site. There is no doubt that the move would strengthen links between the two Departments, allowing, for example, their libraries to be united into a single mathematical sciences library. The concentration of mathematical expertise on the Clarkson Road site would be unequalled in the world. Around £30 million is required to finance the new buildings and at the same time to secure the long-term future of the Isaac Newton Institute. Raising this money is a substantial task and no-one in either of the Departments expects to have to pack up their belongings before the end of the decade. But, if the move can be accomplished, there is every prospect of Cambridge building further on its mathematical strength in the years to come.

PETER HAYNES

The Historical Record

The Carmelite Roundels

The five windows in the North side of Queens' Old Library are filled with a series of ten roundels surrounded by stained glass quarries. The roundels are each c.22cm in diameter, painted and stained with a pearly border 2cm wide encircling a foliated background against which is set the head in full or three-quarter view of a young or middle-aged friar, with just enough of his shoulders to reveal the thick folds of his white mantle and hood. Each wears a plain straight-sided cap, originally black. This group of ten friars at Queens' is probably the largest coherent group of English medieval roundels extant.

The roundel closest in composition to those from Queens' is a mid-fifteenth century bust of St Edmund from Hardwicke Hall, Bury St Edmund's, now in the Victoria & Albert Museum. The glass from both sites is almost certainly from a Cambridge workshop, with a Norwich influence discernible in some of the facial features. The same stylisation is to be seen in the faces of two donors in the East Window at East Harling, Norfolk.

The quarries which serve as a background are almost all of a single pattern, representing a complicated stylised flower. The rare exceptions include two examples of the standard quarry used in King's College Chapel and can be dated between 1470 and 1500. They are in their original positions in relation to the roundels, and thus give a clear date for the entire composition. But Queens' is not the original home of the roundels.

At the founding of the College in 1448 the ground to the north of Old Court was occupied by the Carmelite Priory, or White Friars. The Priory site is known to have contained a hall, dormitory, cloister, church, chapter-house and bell-tower. The Friars taught and studied within the University from c.1288 originally based in Chesterton, and then Newnham, before moving to the site next to the river.

On 20th April 1513 a fire caused such damage to the Convent buildings that rebuilding was still underway in 1536 when the general dissolution of the monasteries began. On 12th February 1537 the few remaining friars sold the party wall on the south side of their lands to Queens'. A few days later the College began to open up windows in its northern walls - which were the Chapel, Library and present-day Munro Room. The next year, on 8th August



One of the Roundels in the Old Library.

Photo: Dr Hilary Wayment

1538, the King decreed the suppression of mendicant orders. The Carmelites surrendered their property to the President and Fellows of Queens'. However, on the 17th August the King himself laid hands on the Priory. Nevertheless, the Bursar of Queens' proceeded to pay two workmen 8d for dismantling some glass windows. Again in January 1539 he disbursed 4s for similar work, as well as removing ironwork. On 5th October 1540 two men were paid for bringing dismantled glass and iron from the Priory into the College. Although the Bursar had already taken a large quantity of building materials from the site, it was not until 1541 that the King's officers sold the material to the College for £20. The site itself was given by the King to John Eyre of Bury, who sold it to Queens' in 1544. The northern part, including the friars garden, was purchased from Queens' by King's College in 1551.

The ten roundels now in the Library are unlikely to have come from the Carmelites' church, since Queens' Bursar's accounts clearly separate the church glass from other fittings. It is likely, however, that they came from the cloister, placed there to inspire the young student friars. There is no way of knowing who they represent: fragments of lettering can no longer be assigned to individual roundels, or indeed reassembled to form donor's names, with the single exception of Magister Thomas Wett or Wetton, who remains unidentified.

A detailed study of the glass has recently been completed by Dr Hilary Wayment of King's College and published by the Cambridge Antiquarian Society.

CLARE SARGENT

Thomas Fyshe Palmer, 1747-1802

"I was thrust into a cabin in the midst of that infernal brothel of which I had so often expressed my abhorrence. The language of Newgate was virtue and decency compared to what I was always doomed to hear. My neighbours were divided from me by only a wooden partition, the women were almost perpetually drunk, and as perpetually engaged in clamours, brawls, and fighting.

The cabin was not six feet square: it was besides so close and hot under the torrid zone, that we could not bear the weight of our clothes, and were obliged to take it by turns to enjoy the privilege of sitting by the door. With perpetual thirst we only had to drink putrid water. The bed in the cabin was only two feet wide, in which it was meant that we two bulky men should sleep together. We were denied the common privilege of the worst of the felons, to breathe an hour in the fresh air upon the deck. I was refused clean linen.

*The heat and the confinement was not all that we had to suffer. The ship was so old and crazy, that every wave of the sea dashed the water through its side, and it ran onto my bed... Had I not been under the protection of a gracious Providence, this treatment must have killed me."*¹

As a description of conditions on board a transport to Australia in the 1790s, this may seem to be a not strikingly ferocious example, but when it is recalled that a few months before the writer was the Senior Fellow of Queens', perhaps his mental fortitude, expressed in his unswerving faith, is the more remarkable.

Thomas Fyshe Palmer, came from a privileged background. He was born at Ickwell near Sandy in Bedfordshire, in 1747². He was educated privately in Ely, then Eton, before entering Queens' in 1765. He graduated B.A. in 1769, M.A. in 1772 and B.D. in 1781. That year he was elected a Fellow of Queens' and officiated as Curate of Leatherhead. Seeds of dissatisfaction with the teachings of the Church of England germinated rapidly within him. In 1783 he embraced Unitarianism and for the next ten years preached that faith in Dundee and other Scottish towns, perhaps surprisingly retaining his Fellowship. In the eighteenth century it had become increasingly common for Fellows to be non-resident. He published a series of tracts in *The Theological Repository* under the pseudonym Anglo-Scotus. He became distinguished for his enthusiasm for political reform: but unfortunately at a time when such zeal was becoming dangerous in the eyes of the Government which was alarmed by the bloody progress of the French Revolution. Radical groups sprang up in many cities, and Palmer became identified with a faction in Dundee, the Friends of Liberty. When in 1793, one of this group, a weaver called George Mealmaker, published an *Address to the People*, the authorities moved rapidly and charged Palmer with sedition.

He was tried at Perth on 12 September 1793. It is clear from the transcript of the trial that he was going to be found guilty whatever was said in his defence. He stated that when asked by the Friends for advice, he cautioned against publication, but they insisted, and on reading the manuscript he had advised on the alteration of one word before publication. The contents of the Address were not particularly strong; the introduction serves as an example: *"Friends and fellow citizens; That portion of liberty you once enjoyed is fast setting we fear, in the darkness of despotism and tyranny! Too soon, perhaps, you who were the world's envy, as possessed of some portion of liberty,*



The 'Scottish Martyrs'. Wood cut on linen by an unknown artist.

will be sunk in the depth of slavery and misery, if you prevent it not by your well-timed efforts... Is not the executive branch seizing new and unwarranted powers? Has not the House of Commons (your only security from the evils of tyranny and aristocracy) joined the coalition against you? Is the election of its members either fair, free or frequent? Is not its independence gone, while it is made up of pensioners and placemen?"

Palmer was duly found guilty of "causing the said address to be printed, and guilty of distributing, and causing to be distributed, the said inflammatory writing." He was sentenced to be transported beyond the seas for seven years. The conviction of Palmer came soon after that of Thomas Muir for lending out radical tracts at a similar show trial. The verdicts raised much indignation among the Whigs. The Earls Lauderdale and Stanhope in the Lords, and Fox and Sheridan in the Commons, tried throughout February and March 1794 to obtain a revision of sentence, but to no avail.

Palmer was held for nearly three months in Perth Tolbooth then taken to the hulk *Stanislaus* at Woolwich where he was placed in irons and forced to labour with convicted felons.

In the Conclusion Book of Queens' College, dated 16 January 1794, we read, written in the hand of the President, Isaac Milner:

"Agreed and ordered, that the Revd Thomas Fyshe Palmer, Fellow of the College, be expelled the College on account of this seditious Conduct. Everyone of the underwritten, viz the Master and twelve Fellows, concur in this sentence of Expulsion, and grounded their Judgement upon the Statutes of the College and the Evidence received by them on the Subject."

Three Fellows wanted to defer the decision, one Fellow declined to sign outright.

On 11 February 1794, Palmer and Muir, together with William Skirving and Maurice Margarot, two more Scottish victims of the Government's panic, were placed on the transport *Surprize*, with convicts bound for Botany Bay. The transport left Portsmouth at the end of April. An interesting exchange took place at this point. It will be recalled that Palmer was sentenced to transportation, that is banishment, and not to servitude. He understood that unless he recompensed the Government for the expenses incurred for his passage and maintenance, then on arrival in Australia

servitude might additionally be imposed. The political prisoners therefore paid to Captain Campbell the sum of £40 (about equivalent to £1600 in 1995 prices) for cabins and board.

The somewhat more comfortable arrangements of the four came to an abrupt end a month into the voyage, when Captain Campbell claimed to have discovered a plot, led by Palmer and Skirving, to excite a mutiny, to murder himself and the principal officers and afterwards to carry the ship to France or America. Palmer himself, together with Skirving, was detained in the conditions of close confinement described at the beginning of this article. The voyage continued, via Rio de Janeiro on 2 July, until arrival at Port Jackson (Sydney) on 25 October 1794. Palmer and Skirving had to endure their fate for the duration, that is for nearly five months.

During his seven years of exile in Sydney, Palmer was free from the usual convict restraint and engaged in various enterprises to supplement his private means. Early in his exile, he wrote to a friend, "*The Soil is capital; the climate delicious. I will take upon me to say that it will soon be a region of plenty, and wants only virtue and liberty to be another America.*"³ Apart from a farm which in fact proved unproductive, he entered into a partnership with John Boston and James Ellis, two young free settlers who had also travelled in the *Surprize*; the latter was from Dundee and had been Palmer's companion and protégé for several years. This partnership, Boston and Co., was one of the pioneer trading concerns in Australia. By August 1797, with help from an encyclopaedia brought from England by Palmer, they built a small craft for the Norfolk Island trade. After this ship had been lost at sea, they built a larger 30 ton vessel, the *Martha*, which reached as far as the sealing grounds of the Bass Strait.

When his sentence expired Palmer with Boston and Ellis bought a decrepit old Spanish vessel, *El Plumier*, in which they set sail for England in January 1801. After many troubles in the South Pacific due to the need for repairs and shortage of provisions, the ship, almost sinking, reached the Spanish island of Guguan, one of the Ladrone Islands, about 450 miles north of Guam, where, since a state of war existed between Britain and Spain, the Governor detained them as prisoners. Eventually Palmer was attacked by dysentery to which he succumbed on 2 June 1802. He was buried on the seashore: because of his religious beliefs, he was refused a Christian burial and laid 'among pirates'. There his body remained until May 1804, when the American ship *Mary* called at the island. Her Master, Captain Balch, knowing something of Palmer's history, obtained permission from the Spanish governor to remove his remains. They were taken to Boston and a tablet was placed over his tomb in one of the churches of the city.

There is also a memorial to Palmer and the other Scottish Martyrs, as they became known, however, in Edinburgh. In 1844 the Friends of Parliamentary Reform in England and Scotland, erected a great obelisk in the Carlton Hill burial-ground at the end of Princes Street by Waterloo Place, on which is recorded the names of the four Martyrs, and part of a speech of William Skirving at his trial; "*I know that what has been done these two days will be re-judged.*"

By 1832, less than forty years after the events for which Palmer and his companions paid such a high price, the Reform Act was passed. He is remembered in Australia as a pioneer in trade, manufacture and shipbuilding; he was cultured, humane and steadfast in his faith; he is

remembered as one who cheerfully suffered exile for opinions long since commonplace; his fate was sealed because he held ideas ahead of his time.

1. *A Narrative of the Sufferings of T F Palmer and W Skirving, during a voyage to New South Wales on board the Surprize Transport*, Thomas Fyshe Palmer, 2nd Ed 1797, Cambridge for J Deighton and J Nicholson.

2. The most useful concise notes on the life of Palmer are in the DNB and the *Australian Dictionary of Biography*.

3. Letter from TFP to Rev J Joyce, 15 December 1794, printed in the *Morning Chronicle*, 27 July 1795.

Author's note. My interest in Palmer was stimulated by a brief account in *The Fatal Shore*, Robert Hughes, Collins, 1987, a history of the transportation of convicts to Australia 1787-1868. Research in Cambridge University Library was supplemented by information sent from Australia by Professor Iain Wright, Life Fellow of Queens*, to whom thanks are recorded.

RODERICK A SMITH



The base of the memorial obelisk on Carlton Hill, Edinburgh.
Photo: Roderick Smith.

The Dean's Accounts Book

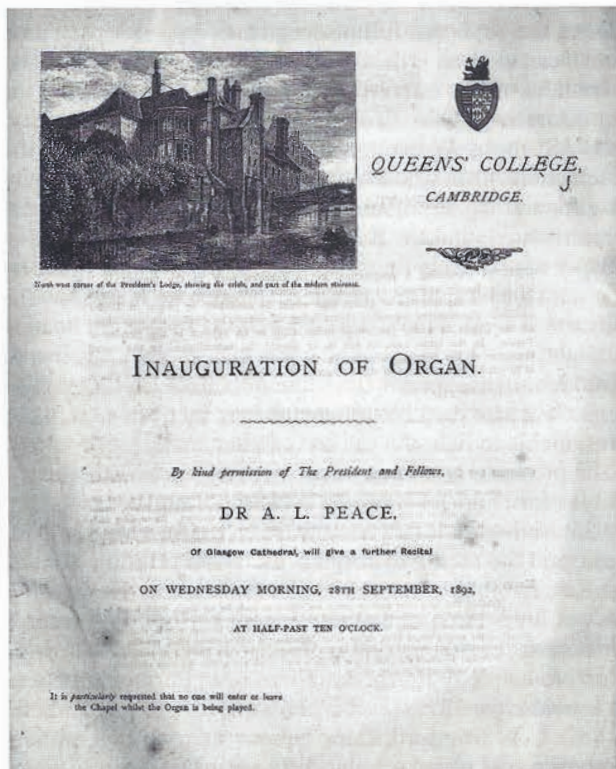
Among the cupboard full of documents and files passed on from Dean to Dean is the Accounts Book from 1854 to 1940. It contains much interesting historical information on the administration of the Chapel and the Choir. The Dean in 1854, Richard Watson, starts the Book by listing the benefactions from whose revenue the Chapel was financed - all gifts and legacies from the seventeenth century. From these invested sums the Bursar paid the Dean 'by check' (sic) £21 per annum (this figure appears in the accounts year by year until the Chapel received a £2 increase in 1920/21). The Bursar was immediately repaid 5 guineas for gas for heating and lighting. This figure similarly remained unchanged until it suddenly disappears from the accounts in 1909. The Bursar was also paid £4 'for attendance' by College servants (presumably to light the gas and candles, etc).

The presence of a choir is revealed by occasional items - "Bibles for chorister boys: 5s" (1854); "Lumley bookseller for 25 Anthem books: £1 11s 3d" (1856); "Mr Ling for music and for tuning the organ: £2 3s 9d" (1860); "Rattee and Kett for choristers desks: £9" (1862); etc. However, it was not until 1871/72 that the Accounts Book first records payment to choristers and a College vote of '£20 for the Choir' to help pay for them. There is an intriguing item in the accounts for 1871/72: - "Webb's bill for printing anthem: 4s 6d". C.V. Stanford, later famous as a church anthem composer, was organ scholar that year. The Dean in 1876, Dr Arthur Wright, set out the 'Rules for Choristers' to be

signed by a parent or guardian. It is marked "Not recommended to be made public". Choristers were not allowed to go to the rooms of members of the University, to walk with them or correspond with them, to receive presents from them or associate with them in any way. They were forbidden to loiter in the College and its precincts, to sing in other choirs or take part in concerts without permission, or move to another choir without a certificate of good conduct.

There were Inter-College choristers' football and cricket leagues and the accounts are peppered after 1871 with items such as:- "cricket hats for choristers: £1 2s 0d, ditto balls: 15s" (1873); "football - Hayward 10s 6d" (1888); "Choir boys cricket net: 12s" (1908); "Gamage repairing boys' cricket bats and new cricket balls and gloves: 30s" (1919); "two stumps: 2s 4d" (1920); "Sayle football shirts: £2 19s 6d" (1934); etc. There are regular payments for music, hymn and anthem books, psalters, for the laundering and occasional repair of the boys' surplices (they got new ones in 1902), book straps for the choristers' books, advertising in the *Cambridge Daily News* for probationers. They were sometimes paid extra for attending practices in the Long Vacation, but, when one of the Fellows, John Clark, died in the summer of 1900, the St Botolph's choir were paid for singing at his funeral. From 1872 to 1891 an organ blower was paid 15s a term.

The choristers were all entitled to a straw hat each year - this item appears regularly in the accounts from 1885. The Dean from 1907-40, C.T. Wood, was a very keen scout and formed a choristers' scout-troup. He started to divert the hat money. 1914: "A.W. Smith, choristers hats 12s 6d, balance of hat money for Choristers' Camp £1 4s 6d". 1917: "To Choristers; Scout Troup Camp (in lieu of part hat money) £1 11s 0d, choristers, by bonus in lieu of remainder of hat money 11s 0d". 1918: "To choristers' summer camp (railway fares) in lieu of straw hats £4 4s 0d". 1926: "Grant for choristers' camp (hat money) £4 4s 0d". Thereafter the accounts merely record an annual grant towards the camp!



The programme for the inauguration of the organ in 1892.

Most of the entries in the book are for mundane items - cleaning, candles, coke, hymn and prayer books, printing, communion wine, minor repairs, the purchase of small items such as hassocks, cloths and matting, donations to almswomen and pensioners and poor relief, and later to various home and overseas missions and local charities - but occasionally less usual items are recorded. A great deal of money had regularly to be spent on cleaning, repairing and tuning the organ. In 1860 curtains were provided for the organ chamber (8s 6d) and a new altar cloth was purchased for £23 10s 0d (a very large sum in those days). In 1863 the Bursar was given £10 from the Chapel's monies "towards cost of reredos". In 1875 a new fender and fire irons were bought and in 1883 new cushions, made by a Miss Lawrence (no doubt related to the Mrs Lawrence who made some cushions in 1859). In 1880 a "donation" was made of £1 "to rescuing Wood, an undergraduate, from drowning". The only undergraduate Wood in Queens' then was Sumner Colpoys Wood, later Rector of Stroxtun, Lincs. - "a keen antiquary and misogynist, popularly reported to have subsisted upon rice pudding, which an old woman deposited daily on his doorstep" (Venn). The building of the New Chapel in 1891 passes with barely a mention: "H.W. Lee - Licence for chapel: £1 1s 0d", "King's choirmen: £1" (they sang at the inaugural service), "Trinity Choir: £8 1s 0d". The bills for organ tuning and printing are much larger than usual that year, so the Chapel actually went into deficit. A copy of the programme for the inauguration of the organ by Dr A.L. Peace on 28 September 1892 (illustrated) has been left in the Book. 13 guineas were spent on a new piano from Leavis in 1907 (quite possibly the piano still used for choir practices), but the St Margaret Society contributed 4 guineas. The piano (along with the choristers' hair brush purchased in 1920) lived in the Old Chapel, which was presumably used for practices and perhaps as a vestry. The bread cutter was repaired in 1913 for the princely sum of 2s 6d. From 1920 Mrs Fitzpatrick and later Mrs Venn were occasionally paid for flowers.

Clearly services continued throughout the First World War, though there were few students about. The accounts carry on as normal - the choristers' cricket bats were repaired, their football jerseys bought, their surplices washed, and their camp rail fare paid. The organ and piano were tuned. Two new communion veils and a key for the organ engine were bought, but the Dean had difficulty getting the usual 'Altar Wine'. Mr Wood noted, however, the numbers in College:- "October 1917 - 11 men in residence, owing to War + 100 cadets in College"; "October 1918 - 30 men in residence, 14 being officers in khaki unfit for service, about 86 cadets also"; "January 1919 - 72 in residence and 30 naval officers"; "April 1919 - about 120 in residence"; "October 1919 - about 200 men in residence".

In 1940 it was decided to turn over day-to-day chapel expenses to the Bursar's Office. The balance in hand in the Dean's Account, £15 0s 2d, was duly handed over to the Chief Clerk, Mr Dungate, on 13 July 1940, the year in which C.T. Wood handed over the Deanship to H. St J. Hart.

JONATHAN HOLMES

Dreaming of being an Astronaut

Do you remember what you thought you wanted to become, when you were a child? When I said I wanted to be an astronaut, I was generally laughed at. I have had the good fortune actually to become what I dreamed of being, a

NASA astronaut. I have now flown three times on the Space Shuttle. My English father was a jet pilot in the RAF, and my mother is an American. The noise of jet aircraft flying over our house always excited me. When I was six, during a visit to a State Fair in Minneapolis we saw the charred and blackened Mercury capsule of John Glenn, the first US astronaut to orbit the earth. I gave up my first plan to be a train driver and decided to be an astronaut.

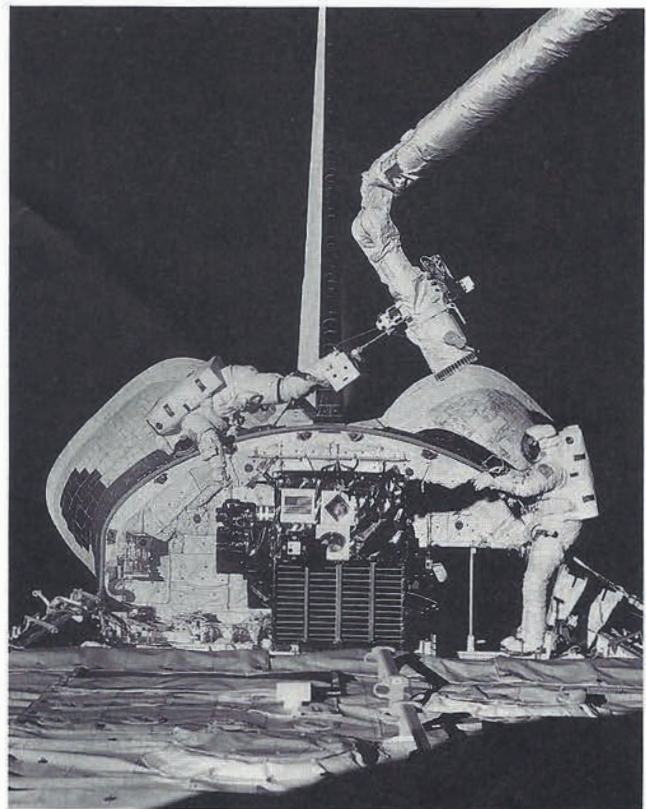
The first logical step seemed to be to apply to join the RAF as a pilot, having learned to glide with the CCF; but my dreams were dented when I found I was not able to meet the very strict eyesight requirements for pilots. But, in real life, the nature of astronauts had been redefined. Some would soon be flying on the Space Shuttle as scientists, no longer needing the flying experience required of military test pilots. At Queens' College, I followed my instinctive liking for physics. While working at the Cavendish Laboratory on my postgraduate research, and keeping only just ahead of my undergraduate supervisees, I spent all that I earned to gain a pilot's licence at Marshall's airport. This was in 1981, the year of the first Shuttle flight. I felt sure that a pilot's licence and my scuba diving experience and a doctorate in physics would make me a shoo-in at NASA. I had a little piece of paper mapping out my future, and it had me leaving for Mars in about 1994!

I was impatient, but Shuttle operations developed more slowly than originally envisaged. After finding a job with an aerospace company in Houston supporting the Space Shuttle Program, it took me a year to be hired directly by NASA, in an operations support job. Three astronaut selection attempts came and went, while I discovered my wife-to-be Rhonda. Marriage and my selection in 1987 were followed by two years of evaluation and training, until I was assigned to my first space flight, on Space Transportation System (STS) flight number 45.

My job was to be one of two NASA Mission Specialists responsible for the operation of the Atmospheric Laboratory for Applications and Science (ATLAS) payload on the Space Shuttle Atlantis. The complement of instruments flown consisted of eleven experiments from Europe, the USA, and Japan, designed to measure the concentration of ozone and other trace gasses in the atmosphere, as well as the total output of radiation from the sun, known as the Solar Constant. After a year's delay and nearly two years of additional training, I found myself in March 1992 going out to the launch pad in a silver coloured van at 4 a.m., with my six crew mates.

We were all quietly excited, including the four who had flown before. The view of Atlantis, lit up so brightly as we were driven out to the pad was special. Everybody else was driving away. Normal people consider proximity to a fuelled rocket, ready for launch, something they want to be well away from, and we were driving right up to it! High up on the two hundred foot level of the access tower, the electric hum of bright lights was mixed with the hissing of cryogenic fuel boiling off from the External Tank. While the commander and pilot were being strapped in, I walked around the tower, to see the waves of the Atlantic Ocean rolling soundlessly onto the deserted beach a mile away. It was a cool Florida morning twilight; warm orange blossom fragrance wafted up from groves nearby. Soon all this would be far behind us, assuming those imposing white boosters with 'Loaded' written on them did their job.

As the countdown picked up we wriggled in our suits and cinched down our straps as tightly as we could. Looking across the flight deck at Charlie Bolden, our commander, I



Dr Michael Foale and his colleague Bernard Harris, Jr, on 'Extra-Vehicular Activity', walking in space on the most recent Shuttle Mission. Photo: NASA

realised for the first time how similar the cabin was to any other large aeroplane cockpit, but now with nothing but deep blue sky showing ahead of us through the forward windows. It felt very familiar, and cheerful. Until that moment I had never seen the inside of a Shuttle cockpit in bright sunlight, only that of a low-lit simulator. The slight bumping of the main engines, far below us, could be felt as their hydraulic actuators performed control checks. Then a far away roar began as the main engines came up to full thrust, followed very abruptly by a sharp jolt in the back as the boosters lit. Very quickly the launch tower passed out of view as we rolled rapidly counter clockwise to line up with the coastline. That was alarming, because the simulator had not prepared me for the overshoot and correction we experienced. My job was to watch our velocity very closely and call out milestones that we would need to know if two or more engines failed. Another surprise was that the cabin was shaking so much from side to side that it was difficult to focus on the velocity tapes. However, after a private thought for the Challenger crew as we passed the seventy-two second mark, the ever increasing pressure on my chest eased abruptly, as, with a loud bang and roar, the boosters separated away from us, pouring flame over our windows.

At two minutes the sky was becoming a deep dark blue, and the sun was casting stark contrasts around the cabin. We lifted our visors and could talk without effort across the cabin, with only a quiet humming of the engines in the background, as the acceleration level subsided to only slightly more than one gravity. But this was not for long. After eight minutes we all fought to breathe under three gravities. Then the pressure on our chests ceased and suddenly our straps and checklists were floating away from their supports, as the engines shut down. The pilot and I could not restrain our yells of triumph, so that Charlie had to

admonish us rookies to control ourselves until the External Tank had separated, fourteen seconds later.

I unstrapped a little too quickly, being unused to the lack of gravity; I had to get my seat folded down to extract a long lens camera out of a locker. Only a few minutes had passed, but already the brightly illuminated orange External Tank was coming into view in the overhead windows, against the utterly black background of space. My job was to photograph the charred areas on the aft end, before it drifted too far away. Jets of unused liquid hydrogen were venting sporadically from the Tank's midsection, illuminated by the sunlight. Then I caught my first glimpse of the earth, and for a moment was disappointed that its curve was so slight. My first through was, "We are not high enough, if only we could be going to the moon!", but soon I became mesmerised by the view below.

The odd position of the earth relative to the cabin was disorientating, but the brilliance of the clouds and snow-covered landmass, bordered by an intense blue horizon, with bottomless black all around, has burned itself into my memory. In the middle distance was a perfect circle, a crater in the snow, about the size of a penny held outstretched. For a moment I wondered if it had just been made, as it looked so fresh, but I then guessed it to be a fifty-kilometre, two hundred million year old crater in Canada that I had seen in earth observation classes.

At that moment we were only about two hundred kilometres up and still climbing to apogee, where we subsequently fired our manoeuvring engines to circularise our orbit at three hundred kilometres. From that vantage point, the earth did indeed look like a ball. From then on I never tired of watching the blindingly blue and white sphere of the earth being slowly consumed by the total blackness all around, as it went from circle to crescent to sliver every ninety minutes. The sunsets were incredible. As the visible earth diminishes, its colour below turns to greys and pale blues, touched with spots of pink along the terminator, where the red sun at the surface is touching off the tops of thunderheads high up in the atmosphere. After a very brief sunset, when the black earth is bordered by a rainbow circle, the still brightly lit Shuttle suddenly dims all at once, and immediately we can see a myriad stars and the Milky Way all around us. As we orbit around the night side of the earth, only a very faint glow betrays the edge of the atmosphere, and the black planet itself is shown only by pearly moonlight reflecting off barely discernible cloud sheets or by lightning flashes that seem to be in synchrony over thousands of miles. 45 minutes later the earth's rim starts to brighten, and the whole sequence repeats in reverse.

It was almost impossible to go to bed at the end of a busy day and not watch this sequence, as continents went by with new features to marvel at on every orbit. Over Antarctica, at night, we would fly through aurora borealis hundreds of miles high, with deep red above and green below, forming a shimmering oval that flitted back and forth, roughly centred on the magnetic pole.

Our work was engrossing too. We steered instruments to track the night side airglow and the dynamics of the natural aurora, while others made continuous spectral observations of the sun and the atmosphere. In an experiment to generate artificial aurora, we fired electron beams out of the payload bay. Glowing white balls of light moved swiftly away from us, appearing to travel as if on curved rails, down toward the earth's atmosphere.

I was like a child in his favourite science park. When our ninth day came and went, and it was time to clean up and come home, I felt genuinely sad to be leaving. As our wheels rolled to a stop at Kennedy Space Center, and I fought the fatigue of sudden, oppressive weight all over my body, I was terribly aware of where I had been only an hour before. I feel one of the luckiest, as I can look forward to going into space again and again.

So what did I learn? All the obvious things, that there are no lines delineating countries when viewed from space, and that the earth is indeed round. More seriously, space flight in this part of the solar system is nothing like a Star Trek movie, with stars flowing by, visible at the same time as planets. Indeed, a long voyage to Mars without a nearby planet to rest one's eyes on could be quite depressing, hanging day after day in a brightly lit void. I had never imagined how cheerful and sunny low earth orbit would be, nor how extraordinary the galaxy appears at night in the earth's shadow. So some of my fantasies were inaccurate, but they had motivated me year after year as I worked toward that day.

MICHAEL FOALE (1975)

The Sporting Record

Many Old Members will be aware of the plight of Mike Biggar (1968) who won 24 caps for Scotland at rugby, but is now confined to a wheelchair and has short-term memory loss following a car accident in 1992. The rugby world is raising money to help support him and his young son - donations [cheques payable to "The Wooden Spoon Society (Mike Biggar)"] should be sent to Rugby World Editor, IPC Magazines, King's Reach Tower, Stamford Street, London SE1 9LS.

Henley '55 - The Ladies' Plate

In the early 1950s Queens' was one of the smaller colleges. Only nine members of the Boat Club had won Blues and the Club as a whole had no major achievement to its credit. The '55 crew comprised John Cox (bow and Captain), Iain Clayre, David Thallon, Ross Urquhart, John Chaplin, Ian Menzies, Ian Welsh, Tony Shephard (stroke) and Mick Wells (cox). All were undergraduates and several had spent two years in one or other of the Services. Most had rowed before coming up, but there were no stars.

Hank Rushmere (Thames RC) coached us at the start of the May Term. He considered us to be incompetent, unfit and idle, and said so. In those days a cox with bottle could steer an eight from Jesus Lock to Baitsbite non-stop. Ours did so every day, both ways, for two weeks. Hank didn't much care for "paddling light" or "half-pressure". Somehow we survived this make-or-break routine and emerged as a very fit and aggressive crew. After a period of consolidation under Keith Cannon (QCBC), the legendary Bill Williams (TRC) got us calmed down, tuned up and moving the boat efficiently in time for the May Races. As had happened in the Lents we made three very quick bumps but were denied the magical fourth by an outstandingly slow crew starting two ahead of us on the last day.

After two days off for May Balls we moved to the Thames. Bill wove his spell over us again so that we won the Marlow Eights and four out of the eight won the coxless four event as well. That entailed something like eight races in one day, but the Marlow course is short and we were very fit.



The 1955 1st May and Henley Boat Crew, winners of the Ladies Challenge Plate, with their coaches and Mr A D Browne.

Photo: Stearn and Sons

At Henley, then a four day event, we were entered for the Ladies' Plate. Our game plan never varied. Get in front and stay there. In the first round stroke came off his slide at the start and by the time we had sorted ourselves out we were a length down on Balliol. Not hugely impressive, but it did remind us that we could row past a crew if we had to. Our main problem in the next two rounds was nervousness as the cognoscenti hinted that we were in with a chance. More and more green and white appeared in the Enclosure each day and by Saturday very few Queens' dons can have been left in Cambridge.

The other finalists were LMBC, Head of the River and with a long tradition of wins at Henley. Before the start their cox told his crew, for our benefit, "Queens' aren't bad, but we're the first quality crew they've come up against". That remark was possibly worth half of the 1½ lengths by which we beat them in a race in which we never felt seriously threatened.

Euphoria was the order of the day, but none so euphoric as Archie Browne, much loved Vice-President of the College who had supported the Boat Club through thick and thin for over 30 years. He held court from his wheel chair in its usual spot in the Enclosure. The mound of Archie's cigarette stubs reached record proportions, as did the number of Queensmen of all generations despatched with his chits for Gs and T for him and Pimms, at 5/- (25p) per pint, for everyone else.

IAN WELSH (1953)

Cross-Country Veterans

The team of veteran cross-country runners based around the legendary Queens' squads of the 1950s and 1960s, has continued to thrive, and indeed to improve, despite increasing age (now ranging from 43 to 60). In the November 1993 High Peak Relay we took the award for the first veteran's team home, following this up with second place in this category in 1994. In the Hyde Park Relays we have continued to compete with distinction, achieving our highest placing yet in the 1994 event, finishing in the top half of a very strong field consisting mainly of University undergraduate first teams both from this country and abroad.

However the highlight of the year (producing possibly the finest achievement ever of any Queens' team from any era) came in the summer of 1994 when a team of twelve undertook to run from Paddington Basin in London to Gas Street Basin in Birmingham, along the Grand Union Canal tow-path. The total distance of 144 miles was split into 48 separate legs averaging three miles each, each team member hence running four times. Starting at 4.30 a.m. in atrocious conditions of wind and rain the team completed the course in just under 17 hours, taking half an hour off the previous record time for this route. Not bad for a team whose average age was just over 52! Subsequently a team of young club athletes has improved on our time by just under 27 minutes, but we intend to make a further attempt on the record in the summer of 1996.

HENRY SOUTHWORTH (1961)

Canoeing

When you think of the River Cam you probably think of rowers, tourists on punts and rowing boats, the odd narrow boat, and an infamous undergraduate windsurfer. But there is also that other group called canoeists. The University Canoe Club actively uses the Cam, operating from garage premises based behind the boathouses below Jesus Lock.

Canoeing is a major developing sport whose following is continually growing. It is a sport that can offer something for everyone, whether it be the excitement of running a big white water rapid or simply being free on the water amongst the wildlife. Canoeing on the Cam offers excellent scenery with the Backs and the country passageway to Grantchester. The Cambridge University Canoe Club has a wide range of members of all abilities and interests. Both competition and recreational paddling has a strong following. Weekend activities include pool sessions and a Sunday afternoon paddle/instruction course out on the Cam.

The Club competes in inter-university competitions which include white water racing, slalom, and canoe polo. In the 1993-4 academic year, Cambridge won the white water race at Llangollen, North Wales, and we came third in the slalom, beaten only by both Nottingham institutions who can boast the world's best training facilities on their doorstep. The Varsity match consists of the white water race, slalom, and marathon legs, with a canoe polo leg soon to be included (yes, Cambridge won last year!). Queens' features highly in the membership of the Club. Both Steve Muir and Neale Osmond have been included in the University teams for different competition disciplines. They are also both actively involved in the running of the Club; Steve is Publicity Officer, and Neale Treasurer. The range of activities on offer by the Club increases year by year as the sport and interest grows. Members' skills are developed in all areas of the sport by competent competition paddlers and recognised qualified instructors.

NEALE OSMOND

American Football in Cambridge

The sport of American Football (or gridiron) was first introduced to these shores when Channel 4 showed Superbowl XVII in 1983. Not long afterwards, several leagues were set up in Britain, and a couple of years later the British College American Football League was formed. In 1988 the Cambridge University American Football Club was formed, and joined the student league in 1990. After a tough first season (W1 L7) the club recruited Dr Beau Riffenburgh of Wolfson College (who had worked as a senior historian for the National Football League in America) as head coach. At the same time, several talented players, including Matthew Adams and Meirion Towell from Queens', joined the team which ended the season with a record of W5 L5.

In the season 1992/93, the team finished the regular season with a W7 L1 record. Highlights of the season included beating Oxford University for the first time to win the Varsity Bowl, with Anglia Television filming the game. The team progressed to the national semi-finals, losing to the eventual winners Southampton University 14-8, in a hard-fought game. The season also established the 'Pythons' (as the team are known) as one of the top clubs in the country. Last year, the team slipped from its usual high standards to finish with a 6-2 record, and failed to make the

playoffs. However, the team did have the satisfaction of sending four players to the Great Britain National Student team - including Meirion Towell of Queens'. The Great Britain team travelled to Germany to play three German teams, including the European Championship game against the German Students in Berlin. Meirion and Andrew Wilson of Pembroke were voted onto the Student All-Star team by the coaches of opposing teams.

With three of the four national players returning for the current season, the Pythons are expected to challenge again for the national title. The team has also been strengthened with the addition of some key players, including Jon Sander from Queens'. With a fast, explosive offence, and a tough, strong defence, the Pythons have beaten their opponents by an average score of 56 points to 2, and are the team to beat at the moment. Although not yet classified as a half-blue sport, Meirion Towell, the current President of the Club, is hopeful that the sport will be granted half-blue status at the end of this year.

MEIRION TOWELL



Rob Burch takes aim in the *Queen's Final 1994*.

Photo: Simon Birkenhead

Rifle Shooting

Although rifle shooting exists solely at a University level, Queens' has, over the past few years, featured prominently in the sport. This year, for example, the Captains of both the full-bore and small-bore disciplines, Simon Birkenhead and Matthew James, are from Queens', along with the full-bore Vice-Captain, Marcus Beattie, and two other members of the squad.

Queens' shooters had a very successful season. Last year's University Captain, Robert Burch, not only captained the English and British Universities teams, but was selected as reserve for England in the home-nations match at the UK National Championships in July. He also finished in the top 10 in the *Queen's Final*, the most prestigious of the individual competitions at the Championships. Simon Birkenhead collected a trophy for being the top under-25 shot at 1100 and 1200 yards, and Matthew James finished as the top overall novice shot. In August, Simon Birkenhead flew to Ottawa to shoot in the Canadian National Championships as part of a combined Oxford & Cambridge tour team, and finished second (out of over 400 international competitors) in the overall *Grand Aggregate*, having shot 11 perfect scores out of the 16 included in the aggregate, at

distances ranging from 300 to 1000 yards. Birkenhead also top-scored for Great Britain in the under-25 match, putting each of the 30 shots fired at 900 and 1000 yards into the bull.

This year Queens' has another Great Britain Junior

International shot in freshman Richard Birtwistle, and so the College will, for at least another few years, continue to be extremely strong in the sport.

SIMON BIRKENHEAD

Officers of the Clubs 1994-95

		<i>Captain/President</i>	<i>Secretary</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>
Association Football	(Mens)	Nicholas Gealy	Matthew Halsey	Julie Stewart
	(Ladies)	Julia Donaldson	Louise Watson	
Badminton	(Mens)	John Davie	Stuart Raynor	Gareth Branston
	(Ladies)	Karen Spenley	Emma Brown	
Basketball		Kevin Loh		
Boat Club	(Mens)	Adam Rumian	Howard Stone	Martin Nuttall
	(Ladies)	Sophie Bye		
Bridge		Adam Khan		
Chess		Andrew Jones		
Cricket	(Mens)	Paul Howarth	James Stevens	Graham Cox
	(Ladies)	Samantha Lawrence		
Croquet		Geoffrey Bache	Justin Jones	
Cross Country/Athletics		Michael Teale	Guy Banim	
Darts		Adam Webster		
Go-Karting		Richard Mansell	Nicholas Gealy	Vrugvad Karkhanis
Golf		Andrew Matthews	Patrick Corr	Neil Coomber
Hockey	(Mens)	James Stevens	Richard Hodgson	Charles Statham
	(Ladies)	Susannah Jenkins	Amanda Hobman	
Lacrosse		Sarah Bowden	Richard Armstrong	Peter Acher
Lawn Tennis	(Mens)	Richard Armstrong	Joanna McAllister	
	(Ladies)	Beverley Pearce		
Netball		Sarah Tay	Beverley Pearce	Sarah Tay
Pool	(Mens)	Matthew Carmody	Richard Charley	
	(Ladies)	Sarah Martin		
Rugby Union	(Mens)	Neil Coomber	Martin Nuttall	Andrew Gill
	(Ladies)	Bianca Roccelli		Sarah Holmes
Squash	(Mens)	David Goodey	Sanjay Mehta	
	(Ladies)	Susannah Jenkins	Joanna McAllister	
Table Tennis		Matthew Halsey	Michael Bourne	Radha Ruparel
Tiddlywinks		David Carslake	Jason Westley	Rupert Thompson
Volleyball		Julian Sweet		Matthew Pritchard
Water Polo		Daniel Preddy		Iain Galloway

Badminton

The men's badminton team built on the success of the previous year, with all but one of its six teams moving up at least one division. The first team, including three 'Blues Squad' players, came second to arch rivals Fitzwilliam in the Lent Term. An influx of talented new players in the Michaelmas Term blended well with the veteran experience of established players to ensure an impressive start to the new season. Condolences, however, must go to first team player Tariq Hussain who was viciously attacked by a low fence while trying to jump over it on a training run. Hopefully, his wrist will soon recover.

Another mention must go to ex-treasurer Joseph Maher, who organised the Club's first ever 'bop' and ensuing bank account! Dog-eared shuttles will, hopefully, never be a problem again.

The ladies' badminton team has become even stronger and grown in size with three full teams entering the league in the last two years. This Michaelmas Term has seen the first team moving up into the First Division after the achievements of 1994. The games played so far have indicated a continuing success for the team in 1995, and we have been waived through the first round of Cuppers.

Basketball

1994 was a very successful year for the Queens' Basketball Club. After a slow start in the University league, the College team fought back courageously to clinch second place. The performance of the team in the final stages of the league was so impressive that the team was awarded first seed for Cuppers. Queens' was the favourite to win; and win we did. Queen's College's outstanding record in recent years - 1991: Cuppers Champions; 1992: League Champions, Cuppers Runners-up; 1994: League Runners-up, Cuppers Champions - makes it the most successful basketball team in Cambridge!

The College team annihilated all its opponents by at least 20 points on its way to the Cuppers final. In the final itself, even after the loss of two of our star players Bob Dougherty and Adam Preston mid-way through the game, the team managed to beat its opponents by almost 30 points. Winning Cuppers in such a fashion was made possible with the help of our starring Blue's players Bob, Adam and Clint Alexander and a team of talented individuals.

The College players were also successful in the 3-on-3 tournament organised by the University Basketball Club. Both Queens' teams made it to the semi-final stage. One

team of Clint, Harriet Bulkeley and Dave Rothenburg went on to win this inaugural tournament.

This year promises to be another exciting year for the team. With the help of our new Blue's player Eric Francia, veterans like Adam Preston, Henk Rikkerink (Blue's 2nd team), Martin Ruehl, and Darin Jewell and a string of new talented recruits, 1995 should be another successful year for Queens'.

Boat Club

Queens' College Boat Club has had its most successful year for a quarter of a century. The 1st VIII produced a solid performance in the Lent Bumps, going up two places to finish 6th in the First Division. The 2nd VIII started at the head of the Third Division, rowed over with ease and then bumped on four successive days before First Post Corner, deservedly winning their blades. Similarly the Women's 1st VIII went up two to fifth place overall while the 2nd VIII won their blades too.

Tim Rollingson and Suzie Henstridge rowed for the University Men's and Women's lightweight crews and Suzie has been elected CUWBC Lightweights President for this year. On the day that Miles Barnett stroked Goldie to victory, a crew of 1st and 2nd VIII members competed in the Head of the River Race on the Thames and clocked the fourth best time for an Oxbridge college crew.

The Easter Term 1st VIII included five old May colours and trained hard for the Bumps. They rowed over comfortably at the head of the 2nd Division and then, as sandwich boat, easily caught Selwyn. Bumps against Corpus Christi, St Catharine's, and finally Fitzwilliam saw the 1st VIII win its blades in the May Bumps for the first time for 26 years. The 2nd VIII also emulated their feat of the previous term by winning their blades in unstoppable fashion. The Club's euphoria was slightly dented by the bad luck of the Women's 1st VIII whose rudder fell off when they were within a length of their fourth bump.

In the Temple Challenge Cup at Henley, the 1st VIII easily beat Oriel College, Oxford, Head Boat of the Oxford bumps, in the first round, only to be defeated by an excellent Nottingham University crew.

The Club has continued its winning ways in a variety of races in the Michaelmas Term. The Men's 1st VIII were second of the college VIIIs in the Fairbairns and the Women's 1st VIII the fastest Cambridge college crew, even



The 1994 1st May Boat after winning its oars.

Photo: Sarah Barnett

beating some CUWBC trial VIIIs! Miles Barnett is once again trialling for the Blue Boat, Calum Grant has been selected as a spare man for the Lightweight crew and Erika Plambeck has been selected for the Women's Blue Boat.

Bridge

The Bridge Club continues to hold regular weekly meetings. Even though these meetings were poorly attended, we were still able to enter three teams into Cuppers. Unfortunately, Queens' II and III were knocked out in the early rounds of the competition. Queens' I (Robin Tyson & Adam Khan, Giles Thompson & Julian Cherryman) was narrowly defeated by St John's best team in the quarter finals. To encourage interest in the game, the Club held a few introductory lessons for beginners. The Club has purchased a new set of boards for Cuppers' matches, and some table-cloths.

In the Michaelmas Term we entered two teams into Cuppers. The total number of teams entered in Cuppers has fallen sharply this year from 34 to 18. It is unclear whether this is because of a decline in interest in the game, or because the University Bridge Club increased the cost of entering teams. However, the standard of teams in the competition has improved as a result, and Queens' II did well to beat Churchill II in their first round match. Although Queens' I had a difficult first round draw against St John's II, we won convincingly, only dropping more than 1 IMP on one board.

Chess

Last year Queens' Chess Club came very solidly midway in Division One of the University league and achieved a mediocre performance in Cuppers. The team did, however, provide two players, Edward Holland and Andrew Jones, for the Varsity side which came home victorious, ending a barren spell in recent years.

This year the College side has been considerably strengthened by the arrival of Demis Hassabis and Aron Cohen, and it should be difficult for Queens' not to win both the league and Cuppers. We expect to be supplying three (from eight) players to the Varsity side, which will be one of the strongest from Cambridge in many years.

Cricket

After a decidedly barren 1993 season, Queens' first XI emphatically broke their duck with victories in the league against Corpus and Downing. The Lent Term began, as ever, with indoor nets at Kelsey Kerridge. The traditionally strong graduate contingent was again in evidence. This year the new crop of talented graduates included the elegant batting skills of James Petrie, whose classy half century against Churchill in Cuppers was, sadly, in vain, Nick Redman, a whole-hearted and gritty all-rounder, and a wily old campaigner from the Black Country, Archie Clifford, possessed of an infamous super-duper slower looper.

The already proven fast-bowler, Simon Cooke, was joined in the bowling attack by the potentially lethal strike partnership of Darin Jewell and Chris Hart. Both professed never to have played before, but over the course of the season their pace and bounce troubled some experienced and accomplished batsman. If Jewell wore spikes instead of espidrils, who knows how good he might be?

For the seasoned veterans the long-awaited taste of success was particularly sweet. Cooke captained the side admirably and took much of the responsibility onto his own shoulders, coming in at 4 or 5 (and even opening once) due to a lack of depth in the batting line-up. Peter O'Brien had another solid season at the top end of the order and as usual turned in some useful performances with his off-breaks. And Paul Howarth, long-suffering secretary, kept wicket with increasing aplomb, although his form with the bat seemed to have deserted him.

The only disappointment this year was a lack of interest amongst first years. There were none in the side. I don't know - kids today ... That aside, the first XI enjoyed a highly encouraging season.

The gentlemen's XI captained by Ben Collins fared little better, managing only one victory over Caius after a hat-trick from Jim Cockin, brought about by his canny medium-pacers. Team spirit was excellent - Darin Jewell astonished with his penetrative fast bowling and was unlucky to be bowled on 99 against St Catharine's; Neil Coomber and Justin Strain player several solid, safe innings and Joel Mawdsley was always a presence in the field.

Croquet

Queens' College Croquet Club had a vintage 1994. Five pairs were entered in the Cuppers competition and first years Justin Jones and Neil Frankland reached the final. They defeated all but one of the Varsity Team on the way and lost by only one hoop through lack of time. Justin was also selected for the Varsity Team to play Oxford at Hurlingham at the end of term, an encounter in which we normally lose 9-0. This year, some inspired play in the singles from Justin rescued one point and the top doubles match was only narrowly lost owing to the poor form of his partner.

Cross-Country

The latter part of the 1993-94 cross-country season saw a rejuvenated Queens' squad approach the highest levels. Two teams were fielded in the March Inter-College relays, and the A-team of Mike Byers, Toby King, Mike Teall and Dan Webb finished a creditable 6th overall - first in the Second Division.

Such a performance came too late in the season to influence our promotion chances, and so we settled down to another season in the Second Division and, regrettably, to a serious lack of willing athletes. Improvements in the existing squad have been noted, significantly Guy Banim's elevation to the College's leading runner spot, but the successful years of the past are still a distant memory.

Football

The past year has seen QCFC become one of the largest societies in College. With many players remaining from last season and an excellent intake of first years and new graduates, the Club now has over 60 members and five teams.

The men's 3rd XI, which was set up in the Lent Term to enter the Shield competition, is now a fully fledged league side with a squad of 25 keen players. Although there are six divisions in the league the 3rd team was put straight into Division 5 because the League Secretary could not be bothered to rearrange the fixture list when a team dropped out of that division. Jim Cockin's 2nd XI continued their

meteoric rise up the league tables by gaining promotion for the second year running, thanks to an impressive string of victories after the Christmas break. Team spirit was so high that even a slight 'difference of opinion' between two 2nd XI players at the Football Club AGM did nothing to affect morale. The new season, however, has proved to be very tough, with the team now fighting hard to hold its own in a 3rd Division containing mostly college 1st XIs.

Queens' 1st XI, still in Division 2, has remained strong this season with a team consisting of half a dozen veterans of previous campaign, and several new arrivals including Philip Risbjorn - our obligatory Danish Graduate Superstar (remember Kristian Schmidt?) - and ex-Manchester University player David Craig. At a recent JCR Open Meeting, the Club succeeded in passing a motion to get a grant of approximately £2.5 million from the College Union to buy a quality foreign player, such as the Brazilian Muller, further to strengthen the squad. Unfortunately it has now transpired that, rather than the College just giving us the cash, we must buy the player first and then supply them with a receipt in order to claim the money back. Anyway, the new recruits have slotted nicely into the vacancies created by the players who left in the summer, and also the gap left by last season's captain Nick Staples who is now playing for the University. As usual the team suffered an early exit from Cuppers, but only after extra time in a thrilling local derby with King's. Meanwhile in the league we have won 3 and lost 3, and with only 3 fixtures left to play neither promotion nor relegation seem likely.

QCLFC started the season with over forty enthusiastic members in the Club, although numbers have now diminished somewhat. The 1st XI started the 1994 season with a string of victories against Churchill, Homerton and Trinity, placing us 2nd in the 2nd Division mid-term. Although our record since then has not been so consistent, by the end of the league season we had won four, lost two and drawn one. Karen Sloan as centre forward cannot seem to miss the goal while Wendy McEachern, who also plays for the University 2nd team, rarely fails in defence. Unfortunately we are still on the look-out for a regular goalkeeper. Although the 2nd team have not been so successful in terms of results, they did not get demoralised even after a crushing defeat by Girton, partly owing to amusement at Angela Chan's unusual war-crying tactics. Hopefully both teams will continue to enjoy themselves - which is, after all, the whole point of women's football at Queens' - both on the field and in the Anchor.

Go-Karting

At the end of the Michaelmas Term a select team of five drivers from Queens' entered a Go-Karting competition at the Kart Sport indoor karting arena in Caxton. The circuit is the largest of its kind and, with speeds of up to 50 mph at only a couple of inches above the tarmac, the action is both exciting and exhilarating. A total of 12 teams entered, representing other colleges and various businesses from the Cambridge area. The competition took place over 6 rounds of 12 mini Grand Prixes with five drivers in each race. After many thrills, and the odd spill, the Queens' team, under the alias 'The Dukes of Hazard' emerged as worthy winners with 105 points, a full 10 points ahead of the second placed team. The team were awarded a trophy and will be defending their championship next year.

Golf

The most enduring and endearing feature of the Queens' Golf Society - apart from its existence making it unique amongst all other colleges - is the variety of people that regularly dust down their irons, polish their spikes and proceed to Bar Hill golf course for a day's playing. At the top of the golfing spectrum are Simon Anthony (a current Blue) and Bradley Wargo (formerly captain of golf at Yale University). At the top of the socialising spectrum are such great names as Rocha, Collins and Howarth. Meanwhile, somewhere in the middle, and sure to pick up a prize, are the bandits - Mills, Coulter and Daish (our groundsman, head porter and barman respectively).

This year's committee combines the golfing talents of former 'major' winners Matthews, Coomber and Corr - a formidable triumvirate. These three shining examples to golfers everywhere were elected at Bar Hill in May after the annual summer 36-holer. Everyone played very well on the day and hardly anyone hit a bad shot except Rupert Shiers who had an air shot on the 1st tee. The course record of 65 by Tom Watson in 1981 was never really threatened. We are, as ever, indebted to Robert Glashon and Dave Vernon at Bar Hill for their generosity.

Hockey

With passion, fervour and determination undimmed by narrowly missing promotion last season, Queens' men's first team began this year's quest for glory with a repeat of last year's opener against Downing. The final score of 3-1 reflected our superiority of skill and determination, due not

least to an able and enthusiastic contingent of freshers. This vein of form has continued throughout the term. Five league games have been won, all by at least two goals. Such a start and the novel concept of 'training' gave us confidence for Cuppers. However, Christ's somehow managed to ward off our attacks and keep the score at nil all. We were very unlucky to go out on penalty flicks.

Last summer term, we entered a team for the annual indoor Cuppers tournament at Kelsey Kerridge. We made good progress, beating a strong Caius team to reach the semi-final where we met Magdalene (along with Downing and Emmanuel, the only teams to beat us last season). We hit the post but eventually succumbed 0-1.

Mike Brewer has followed on Ben Martin's work with the second team. In a novel break with tradition, they have won several matches and have helped maintain the off-the-field record in fine style. The 'Green and White Army' Christmas Party, run jointly with the football and rugby clubs at the Barton Road pavilion, served to prove this. Thanks must go to Keith Mills for his help in running it as well as for the excellent pitches he has produced all season.

Three players have graced the University sides this season. Fedor Schulten has made the Blues left half spot his own, whilst Stephen Whitbread (last season's captain) and James Stevens have been in action for the under 21's.

Talk of promotion for the College side would be premature, but enthusiasm for and the standard of hockey have grown apace in recent years and we have much to look forward to in the remaining weeks of the season.

A highlight of the ladies' 1994 season was a tightly fought Cuppers semi-final against St John's at Barton Road. The whole team played brilliantly, forcing St John's through



The Hockey Club.

Photo: Eaden Lilley

extra time to penalty flicks. Especial credit must go to Jane Fergurson who volunteered to go in goal despite lack of experience. Some brilliant saves forced a 3-3 tie, but St John's eventually won on sudden death penalty flicks.

This year has begun very well. We are as yet unbeaten and remain top of our division after an excellent game against our closest rivals, Christ's. We were two players short, but great effort from the defence, especially Julia Donaldson, Amanda Hobman and Sarah Walters, and four goals from our newcomer star scorer, Karen Sloan, and from Jo McCallister gave us victory. We also cruised our way into Cuppers semi-finals, beating Homerton in the quarters, thanks to our goalie Claire Weir, who has returned from a year abroad. Unfortunately we meet St John's again in the semi-finals, but we hope to gain revenge.

Lacrosse

On the arrival of a quite good lacrosse player at the College, Queens' Lacrosse Club was reborn in Michaelmas 1994. Sarah Bowden's talent-spotting soon began and she managed to recruit both men and women into two teams for Cuppers. Only one person in the entire two teams had played before (Sarah) but this was not allowed to dampen our enthusiasm. Two practices later we were a highly tuned pair of mixed teams, of very mixed ability.

Cuppers soon arrived and, wearing our specially commissioned commemorative T-shirts, the battle began. Unfortunately 'battle' probably describes the 2nd team's first match rather well, as the Wolfson opposition didn't quite grasp the fact that this was supposed to be a non-contact sport. The match went to a terribly tense penalty shoot-out which we tragically lost on sudden death. It was left to the first team to rescue our pride. However, Sarah's goal wasn't as impenetrable as we hoped it would be and the 1st team also lost. Enthusiasm has failed to wane, however, and indeed the Club now has regular Sunday afternoon practices and friendlies against other colleges (our first against a St John's mixed team was a 5-2 victory). There are plans afoot to set up an inter-collegiate league and a second Cuppers tournament.

Netball

Having rounded off 1993 with some frustrating 'near wins', QCNC entered 1994 with increased fervour. The Lent Term's matches followed a similar pattern, however. The mixed Cuppers proved to be the highlight of the year - our College's men showed surprising talent and enthusiasm for the sport.

The 1994-95 season has been more successful. The 2nd team has had a fairly challenging term but has won more than it's lost. The 1st team has strong fresh talent in 1st years Kathryn Astley and Kate Nicholas, who have taken well to the 'no-practice-just-turn-up-on-Fridays' attitude, and the whole team plays smoothly and solidly with moments of breathtaking brilliance! Undefeated all term, our greatest wins came against Churchill (19-2) and Robinson's men's team (7-5), (they actually gave us our toughest challenge - but they weren't as 'hard' as Downing women!). We face 1995 with more enthusiasm and energy than ever.

Pool

We really deserved to win this year. Queens' first men's pool team had nine matches in the season, and we won eight

of them. We only lost the one match, against St Catharine's, the dark horses of the league, by one frame, and then only on the black. And we still lost the league to Churchill for the four hundredth year running - by one point! I'm going to labour this, because Churchill had 87 points, and we had 86. The third placed team had a pathetic 55. So overall, we like to think that we did win, and that Churchill bribed one of the teams to lose a frame somewhere along the line. Now if they'd taken a measure of team spirit and camaraderie in with those scores, then we would have been clearly first past the post. So I would thank the team for the best season in a long time: Simon Cooke, for winning every singles match with brazen ease, Paul Howarth for a gallery of fearless shots, Mike Rocha for being able to play pool brilliantly even though he stood nearly upright when he played, Richard Charley for irritating his opponents by blocking the pockets with his balls rather than potting them, and Rupert Shiers for not keeping his mouth shut whenever there was an opportunity to comment detrimentally on the opposition.

The new season has only just got started, but I am glad to report that the men's firsts, with three new recruits, are busy winning again. The men's second team, under the captaincy of the determined Ali Jaumdally, are likely to top the second division, and the Ladies' firsts, under the captaincy of Anna Gregory are taking absolutely no prisoners.

Rugby

The end of the 1993-94 season saw the usual short burst of Cuppers fever hit Queens' 1st XV. In the first round an absolutely brilliant performance led to the defeat of 1st Division Girton in a close match which ended 7-5. Little did Simon Cooke know how vital his testing conversion would later prove to be! The second round saw Queens' draw one of the season's outstanding college sides, Downing. Good pressure was soaked up well and only Downing's greater experience enabled them finally to capitalise upon their strengths towards the end of the match. To end the season QCRFC embarked on an Easter tour to Cardiff. Our short, but eventful, stay saw us play one match against a scratch Cardiff University Law Society XV which, to say the least, was a very physical encounter. Despite a few injuries during the match we won quite convincingly but probably lost the post match sing-song. The weekend was concluded with a short detour through Oxford to watch the Women's Rugby Varsity Match.

The 1994-95 season has seen a strong squad being built up, but unfortunately early injuries to key players have not enabled Queens' fully to utilise their talents. We have had good wins over Wolfson, Corpus Christi and Trinity Hall, with a close loss against promotion favourites Fitzwilliam.

The 2nd XV, under the vocal leadership of Dave Halliday, has managed to field strong sides but has come up against strong opposition. A few losses however have not dampened their enthusiasm and with their recent publicity in the *Daily Telegraph* the end of the season may still see a sudden change in form.

This season saw a College women's team get off the ground, mainly as a result of the enthusiasm of a new captain, Bianca Roccelli, and her regular training sessions. So far they have only played one friendly match against an experienced Clare side which the Queens' team won easily! Hopefully next term will see their entry into Cuppers and the consolidation of a regular College team.

Squash

At the end of the 1993-94 season the College was boasting a strong set of teams and this was reflected in results. The men's 1st team comprised mainly 3rd years and graduates and finished third in the University. The men's 2nd and 3rd teams and the women's 1st and 2nd teams also held their own, easily retaining their positions in the league. The College was also very successful in the Cuppers competition and for the second year in a row were only knocked out in the semi-finals by Corpus Christi, notorious for their large number of Blues players.

After all the stresses and strains of the season, the Squash Club relaxed by holding a joint garden party with the Tennis and Basketball Clubs. The event, which took place on the roof of the Erasmus Building, was very popular and well-attended.

The Michaelmas Term 1994 saw the loss of the entire men's 1st team. However, a good intake of freshers allowed the College to field the usual three men's and two women's teams, but, without the experienced players of previous years, all teams struggled to find form and dropped down in the leagues. This will undoubtedly provide the new intake with a chance to gain experience at a reasonable level and should provide the College with a solid group of players for future seasons.

Table Tennis

The secretary of the Club has the very delicate task of picking players for the five teams we have at Queens'. Unfortunately, as the year went on it became apparent that some players could not be relied upon actually to play at the same time each week. One player might find himself filling in for a first team player one week and then dropping down to the third team the following week.

Although Queens' is blessed with magnificent facilities (our very own Bowett Room), the same can not be said for some of the other venues we play at. At Christ's, table tennis is played in the party room, which has black walls and an exceedingly low ceiling! The highlight of the year, as indeed every other, was the away game at Girton. Being situated approximately three miles from Queens', finding a team for this game is surprisingly difficult. First years are the most willing, probably because they do not know where Girton is!

Despite all the problems, Queens' does very well to get five teams out every week, and at the end of the 1993/94 season, the league tables showed mixed fortunes: the 1st team came 10th, the 2nd team 9th, the 3rd team 8th, the 4th team 4th and the 5th team 2nd in their Divisions.

The 1994/95 season started with a hitch, because no-one could be found to take over the mantle of University Secretary to arrange the leagues. The season finally got underway at the end of the Michaelmas Term, with mixed success for the teams. The year ended on a high note when an away match at Girton was cancelled. Unfortunately, no-one told the team involved and they travelled all the way there for nothing! Still, at least Queens' could claim the walk-over!

Tennis

1994 was a hugely successful year for the Men's Tennis Club under the captaincy of Tim Brown. Much of the previous year's talent remained, and was not so dogged by injury problems, so Tim was able consistently to raise a strong team. Performances especially worthy of mention came

from Martin Ruehl, Henk Rikkerink, Eric Sie, and Vikas Agrawal. The underlying strength in the squad was boosted by an intake of talented first years, amongst whom James Norman performed consistently well. Queens' first team was promoted from Division Two in second position. The 2nd team was not to be outdone and, captained by Paul Mills, were Division 5 champions and duly promoted to Division 4.

The biggest disappointment of the year was the failure of CULTC to organise a Cuppers tournament in which we truly believed we had a strong chance of performing well.

Queens' ladies tennis went into 1994 with its first team promoted into the First Division and some excellent new graduate members including Anne-Carole Dawance, Celine Lageot and Sihame Kairouani. The season was full of good, solid performances in the league with wins over Girton and Robinson and a draw against Homerton. We also managed to progress through a few rounds of Cuppers before meeting a very strong St John's team filled with a large number of University players. Alice Bretherton, who was unfortunately injured for the John's match, was selected to play for the University second team against Oxford and is training hard to gain her Blue this year. The year ended with the customary Pimms and Strawberries mixed doubles tournament which was played in good spirit and glorious sunshine.

Tiddlywinks

Queens' position at the pinnacle of world tiddlywinks has been damaged this year by a low recruitment of new members and the taking of the World Singles crown by a non-Queensman. Our reputation in national competition has been maintained, however, with the second placed team in the national teams of four containing three Queens' players: Rupert Thompson, David Jagoe and Adam Branscomb. This is especially encouraging since the latter two are novices to the game.

Within the Club, competition pressures at higher levels prevented all but the 'Welsh' novices trophy being contested. David Jagoe completed a successful novice term by winning the 'Welsh' in partnership with experienced player Ed Wynn. Our domination at University level continues, with Queensmen winning most University titles and providing five of the eight-strong Varsity match team. QuCTwC is still at the forefront of the game, but recruitment next year will be crucial to our future.

Volleyball

This is the fledgling year for QCVC. The Lent Term found us hastily cobbling together a team each week for the College's summer league, and, in spite of heroic efforts from Mark Hancox, stalwart of the University side, Queens' finished a very long way from the top of the table! The quality of dives into large mudpuddles was, however, a definite strong point of the team.

There was also an occasional impromptu knock-about on Queens' Green during the exams, attended mainly by despairing engineers trying to put the day's papers behind them. The high point of the year, though, had to be finishing third in the one day Cuppers event on Jesus Green. Sun, grass, and beach volleyball combined for a dazzling display of artistry and power ... This is what it's all about.

The Michaelmas Term is the College volleyball off-season, but the Club is now in possession of its own net, so maybe yet another use can be found for the Fitzpatrick Hall.

Water Polo

For Queens' Water Polo team, 1994 was a year that promised much. On paper we were probably the best team in the Second Division. To miss promotion by a point must therefore go down as an opportunity wasted. Vital points were dropped against weaker opposition because Queens' failed to field its strongest side.

The Cuppers competition provided us with a chance to set the record straight, and we seized it with open arms. Three victories (two against First Division sides) led to a semi-final clash against Trinity Hall, one of the best teams in the University. After two periods of extra-time the score was even. After five penalties each the teams still couldn't be separated. The deadlock was finally broken in Tit Hall's favour in the lottery of sudden death penalties. Disappointment was tempered by the excitement of the occasion.

Queens' was well represented at the University level by Nick Dodson, Toby King and Lisa Thomas. It was predictable that the loss of Dodson and King would sentence Queens' water polo to a spell of Second Division mediocrity and this has been borne out by the results in the new academic year. However, some keen novices have emerged and Dan Preddy, Lisa Thomas and Anna Gregory toured South Africa with the University teams in January.

Despite a notable lack of stars, Queens' swimmers acquitted themselves well in Cuppers. There were a number of strong individual performances and the Women reached both relay finals. The future of Queens' swimming would seem to lie with Kate Grange who has been swimming for the University in her first term at Cambridge.

The Students

This has been another very successful year for Queens' students. Academic performances were again impressive. The undergraduates and taught postgraduates achieved another record number of Firsts, a total of 112. When taken as a percentage, Queens' ranked third in the University with 26% Firsts, compared with 18% Firsts for the University as a whole. Queens' women were particularly impressive. They headed the college ranking list for percentage Firsts in the Tripos with 24%, twice the University average of 12%. Underachievement by women in University examinations is a matter of current concern in colleges, but this is clearly not reflected in Queens' women and we are proud of them.

The number of postgraduate students at Queens' increased again last year. There was a total of 287, of whom 204 were research students. PhD degrees were awarded to 25 students and MPhils to 52.

The students continue to show their talents in other areas. The following have represented the University in their particular sports and games: Peter Maxmin (Athletics); Meirion Towell (American Football); Harriet Bulkeley, Helen Pearson, Klinton Alexander, Robert Dougherty, Adam Preston (Basketball); Neale Osmond, Stephen Muir (Canoeing); Edward Holland, Andrew Jones, Aron Cohen, Demis Hassabis, David Hotham (Chess); Michael Hogg (Cruising); Guy Chapman (Eton Fives); Simon Anthony, Andrew Matthews, Brad Wargo (Golf); David Garfield, Adrian Williams (Gymnastics); Fedor Schulten (Hockey); Eirik Petterson (Ice Hockey); Tim Gershon (Judo); Robert Lake, Tina Burrows (Karate); David Rothenberg, Sarah Bowden (Lacrosse); Kate Bridger (Orienteering); Marcus Beattie, Simon Birkenhead, Robert Burch (Rifle Shooting);

Julian Thomas (Rugby League); Sarah Fox (Rugby Union); Matthew James (Small Bore Shooting); Helen Smithson (Squash); Kate Grange (Swimming); Radha Ruparel (Table Tennis); Andrew Dominey, Ed Wynn, Rupert Thompson, Andrew Young, Jonathan Williams (Tiddlywinks); Mark Hancox (Volleyball); Nick Dobson, Toby King, Dan Preddy, Lisa Thomas, Anna Gregory (Water Polo); and on the river Miles Barnett (Goldie), Tim Rollingson (Lightweights), Suzie Henstridge (Ladies' Lightweights).

Highlights of the year included a speech from Neil Hudson, representing newly graduated veterinary students at the ceremony on the occasion of their admission to Membership of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons. Writings from Queens' students were published in the *Oxford and Cambridge May Anthology of Short Stories* (Charles Fernyhough) and *of Poetry* (Anthony Dunn and Samantha Ellis). Two short films were made by Queens' students, *Bob* by Tom Viner and Nick Wood and *Shifting Sands* by Simon Birkenhead, of which more elsewhere. The Cripps Building underground car-park was used for one particularly sinister scene.

Old Members may be interested to know that the following sons and daughters are at present students at Queens': Gareth Branston, Thomas Brunt, Sophie Bye, Paul Carter, Stuart Crippin, Laura Garforth, Daniel Godfrey, Isabel Isherwood, Ian Langslow, Samantha Lawrence, Deborah O'Malley, Jack Mellor, Martin Nuttall, Matthew Radley, Ben Sills, Rupert Wilkinson, Daniel Wilson.

KAREEN THORNE

Film-Making at Queens'

Cambridge has always had a strong reputation for drama and Queens' in particular, with the Fitzpatrick Hall and Bats, is often at the forefront of theatrical excellence. But over the past year this trend has taken a surprising twist, with Queens' becoming the centre of film-making at Cambridge.

Student film production at Cambridge has never really taken off. There has been the odd short film here and there, very amateur affairs, but nothing too adventurous or serious. This is, without a doubt, partly due to the nightmare of funding, since, without the security of the specified venue and audience that theatre enables, student film has very little chance of actually getting any of the money back that is invested. After all, it is very difficult to charge your friends to watch a video in your room! Film is also far more complicated than theatre, since not only does all the equipment have to be hired (or 'acquired') but all the locations need to be researched and booked. If it then happens to be raining on the day that you intend to film, everything has to be rescheduled. The time scale for making a film is also greater; the actual filming period is often the shortest element because of the extended pre-production and post-production (editing) stages.

Over the past year, however, Queens' has suddenly ventured deeply into this big wide unknown of film-making. During the Michaelmas Term 1993, Thomas Viner and Nick Wood began raising funds for a 30 minute drama, *Bob*, which they boldly intended to film on 16mm film (as opposed to the much cheaper video). This fund-raising exercise was surprisingly successful, and filming went ahead over Christmas, on location in a very cold Cambridge and Oxford. Coincidentally at the same time another Queens' student, Simon Birkenhead was putting the finishing touches to a 60 minutes drama which he had



Filming 'Bob' on location in Oxford.

Photo: Simon Birkenhead

written over the previous summer, *Shifting Sands*. He set about raising funds for his film during Lent 1994, primarily through a share scheme whereby friends and relatives of the cast and crew were asked to invest in the film in the (perhaps rather vain) hope that it might eventually make a profit. Filming took place during the last two weeks of the Lent Term and for two weeks over Easter. To save costs filming was done on video, but professional equipment was used to ensure that the quality of the end product would be similar to that of film.

The editing of *Bob* was undertaken over 5 months in a very small, dingy room in the Dokett basement, using film editing equipment borrowed from a family friend. The editing team of *Shifting Sands*, however, was forced to spend several weeks in a professional editing studio in London, at great expense, owing to a lack of suitable equipment nearer to home. Editing 9 to 9 every day for three weeks, although tiring and mind-numbing, did ensure that *Shifting Sands* was completed just a month after filming had finished.

Both films were premiered in the Fitzpatrick Hall during May Week to sell-out audiences. Such was the hype surrounding the events that it was surprising how many people totally unconnected with the two films had heard of the enterprises. After all, these were major projects, of 30 minutes and 60 minutes duration, and it had been at least a decade since a professionally produced student film had been premiered in Cambridge. At the time of writing, there are currently two more films being produced in Queens', by Angela Chan and Andy Richards, while there continues to be little activity in the rest of the University. These two

films, to be made over Christmas and next Lent Term, may not be quite as grand in scope and budget as *Bob* and *Shifting Sands*, but it is very encouraging to see that success has bred success and that people are realising that making films is possible in Cambridge.

SIMON BIRKENHEAD

Following in the Footsteps of Erasmus - A Year's Study Abroad

It is perhaps appropriate that two of the five students chosen for Cambridge University's first foray into Europe (Claire Weir and myself) should have been from Queens'. Ours was, after all, the College which welcomed that most celebrated of itinerant scholars, Erasmus, after whom the E.U.'s student exchange programme is named. As the Law Faculty stressed before we left for our destination - the University of Poitiers in France - this was the very first time that Cambridge undergraduates had been sent to follow a course of study in a foreign university; it was consequently imperative that the exchange should be a success.

I understand that Erasmus complained bitterly about the climate in Cambridge. Indeed, the continental Europeans and, it must be said, the French in particular, seem to take great pleasure in reminding us how bad our weather is. I am therefore very glad to be able to return the compliment. The city of Poitiers must be one of the wettest places in Europe. Just inland from the Atlantic facade, it bears the brunt of the

weather fronts arriving from the West. As a result, the lower-lying parts of the city were flooded twice during our stay and for a couple of days the city was virtually cut off, with numerous roads impassable and the railway station under several feet of water. In November, moreover, we had to contend with near-Arctic conditions. Astonishingly it did not actually snow, but at one point the daytime temperature fell to -10°C .

Lawyers and other Arts students at Queens' are wont to complain bitterly when they have to attend 9 o'clock lectures. If the idea of crawling out of bed at 8.45a.m. is anathema to them, they should spare a thought for their French counterparts. French law lecturers must all be insomniacs - they insist on giving lectures at 8 o'clock in the morning. Since most Poitevin students (including ourselves) lived in the city centre, a good half an hour's bus ride away during the rush hour, this entailed getting up at the ungodly hour of 7 a.m. Moreover, the penalty for being even slightly late was exclusion from the lecture, in stark contrast to the relaxed regime back in Cambridge. Pity the poor student, as yet only half awake, who is spotted trying to creep into the lecture theatre unnoticed at one minute past eight, while the lecturer's back is turned. The lecturer looks at him, a gleam of sadistic satisfaction in his eyes before he coldly issues the cruel command: "Vous ressortez s'il vous plait, Monsieur!"

On a more serious note, we all benefited academically from our year abroad. The standard of teaching was far lower than that in Cambridge, principally because the pupil-teacher ratio even in the weekly supervisions was 40:1; in lectures it was 500:1. This state of affairs was compounded by a system of continuous assessment in supervisions which encouraged a few vociferous, but not necessarily well-informed, souls to monopolise proceedings in order to be sure of getting a good mark. There is no selection at the stage when students enter French universities, but in the first two years more than half of them are guaranteed to fail. Such severe competition for places in the next year at every stage is not particularly conducive to a happy atmosphere among students. Nevertheless, it was extremely useful for all of us to study a system of law so different from that to which we were accustomed. When several of us subsequently did summer placements with City law firms, both in London and Paris offices, we found that we were better placed to research points of French law than were trainee solicitors several years our senior who had never had the chance to study abroad.

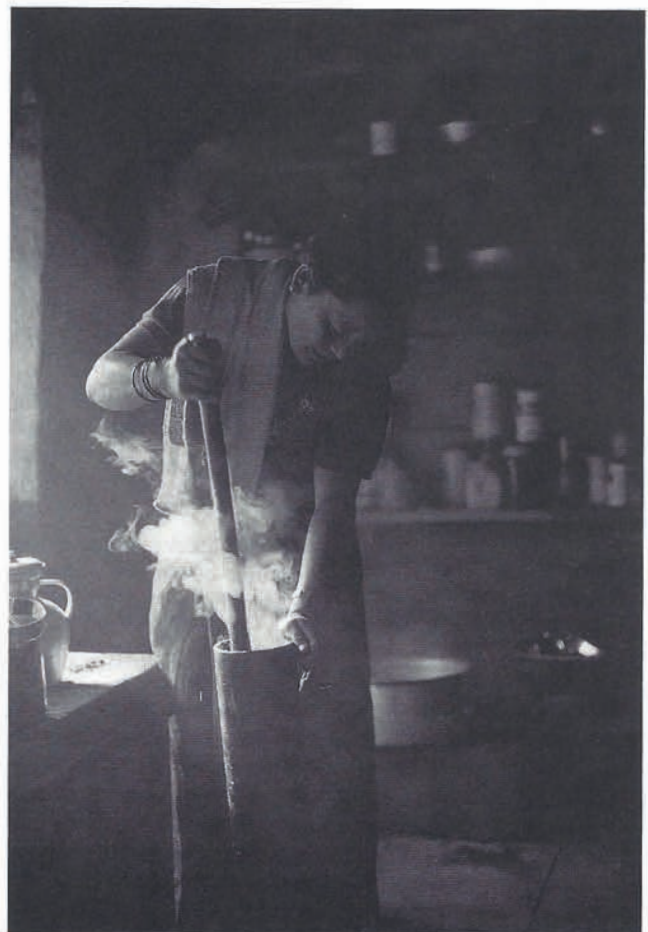
That said, our workload was far from heavy, for as foreigners we were only expected to do about half the number of subjects studied by French students. Living as most of us did in flats, we did not find that we had too much time on our hands. The experience of doing our own household chores, dealing with the endless bureaucratic formalities involved in obtaining student rent rebates, and remonstrating with sometimes difficult landlords was an interesting contrast with the comfortable Cambridge world of Hall, bedders, maintenance requests, exeat and tutors. I think it is fair to say that we all returned to Cambridge not only with knowledge of French law, but also better acquainted with 'real life' than when we departed. We certainly encountered problems, as I believe did the two Frenchwomen who replaced Claire and myself for a year at Queens', but on the whole the exchange was a success and seems likely not only to continue but to expand.

MATTHEW RADLEY

Cultural Change in North Western Nepal

An undergraduate student of Social Anthropology, I have recently returned from a three month stint of field research among the Thakali, a Tibeto-Burman ethnic group in the highlands of Nepal. The majority of the population is located along the valley of the Kali Gandaki river in the district of Mustang. They live at a mean altitude of 2,500m, some 4-5 days walk from a road, and are flanked by some of the highest Himalayan peaks - Dhaulagiri and Annapurna. Contrary to the popular image of remote and tribal peoples, the Thakali are an extremely individualistic and vibrant community of Trans-Himalayan salt traders whose business acumen is now legendary in Nepal. Due to their socio-economic dynamism and mobility, they have come to stand for the blending of divergent religious and linguistic trends that is so typical of Nepal. However, on account of the Chinese occupation of Tibet (which ended the salt trade virtually overnight) and the influx of tourists to the Annapurna trekking circuit since 1960, the Thakali have had radically to redefine their livelihood. I went to study the forms and implications of these changes.

I spent a great deal of time conducting interviews with members of the community, most of which were recorded in Nepali. I wanted to discuss the changing identity of the Thakali, which was luckily a popular subject with a decidedly political flavour. As a result, there was no shortage of interviewees. Towards the end of my time there, I compiled a word-list of 'Thakali', an unwritten Bodic language of the Sino-Tibetan family. For the linguistic



A Thakali woman making Tibetan tea.

Photo: Mark Turin

research, I worked closely with a few individual Thakalis who still speak their language fluently. The language itself is unfortunately in decline - it has lost much of its colour and grammatical structure already - giving the whole project a sense of practical utility and urgency. By the time I left, I had collected 2,000 words, primarily from one informant, which still need to be corroborated and accurately transcribed. In the future I would like to publish a dictionary of Thakali-Nepali to be distributed to every Thakali household in Nepal, an idea which received enthusiastic support from the people I spoke to. I am submitting my findings as a dissertation towards my finals this year, but am hoping to continue my research in the form of a PhD.

MARK TURIN

The Daughter's Education Programme, Thailand

Last summer I spent over a month working with the Daughter's Education Programme in Chiang Rai, Thailand's northern-most province, in a town on the Burmese border. D.E.P. is Thai run and works with and supports girls and young women in education and training programmes who would otherwise have been forced into a (short) life of prostitution.

Child prostitution is a massive problem in Thailand involving as many as 3-400,000 children. It's a deeply-rooted problem created and exacerbated by poverty, loss of land and traditional agrarian income among the poorest people in the Northern Hill-lands, and desire for material possessions (a tradition which means that daughters are expected to do anything for the good of their families). Corrupt police and local government officers act as agents, offering parents money to 'buy' their daughters, and protect the brothel owners.

D.E.P. works to intercept when the girls complete their compulsory education at age 11, and works with local community leaders, teachers and families to identify girls at high risk. It offers funding to allow them to stay in school or vocational training programmes, such as sewing and computing. About 300 girls are currently supported. Most live at home, but 50 or so, mainly from ethnic minority groups such as Akha 'Hill-Tribe' who lack access to a school, live at the D.E.P. centre. This is where I lived in a traditional village built for the girls. I was mainly working in the office in English-language correspondence such as fund-raising. I also worked with the children giving English lessons and playing games (although I never rose early enough for aerobics at 5.30 a.m.!).

One of the most outstanding experiences was representing D.E.P. at a small week-long seminar of government and N.G.O. representatives from the Maekhong River nations - Burma, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam and China. We met to discuss the potential effects of developing tourism on the environment and indigenous peoples, and how to prevent or minimise problems. It was interesting to see how, through sharing of experiences, views slowly changed: from government representatives who denied Vietnam had any child prostitutes to acceptance that the problem probably existed to discussion of ways to tackle it.

For more information on D.E.P.'s work, and how to support it please contact me at Queens', or D.E.P., P.O. Box 10, Maesai, Chiang Rai 57130, Thailand.

REBECCA CLARK



Jon Pawley planting a tea bush in Kenya.

The Value of a Gift

Africa evokes images of dry, flat plains, devoid of shelter, and of scorching sun. I had been selected by the Church Missionary Society to travel with a group of ten others to Kenya on an 'overseas experience'. Would I be driving across semi-deserts for endless miles hardly seeing anyone? Where would we be sleeping? - out in the open? I really didn't know and I was a little apprehensive about what I was going to 'experience'.

We were the guests of the Diocese of Eldoret, one of the largest dioceses in Kenya, stretching from the Nandi Hills past Lodwar in Turkana to the border of Sudan. The Diocese reflects the whole of Kenya in its diversity, from the green and lush tea-growing highlands (encompassing the second highest mountain in Kenya, Mount Elgon) to the arid lowlands of the north.

We were based in the town of Eldoret and from there we went out to meet various groups in the community: a tiny but essential health centre serving a multitude of hillside villages, a soft-drinks bottling plant, a textile factory, a church in one of the poorest areas, a family-owned tea plantation. We were always asked to do something for the Kenyans, such as planting a seedling tea plant (it will be three years before it is ready for plucking).

The highlight of the month was a safari to Lodwar. As we travelled northwards the green Cherangani Hills gave way to the desolation of semi-desert. The landscape changed dramatically to one of stretching horizons and scrub land. It was hard to imagine anyone surviving there. Seventy miles from the nearest town was Kakuma - a refugee camp for more than 10,000 Dinka people from Sudan who had fled the Civil War in their homeland, leaving *everything* behind. But they brought their African custom of giving to their guests and gave selflessly to us. People living in makeshift mud huts, relying on Western Aid for their survival, had nevertheless saved up what little they had and journeyed quite a distance to buy each of us a bottle of Coke to help us cope with the harsh African noon.

I can't wait to get back to Africa! My trip was partly financed by grants from the College Travel Fund and the Chapel Fund.

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Distinctions and Awards

First Year

First Classes and Awards:

Helen J. Anderson (Tupton School, Sheffield): Part IA Medical and Veterinary Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Geoffrey J. Bache (Wolverhampton Grammar School): Part IA Mathematics with Computer Science Tripos; College Exhibition.

James C. Beck (Pate's Grammar School, Cheltenham): Part IA Mathematics Tripos; College Exhibition.

Micheal J. Brewer (Portsmouth Grammar School): Part IA Mathematics Tripos; College Exhibition.

David W. Clark (Strathallan School, Perth): Part IA Engineering Tripos; College Exhibition.

Rebecca L. Clark (Beacon Community College, Crowborough): Part I Social and Political Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Timothy J. Clarke (Oxford School): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

I. Daniel Diskin (St John Fisher RC High School, Dewsbury): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Suzanne E. Eade (Havant College): Part I Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos (German).

Gillian M. Eades (Simon Langton Girls' School, Canterbury): Part I Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos (German).

Mark C. Elliott (Workington Sixth Form College): Part IA Law Tripos; College Exhibition.

Nemone C.M.C. Franks (Edgbaston High School for Girls): Part IA Law Tripos; College Exhibition.

Timothy J. Gershon (Dr Challoner's Grammar School, Amersham): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Richard P. Gledhill (King Edward VI School, Stratford-upon-Avon): Part IA Engineering Tripos; College Exhibition.

David J. Goulding (Worthing Sixth Form College): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Calum A. McK. Grant (King Edward VI Five Ways School, Birmingham): Part IA Mathematics with Computer Science Tripos; College Exhibition.

D. Anthony Hardy (Highfields School, Matlock): Part IA Mathematics Tripos; College Exhibition.

Benjamin M. Horner (North Shropshire College, Oswestry): Part IA Medical and Veterinary Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Ahmed N. Hussain (Banbury School): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Diana E. Jackson (Aylesbury High School): Part I Economics Tripos; College Exhibition.

Nicholas S.H. Jankel-Elliott (University College School, London): Part IA Medical and Veterinary Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Matthew J. Knight (King's School, Worcester): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Samantha J. Lawrence (Charterhouse): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Miranda N. Lea (Exeter College): Part I Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos (German).

Antony M. Lewis (Alleyn's School, London): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Kit L. Lim (Roedean School): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Nicola E. Marshall (Sir John Deane's Sixth Form College, Northwich): Part I Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos (French).

Timothy J. Morris (Barton Peveril College, Eastleigh): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Thomas M.W. Nye (Merchant Taylors' School, Liverpool): Part IA Mathematics Tripos; College Exhibition.

Mark Offord (Wallington High School for Boys): Preliminary Examination for Part I Oriental Studies Tripos; College Exhibition.

Philip J. Outram (Sandbach School): Part IA Mathematics Tripos; College Exhibition.

Douglas P.I. Pierce-Price (City of London School): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Stuart A. Parker (Hampton School): Part IA Engineering Tripos; College Exhibition.

Menaka R. Perera (Colombo International School): Part I Economics Tripos; College Exhibition.

Christopher J. Quince (Bedford Modern School): Part IA Natural Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Amr A.H. Radwan (Wellington School): Part IA Medical and Veterinary Sciences Tripos; College Exhibition.

Tal Shamir (Haberdashers Aske's School for Girls, Elstree): Part IA Engineering Tripos; College Exhibition.

Colin P. Singleton (Shenfield School, Brentwood): Part IA Mathematics Tripos; College Exhibition.

Stephen C.L. Telfer (Exmouth Community College): Part IA Computer Science Tripos; College Exhibition.

Rolanda M. Thorpe (Cheltenham Ladies College): Part I Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos (Russian).

Andrew D. Towers (Royal Grammar School, Guildford): Part IA Mathematics Tripos; College Exhibition.

Edward J. Turner (Abingdon School): Part IA Engineering Tripos; College Exhibition.

Suzanne L. Turner (Harrogate Grammar School): Part I Economics Tripos; College Exhibition.

Lucian Wischik (Leys School, Cambridge): Part IA Computer Science Tripos; College Exhibition.

Second Year

The following were awarded First Classes and Foundation Scholarships:

Sarah E. Bedford: Part I English Tripos.

Harriet A. Bulkeley: Part IB Geography Tripos.

Anthony D. Challinor: Part IB Natural Sciences Tripos.

Kathryn R. Clarke: Part I Historical Tripos.

Nicholas D. Gealy: Part IB Mathematics Tripos.

Daniel P. Godfrey: Part IB Engineering Tripos.

Lucy H.C. Grig: Part I Historical Tripos.

Duncan P. Grisby: Part IB Computer Science Tripos.

Andrew L. Hazel: Part IB Mathematics Tripos.

Ian H. Holmes: Part IB Natural Sciences Tripos.

Alexander E. Holroyd: Part IB Mathematics Tripos.

Timothy J. Hunt: Part IB Mathematics Tripos.

Oliver T. Johnson: Part IB Mathematics Tripos.

Rachel C. Kimberley: Part IB Law Tripos.

Eamon J. McCrory: Part IB Natural Sciences Tripos.

Joseph M. Maher: Part IB Mathematics Tripos.

E. Oliver T. Morris: Part IB Natural Sciences Tripos.

Karen M. Page: Part IB Mathematics Tripos.

Howard J. Stone: Part IB Natural Sciences Tripos.

Yih-Choung Teh: Part IB Mathematics Tripos.

Karen L.F. Watson: Part IB Engineering Tripos.

Christopher J. Watts: Part IB Natural Sciences Tripos.

Thomas E. White: Part IB Mathematics Tripos.

Nigel A. Whiteoak: Part IB Engineering Tripos.

Kerstin M-L. Williams Part I Modern and Medieval Languages Tripos (Spanish).

Elizabeth L. Woolf: Part IB Law Tripos.

Third Year

First Classes and Awards:

Nichola Bowles: Part II Historical Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Thomas A. Brunt: Part II Natural Sciences Tripos; Bachelor Scholarship.

Neil J. Cante: Part II Mathematics Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Julian C. Cherryman: Part II Natural Sciences Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Koon M. Chow: Part II Economics Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Michael M. Clarke: Electrical and Information Sciences Tripos.

Benjamin R. Collins: Part IB Law Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Paul R. Collins: Part II Mathematics Tripos.

Benjamin J. Davies: Part II Natural Sciences Tripos.

Lucy Delap: Part II Social and Political Sciences Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Iain S. Galloway: Part II Natural Sciences Tripos; Bachelor Scholarship.

Nicholas C.J. Gibbins: Part II Natural Sciences Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Alison K. Godbolt: Part II Natural Sciences Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Paula A. Gould: Part II Natural Sciences Tripos; Foundation Scholarship; Bachelor Scholarship.

Emma L. Halliwell: Part II Natural Sciences Tripos; Foundation Scholarship; Bachelor Scholarship.

Laura M. Harvey: Part II English Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Daniel J. Horrobin: Part I Chemical Engineering Tripos; Bachelor Scholarship.

David Inglis: Part II Social and Political Sciences Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

Daniel N. Jones: Part II Mathematics Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.

T. Alexander G. Marcuson: Part II Mathematics Tripos.

Sarah A. Martin: Part II Archaeology and Anthropology Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.



*The Armitage Room in use for revision during the exam period.
Photo: Richard Prager*

Joel E.D. Mawdsley: Part II Natural Sciences Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.
 Hannah Nixon: Part II Economics Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.
 Martin A. Ruehl: Preliminary Examination for Part II Historical Tripos.
 Adam P. Shepherd: Part II Mathematics Tripos; Bachelor Scholarship.
 Rupert A. Shiers: Part II Law Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.
 Nina L. Stratford: Part II Social and Political Sciences Tripos; Foundation Scholarship.
 Giles W.P. Thompson: Part II Mathematics Tripos; Bachelor Scholarship.
 Hugh A. Unwin: Part II Engineering Tripos.
 Thomas G. Viner: Part II Historical Tripos.
 Paul M. Ward: Part II Computer Science Tripos.
 Lucy Webster: Part II English Tripos.
 Stephen P. Wilcox: Part II Mathematics Tripos; Bachelor Scholarship.
 Timothy J.L. Young: Part II Engineering Tripos.

Graduate Students

First Classes and Awards:

Antranig M. Basman: Part III Mathematics Tripos.
 James L. Campbell: Part II Chemical Engineering Tripos.
 Clennell D. Collingwood: Part II Chemical Engineering Tripos.
 Leo M. Dee: Part II Chemical Engineering Tripos.
 Stephen F. Hewson: Part III Mathematics Tripos.
 Victoria R. March: LLM; Foundation Scholarship.
 Nichola F. Newton-King: LLM; Foundation Scholarship.
 Paul N. Rubenstein: LLM; Foundation Scholarship.
 Kathryn P. Semple: Final Veterinary Examination, Pass with Special Merit.
 Philip H. Solomon: LLM; Foundation Scholarship.

College Awards

Year Prizes

Joshua King Prizes: P.R. Collins; D.J. Horrobin; H.A. Unwin; T.G. Viner
Hughes Prizes: A.D. Challinor; T.J. Hunt; O.T. Johnson
Venn Prizes: N.C.M.C. Franks; D.P.I. Pierce-Price

College Subject Prizes

Braithwaite Prize: P.R. Collins
Max Bull Prize: J.E.D. Mawdsley
Chalmers Prize: A.D. Challinor
Chase Prize: Not awarded
Clayton Prize: Not awarded
Colton Prize: S.P. Wilcox
A.B. Cook Prize: L. Webster
Lucas-Smith Memorial Prize: N.C. M.C. Franks
Melsome Memorial Prize: A.K. Godbolt
Henry Mosseri Prize: E.O.T. Morris
Northam Memorial Prize: H. Nixon
Lawrence Peel Prize: D.W. Clark
Penny White Prize: Not awarded

Phillips Prize: T.G. Viner
Prigmore Prize: H.A. Unwin
Chemical Engineering: L.M. Dee; D.J. Horrobin
Economics: D.E. Jackson
Electrical and Information Sciences: M.J. Clarke
Engineering: T.J.L. Young
Geography: H.A. Bulkeley
Law: P.N. Rubenstein; P.H. Solomon; M.C. Elliott
Mathematics: N.J. Cantle; A.L. Hazel; A.E. Holroyd; Y-C. Teh; M.J. Brewer; T.N.W. Nye; P.J. Outram; A.D. Towers
Medical Sciences: N.S.H. Jankel-Elliott
Modern Languages: K.M.L. Williams
Natural Sciences: P.A. Gould; C.R. Watts; T.J. Gershon; A.N. Hussain; S.J. Lawrence; A.M. Lewis; D.P.I. Pierce-Price
Oriental Studies: M. Offord

Other Prizes

Cyril Bibby Prize: H.A. Lewis
Dajani Prize: Not awarded
Farr Poetry Prize: Not awarded
Openshaw Prize: T.J. Hunt
Ryle Reading Prize: R.C. Woodward

University Awards

Archibald Denny Prize and the Civil Engineers' Roscoe Prize: H.A. Unwin
B.P. Chemical Prize in Advanced Physics: A.D. Challinor
The Civil Engineers' Baker Prize: T.J.L. Young
Crosse Studentship: D.K. Falk
George Charles Winter Warr Scholarship: J.B. Turner
James William Squire Scholarship: R.C. Kimberley
Manuel Lopez-Rey Graduate Prize in Criminology: G.C. Barnes
Mobil Chemical Engineering Prize: D.J. Horrobin
North Carolina State University Prize in Chemical Engineering: J.L. Campbell
Prendergast Studentship: R.J.E. Thompson
Rebecca Flower Squire Scholarships: B.R. Collins; M.C. Elliott; N.C.M.C. Franks; E.L. Woolf
The Sir Alan Cottrell Prize for Materials Science and Metallurgy: H.J. Stone
C.T. Taylor Studentship: C.K. Gardiner

Ph.D

R.D.F. Barnes (Biotechnology); M.W. Beale (Engineering); K.A. Brush (Archaeology); I.G. Campbell (Mathematics); T.W-H. Chia (Chemistry); G.M.J. Davies (Mathematics); S.L. Dolovich (Social and Political Sciences); D.M. Evers (Computer Science); D. J. Freeman (Chemical Engineering); A.H. Gee (Engineering); S.E. Gilliam (Veterinary Medicine); T.J. Henstock (Earth Sciences); N.M.D. Holdgate (Engineering); M.L. Hutton (Biochemistry); K. Kim (Law); J.E. Lewis (History); C.H. Lim (Economics); R.M. Little (English); M. Lohmeyer (Haematology); S.J. Martin (Physics); K. Norget (Social Anthropology); S.J. Ryder (Veterinary Medicine); P. Sargeant (Physiology); K. Staley (Anatomy); A.C. Thornton (Engineering); A.C. Verreault (Biochemistry); N.P. Waegner (Engineering); J.V. Walker (Chemistry); M.R. Warner (Computer Science).

Council of the Union

The spirit of co-operation between JCR and Fellows continues. However, a number of serious issues have demanded our attention over the past nine months. The real reduction in Government funding of students as a whole, and of the College in particular, led to the formation of a JCR sub-committee to consider all charges made on the students by the College. As a result, the JCR is presently working with the Fellows to devise an effective and useful way of monitoring the rent-setting procedure, which will at least make it possible for the JCR to justify rent increases to the student body.

The tragic death of a Robinson undergraduate in a bicycle accident on Silver Street prompted another initiative, with the

JCR being involved in liaison with other colleges in an attempt to promote safety for students on the roads of Cambridge. We hope to make the town a safer place for all of us.

The JCR itself is very healthy, with Open Meeting attendances being the highest in Cambridge, and the budgeting of specific funds enabling the support of campaigns on welfare issues including AIDS awareness, equal opportunities, and security.

On a lighter note, College social life has continued to improve. Queens' Entertainments have gained a great reputation around Cambridge, enhanced by heavy investment in new technology and some phenomenal special effects at the much vaunted JCR Bops. A new CD jukebox in the Bar sets the place rocking even at lunch time, and the satellite TV in the JCR has proved to be extremely popular. New facilities are on their way: a food vending machine to combat the midnight munchies, and JCR bikes which can be borrowed to avoid those tiresome ten-minute walks into town. All in all, Queens' reputation, social as well as academic, is as strong as ever.

1994-95

President: Biplab Nandi *Secretary:* Andrew Brereton
Vice-President: Professor Weber
Junior Treasurer: Stuart Dyer
Fellows: Dr Jackson, Dr Hall
Graduates: Claire Valiér and Angus North

JCR Committee:

President: Biplab Nandi *Secretary:* Andrew Brereton
Steward: Joanna McAllister *Treasurer:* Stuart Dyer
Welfare Officer: Eamon McCrory
Entertainment: Michael Teall
External Officer: Tom White
Women's Officer: Sondhya Gupta
Publicity and Drain: Stephen Telfer
First Year Reps.: Kate Grange, Douglas Paton
Governing Body Observers: Gareth Branston, Robert Challen

The MCR

Queens' MCR has a fine reputation for both its hospitality and the liveliness of its members, and with this in mind the present committee has encouraged as wide a range of social activities as possible. The Long Vacation can be a time when the social calendar looks decidedly bare so we arranged a full round of barbecues, exchange formal halls, Long Vac formal halls in the Armitage Room, and cocktail parties. An MCR gentlemen's XI entertained us to some close cricket matches at Barton Road and we were able to enjoy a fine barbeque prepared by Keith the groundsman. The sporting activities of the MCR have also extended to challenging other MCRs to 'Laser Quest', and so far the team have been able to destroy the Johnians. In late September the first new graduate students arrived, and the carefully planned welcoming machine sprang into action. The MCR Contact Scheme was given a new lease of life with a tea party in New Hall (unfortunately one committee member didn't realise that this meant the buttry and not the women's college). The Graduate Tutors threw their ever popular barn dance later in the evening.

An MCR newsletter was launched under the suitably regal name of 'We Are Not Amused' to inform members of

forthcoming events and pass on news. The MCR 'Combination' was reintroduced and the first one saw the Graduate Tutors, Junior Bursar, and twenty graduate students relaxing over claret, port and cheese.

Old hands may remember the greenish chairs and sofas in the Woodville Room. The room is pleased to announce that it now boasts a bright and comfy set of furniture in shades of maroon and burgundy.

The Feasts are as popular as ever (particularly the white chocolate fudge cake and raspberry crème brûlée). The Woodville Feast featured a chanted second grace from the Treasurer (who is fortunately both a Classicist and a MagSoc member) and a hearty rendition of the toasts from the MCR President.

1994-95

President: Claire Valiér *Secretary:* Angus North
Treasurer: Rupert Thompson
Steward: Barry Flanigan *Women's Officer:* Clare Hayward
External Officer: Greg Ward *Room Steward:* Ed Holland
First Year Rep.: Mehul Khimasia
Ordinary Member: George Harpur



Owlstone Croft from the Garden.

Photo: Richard Prager

Owlstone Croft

Socially, Owlstone Croft has been going up in the world, the common room being host to several excellent MCR parties, most notably one at the start of the Michaelmas Term, whose success was almost certainly due to the disguising of the drinks machine with crêpe paper, the free punch, and the 3 a.m. finish time.

As for other entertainments, video evenings have proven popular, as have pool, table tennis, and Trivial Pursuits. The pool and table tennis championship unearthed some remarkable hidden talent, however the Owlstone football matches on Lammas Land revealed a remarkable lack of talent, but were good fun nonetheless. Food-based entertainment features prominently, including MCR formal halls, improved by a glass or two of sherry beforehand with Dr Spufford, international pot-luck dinners, the summer barbecue and the Wardens' Christmas dinner.

On the food front, we now have a chocolate machine in the common room to give sustenance during late night work sessions, and we have improved kitchen facilities: new cookers, more fridges, and the storage rooms have been converted into small dining areas where people can meet to eat.

In short, Owlstone continues to be a diverse multicultural community, a great place to live and study. We would

finally like to thank the Wardens, Len and Shirley, for their help and co-operation throughout the year, and for their valiant attempts to make Owlstone a nicer place to live.

1994-95

President: Steve Hewson *Treasurer:* Sue Jenner
Secretary: Jonathan Khang
B-Block Reps.: Munna Chaudhury, Marguerite Camillieri

The Queens'-Clare Overseas Educational Fund

The Queens'-Clare Overseas Educational Fund continues to donate money to educational projects in Southern Africa. Previously the Fund automatically collected £5 per term from each junior member, unless individuals stated that they did not wish to contribute; this system has been replaced by a scheme whereby students request to contribute £5 per term to the Fund. This has meant that the committee has had to work hard to raise awareness about the Fund among students of both Colleges, but the results have been pleasing.

With donations from both junior and senior members, the QCOEF has still been able to give £2,651 to Link Africa to provide a Project Worker who is currently upgrading science teachers in rural primary and secondary schools in South Africa. This Science Inset Project Worker is helping the teachers from 14 target schools to make educationally effective use of the schools' science kits and is regularly arranging popular workshops and seminars where teachers can share problems and experiences.

The other charities the Fund is currently supporting include the Tatwa-Maahe Educational Trust, a small enterprise helping schools in Kenya, which Dr Ruel of Clare helped to set up. The Fund has also given £4,000 to CamFed, a Cambridge-based charity which supports the primary and secondary education of girls from poor families in Zimbabwe. School fees have recently increased in Zimbabwe, so boys' schooling tends to be favoured over girls', since educated boys are more likely to find employment in the future. CamFed's work is vitally important because it forms a 'safety net' for girls who would otherwise drop out of school.

1994-95

Chair: Radha Ruparel
Queens' Committee Members: Dr Towle, Lara Allen, Nick Jankel-Elliott, Miranda Lea, Menaka Perera.

The Clubs and Societies

The E/FF Society

Three meetings of the E Society were held in the Lent Term. The speakers were Dr Keown on 'The Patient's Right to Know'; Mr Michael Petty, in charge of local collections, Cambridge City Library, on 'Old Cambridgeshire - Past and Present'; and Dr Richard Jennings, Director of Studies in the History and Philosophy of Science, on 'Honesty and Science'.

To this day, the Revd Henry Hart, who set up the 'D Society' over 50 years ago, refuses to reveal why he chose that particular name. Traditionally when a new Dean of Chapel 'succeeds' he takes over the Society, but changes its name, thus the 'D Society' became the 'E Society' in 1969

when Mr Hebblethwaite became Dean of Chapel. This Michaelmas Term it was re-christened the 'FF Society'.

The inaugural meeting of the 'FF Society' (the 432nd D/E/FF meeting) was held on Monday 17 October. The speaker was the Vice-Chancellor of the University, Professor Sir David Williams, Q.C., on 'Devolution, Northern Ireland, and the Maintenance of the Union'. Other speakers have been Dr Geoffrey Webber, a Fellow of Caius and our Director of Studies in Music, on 'Organs or orphanages? Conflict between music and religion in the German baroque', and Dr Thorne on 'Blood and Tissue Eosinophils - friends or foes?'

JONATHAN HOLMES

Computer Club

The Computer Club has continued over the last year to expand and attempt to maintain its own network called PoemNet. This provides access to the electronic outside world, the Internet, for students from their own rooms. The increasingly sophisticated facilities in the College computer room do not seem to have reduced demand for the 'black boxes', which allow students to connect their computers to our network.

The connection of yet more rooms in the Fisher Building has seen the network reach its physical limit, resulting in some rooms in Cripps Court being disconnected.

Thanks are due, once again, to Dr Walker for his continued support, without which our task would be impossible.

1994-95

President: Richard Parker *Secretary:* Marcus Beattie
Senior Treasurer: Dr Walker

Economics Society

Throughout 1994 the Economics Society experienced sustainable growth. Last year's Annual Dinner, attended by the eminent economist Lord Eatwell, was a great success, after which the new committee took over and began its sponsorship drive. After the quiet period we arranged a May Week garden party, kindly sponsored by British Airways.

Michaelmas has been a busy term for the Society. The committee aimed to add to the credibility of the Society by arranging some academic functions to complement the active social calendar. The first of these meetings was an interesting discussion with Paul Mills of the Treasury, sponsored by Price Waterhouse. The next event of this type is scheduled for the Lent Term when we are to welcome Robert Chote of *The Financial Times*. Queens' College Economics Society has gained the respect it deserves within College and we were pleased to share an enjoyable Christmas Dinner with the Lawyers and Medics. The term closed with a small drinks party, bottled beers provided by Bass.

The strength of the Society has been reinforced by an offer of full financial support from Arthur Andersen who, as official sponsors, are now helping with all the events. With this generous help, and interest created by the success of our activities, I am sure next year's committee places will be highly sought after; the future looks good.

1994-95

President: Steven Poulter *Treasurer:* Neil Coomber
Secretary: Ben Martin *Social Secretary:* Rhiannon Tucker

History Society

The History Society has continued to organise a blend of speaker meetings and social functions and to provide Queens' historians with good reason for studying their subject. The highlight of the year was undoubtedly the Society's Dinner at which the guest speaker was Professor Jonathan Riley-Smith, former Director of Studies and well-known historian of the Crusades, to be seen currently on our television screens. The speaker meetings have varied widely, in subject matter and frequency, this Lent Term sees the return of Professor Riley-Smith and a visit from the social anthropologist Alan Macfarlane. Perhaps the most successful innovation of recent years, however, is the Book Auction. This is an occasion at which a variety of historical works, mostly donated by Dr Bradshaw, are persuasively sold by student auctioneers to their fellow historians whose generosity has been previously lubricated by alcoholic means. This year we raised £80 for Oxfam's Rwanda appeal.

1994-95

President: Lucy Grig *Secretary:* Emma Wells
Publicity Secretary: Angus Gowland
Treasurer: Michael Bourne

Medical Society

A flurry of organisational activity over the summer months has provided the Medical Society with a full calendar of events for the academic year. Sister Mairi Hurrell, Dr Jimbo Jenner and Dr Rob Wilkinson have given highly successful talks this term. Next year, we look forward to welcoming



May Week in the Grove.

Photo: Jonathan Holmes

Professor Hudson of St Bart's, Dr Peter Abrahams, the University Clinical Anatomist, and Dr Yu Hong Zhang of the Manchester Chinese Medical Centre for speaker meetings.

As well as the May Week garden party, we joined the lawyers and economists for a Christmas dinner, followed by 'punch' in Old Hall. A curry night with Churchill medics was in a similar vein.

We have broadened our activities this year and are grateful for the sponsorship of the Medical Protection Society. In addition to the provision of Part II and clinical course information, Helen Anderson has managed to procure several textbooks from generous publishing houses.

1994-95

President: James Stevens *Treasurer:* Helen Anderson
Secretary: Claire Burrows *Vet. Rep.:* Louise White
2nd Year Rep.: Ben Homer

Queens' Bench

Queens' Bench has had a strong 1994 as the impetus apparent in the latter half of 1993 continued throughout the year, obvious in attempts to balance the social aspects of the society with more academic and career-orientated events.

Throughout the year there has been a series of speaker meetings by, for example, Jeremy Carver of Clifford Chance, Robert Chronnel on the Crown Prosecution Service, and George Staple on the role of the Serious Fraud Office. We were also fortunate enough to enjoy a presentation from city law firm Gouldens.

The year has not been all work though. The new committee was elected at the Annual Dinner at the end of the Lent Term. The dinner was a roaring success with a particularly amusing after-dinner speech by our guest-of-honour, Sir Anthony Scrivener QC.

Alongside such formal occasions the society has also been involved in both home and away formal halls with Downing, Sidney Sussex, and Emmanuel Colleges. The annual May Week Garden Party on the Erasmus Lawn was as well attended as usual.

Michaelmas Term saw the now traditional Freshers' Dinner to welcome new students, and a joint Christmas Dinner with the Economics and Medical Societies, proving that it is almost possible to overcome the restrictions on numbers in formal hall.

Sponsorship has been secured for the major events of 1995, to such an extent that an extra event has been added at the start of Lent Term, the aptly named Lent Term Dinner. Queens' Bench would therefore appear set for another active and rewarding year.

1994-95

President: Julie Stewart *Secretary:* Steve Whitbread
Treasurer: Neil Bisarya
Social Secretary: Rachel Kimberley
1st Yr Rep.: Karen Sloan *Grad. Rep.:* David Carson

Q.E.D.

The last academic year started with a worthwhile and interesting tour of Carlton television studios in London. This included visiting the headquarters and the technical facilities on the South Bank.

The Q.E.D. annual dinner in the Easter Term was as lively and enjoyable as ever. Entertainments included a live swing band and the announcement of the new committee.

This year trips to the Channel Tunnel, go-karting, Alton Towers and a formula one factory are planned. These should provide an interesting insight into a wide range of practical engineering concepts.

1994-95

President: Sasha Muir Secretary: Jessica Rowland
Vice-President: Peter de Sira Treasurer: Paddy Corr

Quintics

The Quintic Society is one of the most friendly and relaxed of the joint-college Maths societies which together act University-wide, independently of the Archimedean. Its original collection of five constituent colleges over four hundred meetings ago, hence its name, has now expanded to include others, among them Newnham, covering now much of south-west Cambridge.

Our main purpose is to present evening talks on aspects of mathematics and theoretical physics outside the normal scope of Tripos lectures. In the Lent Term, Dr S F Gull of the Cavendish Laboratory created excitement and controversy in a large audience when he described a revolutionary way to study vectors. Other meetings in the last year have included Dr E J Hinch on the applications of fractals to the study of sediments and discussions of logic and probability, one by Professor R R Weber. Questions from the floor are followed by coffee, biscuits and a chance to talk to the speaker on matters of mathematical or more general interest.

The committee meets frequently to consider matters as diverse as the Quintic filespace on Phoenix and the availability of whiteboards. The annual garden party, complete with strawberries and croquet hoops, was reinstated on Newnham lawns. Altogether the society has enjoyed a stimulating and fruitful year.

1994-95

President: Kerry Maunder Secretary: Steve Wilcox
Vice-President: Giles Thompson

Bats

Over the past year, Bats has developed a good reputation for encouraging more avant-garde productions, utilising to the full the excellent facilities of the Fitzpatrick Hall, and as a result we have attracted much interest and recruited many new members.

Our first production in the Lent Term was a promenade performance of *Dangerous Liaisons*, directed by a member of Queens', which was immensely successful. Sadly, the fourth week late show, a devised piece from a French touring company entitled *Je Suis*, proved to be rather less of a hit. Our seventh week production, *Jekyll and Hyde*, a boldly innovative piece, which used sound and light as much as text in an incredible attack on the senses to explore double standards in society, demonstrated Bats' willingness to give a forum for new writing in Cambridge. Only very loosely based around the famous Stevenson story, which unsuspecting punters were not to discover until after they had paid, it was very cunningly titled.



'*Much Ado about Nothing*' in Cloister Court. Photo: Duncan Grisby

To fund our more experimental and less obviously commercial productions, it is of course necessary for us to cash in on the Cambridge season of indulgence and frivolity that is May Week. This year we presented a spectacularly popular and joyously irreverent production of *Much Ado About Nothing*, for which Cloister Court was undeniably the perfect setting. Fortunately it was accompanied by glorious sunshine and so, our coffers replenished, an intrepid flock of Bats set off for the Edinburgh Fringe for a surprisingly successful run of Marlowe's *Dr Faustus*. Given that the average audience on the Fringe numbers five, we did extremely well with no fewer than thirty present each night.

Michaelmas Term brought us four stunning productions, three of them directed by Queens' members. In the fourth week, we presented *The Visit* by Friedrich Dürrenmatt, a cautionary tale of revenge and betrayal, distorted love and corruption, and *Greek* by Steven Berkoff, a blackly comic retelling of the Oedipus myth complete with a searing social critique of morally bankrupt contemporary Britain. Both these productions, with somewhat dim views on the human condition, were very popular and commercially successful. Our seventh week main show was the classic *Romeo and Juliet* which, as expected, lured in huge audiences, and the late show was a comedy musical about an unfortunate Romanian mistaken for a vampire, entitled *The Suckers*, written and directed by a student at Queens'.

As well as the productions themselves, we also held several workshops on aspects of theatre besides acting and directing. The annual workshop on lighting and sound was supplemented with one on stage management. Plans are also afoot to set up informal play reading sessions, to give

people a taste of what it is to act, to direct and simply to explore texts.

All in all it has been a rewarding year for Bats, who would not be able to produce such a wide range of drama, and juggle commercial and artistic considerations so successfully, without help from our current sponsors, Touche Ross accountants.

In 1988 Bats began an appeal to ex-Bats to purchase equipment for the new Fitzpatrick Hall. Approximately £10,000 has been raised, and, because the Hall is now very well equipped, ex-Bats have not been asked to renew covenants. The current members of Bats would like to thank their predecessors for their great generosity and recognise the contribution of the consequent excellent facilities of the Hall to the current success of the Society.

1994-95

President: Clareine Cronin *Senior Treasurer:* Dr Cebon
Junior Treasurer: Greg Wright
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Technical Director: Duncan Grisby
Publicity: Sarah Bedford *Secretary:* Karen Spenley
Executive Producer: Nicola Devey
Wardrobe Manager: Daniel Shurz
Entertainments: Phil Hassall

Chapel Choir

The Chapel Choir's year began before the start of full term in January with the production of our first CD in Chapel. Three days of intensive recording (interrupted only by lorries in Queens' Lane and imaginary aeroplanes) culminated in an eventful party and, four months later, in the arrival of 1,000 discs, which have been selling steadily ever since. The St Valentine's Concert this year was secular, and the audience, invited to bring a bottle to Old Hall and socialise after the concert, were treated to some slinky Cole Porter, Jerome Kern and ABBA arrangements!

The main event of the Lent Term was the Choir's participation in the MagSoc performance of the *St Matthew Passion*, which won the Choir high praise. The Easter Term passed in a blur of work as usual, but the Choir was on sparkling form in the May Week Concert, performing Britten's *5 Flower Songs*, Bach's *Singet den Herrn* and the Mozart *Requiem* with great panache.

In October we welcomed our new Junior Organ Scholar, Edward Barbieri, Ralph Woodward staying on as Senior Organ Scholar. The first concert of the year featured Debussy, Sumsion and Ralph's performing edition of Lalande's beautiful *De Profundis*. Much of this music was repeated two weeks later at a concert in Godmanchester. In November we were delighted to sing at the Commemoration of Benefactors in Great St Mary's. The St Cecilia Concert gave us the opportunity to benefit from the pianistic skills of Clare Selby, and included the world premiere of *Stigmata IV* by Rosemary Thorpe, mother of one of our sopranos, a haunting piece which moved the audience greatly.

The Carol Service was a great success, with the Choir's habitual good humour much in evidence and a tricky programme handled with flair. At the end of term the Choir contributed to the MagSoc Choral Concert by singing Vaughan Williams' *Serenade to Music* with orchestra in West Road. The final event of the year was a small choral singing excursion to the Hope Residential Home.

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Christian Union

We have seen much evidence of the working of God in the lives of members of the C.U. during the year. There are currently over 30 people regularly involved in our Prayer and Praise meetings and our Bible Study Groups. We have recently had the privilege of seeing two members of the College become Christians and join us. We have also seen many of our group continue to grow and develop in their relationship with God.

Our May Week party saw a good number gather in glorious sunshine for lunch on the patio outside the Chaplain's rooms. The new academic year saw an encouraging group of first years join us. We also hosted a multi-media evangelistic event presenting Jesus through film, slides and music. The year ended with 31 of us cramming into a small Suffolk cottage in Walpole for our annual houseparty, led by the Revd Liz Smyth, one of the Assistant Missioners for the forthcoming C.I.C.C.U. Mission.

1994-95

Colleges Representatives: Kathryn Clarke, David Sunman

Photography Society

This year the Photography Society has continued to improve its service by providing free chemicals to its members and reorganizing the darkroom. The Club is also exploring the

possibility of introducing colour processing facilities to the College.

The focal point of the 1993-94 year was the Photography Exhibition (the first ever?) that attracted about 80 entries from members of the College. This event, which was sponsored by the Greta Maxwell Fund for encouraging arts and crafts in Queens', took place in the Lent Term and was attended by about 150 people over a period of seven one-hour sessions. We intend to hold another exhibition in 1995. We are also planning to organise photography excursions to such venues as airshows, parades, and exhibitions.

1994-95

President: Jonathan Khang *Secretary:* Duncan Grisby
Treasurer: Dave Garfield

Queens' Films

After a slow start to the new year, with modest attendances at many performances, the beginning of the Easter Term brought with it a dramatic turnaround in the new Film Committee's fortunes. Films such as *True Romance* and *The Fugitive* proved hugely popular, and the sell-out showing of *Star Wars* took Queens' Films to unsurpassed levels of turnout. At the same time, Technical Director Marcus Beattie's installation of extra bass speakers under the seats truly enhanced the obliteration of the Evil Empire's Death Star.

The high point of the term, however, was the, now traditional, outdoor showing during May Week. The projection of *The Commitments* onto a large piece of bed linen suspended from the roof of the Erasmus Building proved very successful, the weather holding off just long enough to allow certain members of the audience to watch the film in comfort, thanks to their sofa and coffee table in the middle of Erasmus Lawn. A bar staffed with Tom Cruise wannabees also helped things along nicely.

The Michaelmas Term proceeded very smoothly as well, with one notable exception. A tense few days occurred when our film distribution company decided at the last moment that they were no longer able to supply a copy of *The Wrong Trousers*, thus putting our comedy double-bill in jeopardy. Luckily, Simon Birkenhead, our Film Selection Officer, was able to convince Aardman Animations to release to the club their only copy of the film, on high definition video. There were audible sighs of relief when the courier arrived with the video just in time for it to be screened as advertised!

Many thanks to all those whose hard work has helped maintain the club's reputation as one of the best in Cambridge.

1994-95

President: Mandy Ford *Secretary:* Chris Vryonides
Senior Treasurer: Dr Johnstone *Publicity:* Naomi Lyons
Junior Treasurer: Michael Brewer
Technical Director: Marcus Beattie
Asst. Technical Director: Phil Hassall
FOH Officer: Peter Allport
Film Selection: Simon Birkenhead

Queens' Rag

The first Queens' Rag event in a year of many proved to be one of the most popular. Jazz and Cocktails turned Old Hall into a relaxing café with waiters and waitresses, mellow blues and

cool Martinis. Thankfully the 1994/95 committee recognized its popularity and have already treated us to Jazz II.

The fancy dress hitchhike to Paris in February passed with a hitch. The ferry strike that weekend, due to French fishermen, left lots of miserable clowns stuck at the Channel ports! Everyone was back for Rag Week at the end of the Lent Term though, and most were in the Bar either eating pancakes for Rag (five as quickly as possible) or 'selling their bodies' in the Slave Auction or bidding for Graham Gooch's beer-stained England shirt at the Celebrity Auction.

Rag Week itself started with a win for Queens', and colour photo spreads in *Cambridge Evening News*, as the Mayor judged our *Jungle Book*-themed procession through Cambridge to be the best float. Mowgli, Baloo and friends were back a few days later when they appeared in Old Hall, this time poking fun at the 'bare necessities' of students in a wry look at college life. Events wound down into the Easter Term, but the Rag Feast was memorable - if only for its salty soup, cheap wine and huge raffle.

The committee would like to thank all the wonderful people who helped Rag and took us to second place in the colleges' fundraising league, behind a frighteningly competitive Trinity Hall. This competition between colleges, though light-hearted, is not the real driving force behind Rag. Rag is diversity and having fun - from ceilidhs to racing beds along Trumpington Street - and the finishing line is charity.

1994

Co-Presidents: Tom White, Biplab Nandi
Secretary: Gill Sellix
Treasurer: Shantha Shanmugalingam
Publicity: Mikey Hogg, Dave Garfield
Entertainments Officer: Mikey Teall

St Margaret Society

The St Margaret Society is now 110 years old, but it is still alive and kicking. The chorus of approximately two hundred people is made up of enthusiastic singers from across the University and Town. This year we had participants of all sorts, shapes, and sizes, ranging from the boys of St Faith's School through the newest fresher to our one faithful octogenarian. All these committed 'MagSocers' performed in our first choral concert of the year, Bach's *St Matthew Passion*. This performance required much singing stamina and endurance from all concerned, not least the chorus and the conductor who had to stand for almost three hours under the blazing lights of the West Road Concert Hall. However, lured on by the prospect of unlimited punch at the post-concert party, we all survived and succeeded in entertaining a full-house.

Throughout the year MagSoc provides opportunities for many musicians to perform in our series of lunchtime recitals. Timed to allow sustenance for both the stomach and the soul, these events aim to provide relaxation for tourist, student and Fellow alike. In November we were pleased to make our contribution to the Elgar Festival in Cambridge, in the shape of a recital of twentieth century oboe and piano music. Together with our programme of orchestral concerts and Freshers events, these recitals keep Queens' students supplied with every opportunity to play, sing, or listen to many different kinds of music.

The highlight of 1994 was our May Week concert. Held in the Chapel, the MagSoc orchestra joined with the Chapel Choir to perform Mozart's *Requiem* and music by Britten, Gluck and Debussy. A huge and appreciative audience enjoyed strawberries and cream and sparkling wine on Walnut Tree Lawn on a glorious June day.

Sadly, our last choral concert of this year, a performance of Haydn's *Creation* and Vaughan-Williams' *Serenade to Music*, was the swan-song for our conductor Ralph Woodward. He has conducted MagSoc for four years. During that time he has made his mark, both musically and socially. MagSoc committees, both past and present, are very grateful for his dedication, humour and unpredictability that made all our lives undeniably interesting.

MagSoc continues to maintain the facilities for playing, rehearsing and performing music at Queens'. To this end we are attempting to raise at least £5,000 in order to replace the grand piano in Old Hall. The present instrument has suffered from years of accidentally spilt drinks and overzealous players, and is currently nursing a cracked frame. The present committee have raised £3,000, and we hope to leave the full amount as a legacy to our successors.

As the largest student-run music society in Cambridge, MagSoc continues to be an asset to both the College and the University.

1994-95

President: Frances Harper *Treasurer:* Martin Rich
Secretary: Oliver Johnson *Senior Treasurer:* Dr Pountain

Women's Group

In order to celebrate the passing of exams the Women's Group enjoyed a delightful garden party with some of the women of St Catharine's, at which we discussed some of the considerations for women travelling alone or with other women, as well as drinking wine and eating cucumber sandwiches under the verdant canopy of the Grove.

Michaelmas Term saw the hugely enjoyable self-defence course when we were taught those techniques useful in escaping from an attack that do not require vast physical strength. Our thanks to the Women's Awareness and Self Protection Group for their part in this event. No Means No week provoked the usual debates and discussions about the ideas surrounding sexual behaviour. The unanimous passing of the motion "No should always be taken to mean no" at a JCR open meeting encourages one to believe that the message is getting through, in theory at least. During the last fortnight of this busy term we began formalising the Women's Group, which I hope will continue to strengthen as we move towards the main event of the Lent Term, International Women's Week.

1994-95

President: Sondhya Gupta

MAY BALL 1995

The Governing Body has given permission for a May Ball to be held in the College on
Tuesday 20th June 1995.

Old members are welcome to attend.
Anyone requiring an application form for tickets should write to:

**The Applications Secretary
May Ball Committee
Queens' College
Cambridge CB3 9ET**

Alternatively forms may be requested
by telephoning (01223) 335614

Queens' College Club

Committee

President: J.C. Polkinghorne, F.R.S. 1949
Secretary: A.N. Hayhurst 1957
Treasurer: T.H. Coaker 1970

Vice-Presidents: L.V. Chilton 1923
D.W. Bowett, C.B.E., Q.C. 1948
The Rt Hon. Sir Stephen Brown 1942
M.M. Scarr, G.M. 1933

<i>Until 1995</i>		<i>Until 1996</i>	
P.N. Blackaby	1946	D.W. Swinhoe-Standen	1947
B.F.F. Crane	1932	B.J.W. Winterbotham	1940
R. Hewitt	1956	D.M.A. Hook	1951
N. Taberner	1963	P.R. Trigg	1948

<i>Until 1997</i>		<i>Until 1998</i>	
E. Bertoya	1980	J.T.H. Pick	1946
H.R. Nye	1957	R. King	1940
N.K.S. Wills	1960	H.A. Pilley	1984
J.A.V. Richard	1947	J.W. Sutherland	1941

The Annual Meeting was held on Saturday, 18th June 1994. The Treasurer reported that 247 new members had joined. Over 200 people were present at the Dinner, at which John Sutherland (1941) proposed a toast to the College and the Club. In his reply the President reported on the past year in College. The next annual Club Dinners and Annual Meetings will be held on 24th June 1995 and 22nd June 1996.

Club Notice

At the last annual meeting of the Club, it was agreed to seek opinions (preferably sent in writing to Dr Hayhurst, Secretary of the Queens' College Club, Queens' College, Cambridge CB3 9ET) on the following: (a) would members of the Club like new events (e.g. dinners, cocktail parties, buffet lunches) organised at some convenient centre near where they live? and (b) in recent years spouses attending

the annual Club Weekend in College have dined together with spouses of the Fellows in the Armitage Room, whilst members of the Club dined in the New Hall. After dinner everyone has come together for further liquid refreshment in the Old Hall. Would members of the Club like this practice to continue or would they prefer spouses to attend the main Club Dinner in the New Hall? In the latter case members of the Club would most probably sit between their own spouse and someone else's.

Deaths

We regret to record the following deaths:

The Revd Canon J.A. Burness (1910).
J.A. Galletly, M.B., B.Ch., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H. (1919).
U Mying Thein, O.B.E., LL.B. (1920).
L.R. Bee (1921).
E.S. Hoare (1922).
B.L. Higgins (1924).
The Revd F.A. Casson (1925).
The Very Revd N.M. Kennaby (1925).

C.T. Ayre (1928).
The Rt Revd L.A. Brown (1928).
D.H. Darling (1928).
O.E. Thomas (1928).
J.A. Potter (1929).
D.H. Adeney, *Hon.D.D.(Wheaton)* (1930).
R.C. Latham, C.B.E., F.B.A. (1930).
The Revd W.G. Allison (1931).
R. Latham, Ph.D. (1933).
The Revd R.H.P. Orr (1933).
H.G. Wolskel, M.B.E. M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (1933).
J.W. Findlay, M.B.E., Ph.D. (1934).
R.M. Marsh (1934).
A.C. Reid, C.M.G., C.V.O. (1934).
R.C. Wordsworth (1934).
D. Herdman (1935).
P.StV. Tabbemer (1935) in 1987.
N.F. Hughes, T.D., Sc.O (1937).
D.W. Hall, M.B., B.Ch., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.,
M.R.C.G.P. (1939).

G.L. Hughes (1940).
A.J.C. Lyddon (1940).
His Honour Judge J.F. Kingham (1943).
D.I. Pearce (1943).
The Revd K. Herd (1946).
J.H.C. Lamb (1946L).
T. Bracewell, A.R.I.C.S. (1947).
J.McL. Hill (1947).
R.D. Poyser (1947).
E.A.G. Warlow (1947).
A.E. Isaacs (1948).
B.R. Brown (1950).
J.F. Epps (1951).
W.H. Griffiths (1951).
J.R. Hobbs (1954).
The Rt Revd J.G. Hughes, Ph.D.(Leeds) (1954).
L.D.P. Hobba (1955).
D.B. Rees (1955).
P.W.S. Rowland (1960).
F.N. Trotter (1967).
T.M. Quirke (1970).
T.D. Mulrey (1971).
P.W. Davies, Ph.D. (1973).
A.A. Scott (1978).
C. Bryers (1989).

We publish short summary obituaries in the Record of Queens' members who have died, where information is available to us.

The Revd Canon J.A. BURNESS (1910) aged 102½. John Burness, one

of our last remaining links with pre-1914 Queens', was surely our oldest member and perhaps the longest-lived Queensman of all time. The son of C.M.S. Missionaries, he came to Queens' from King's School, Ely, and then went on to Ridley Hall before ordination in 1914. After curacies at Liverpool and Derby, he went out to Canada as incumbent of St Andrew's Mission, Lake Saskatoon, returning to England in 1924. After a time in Suffolk, he was Vicar of St Paul's, Derby, until ill-health(!) prompted his return to Suffolk in 1929 as Rector of Helmingham, where he remained until his retirement in 1960 to Winesham, near Ipswich. There he continued regularly to conduct services until the summer of 1993. Burness was a man of deep faith and phlegmatic temperament with a capacity to make lasting impression. A talented artist and a great lover of wild life (he even invented a mousetrap to catch mice without hurting them!), he was also a keen gardener and bee-keeper - interests he maintained actively until the last months of his life.

U M. THEIN, OBE, LL.B. (1920) aged 90. U Myint Thein read Law at

Rangoon University and came to Queens' to continue his studies. Called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1925, he returned to Burma to hold legal posts, including membership of the Burma Legislative Council from 1935, until the outbreak of war. He remained undercover in Burma, thinly disguised as a gardener, during the Japanese occupation doing much to mitigate the hardships of British internees. After the war, he was Chief Judge of the Rangoon Civil Court until Burma's independence in 1948 when he became Ambassador to both Nationalist and Communist China and subsequently represented Burma at the United Nations. A judge of the Supreme Court in 1953, he held with distinction the post of Chief Justice from 1957 until his imprisonment in 1962 following his refusal to co-operate with the new military government. He remained in 'protective custody' until 1968. He lived quietly in Rangoon after his release and in spite of retirement and ill-health kept alive his interest in world affairs. A scholar, poet and wit, known to his friends as "Uncle Monty", U Myint Thein was a judge of rare insight and forbearance, a diplomat of skill and resource, and a man of courage, spirit and great generosity.



*The Fellows' Garden from the Cripps Building.
Photo: Simon Birkenhead*

E. S. HOARE (1922) aged 90. Stanley Hoare read a year each of Geography, Maths, and English, and in 1926 he returned to his old school, Dean Close, Cheltenham, as a member of staff. A modest, but immensely hard-working schoolmaster, he taught Maths and Geography there until his retirement in 1968, having been Housemaster, Second Master, and pillar of the Old Decanian Society. From the day of his arrival at the School, as a small boy in 1914, he did not miss a single Speech Day in 79 years and he did all in his power throughout his life to further and cherish the life of Dean Close School. A fine all-round sportsman and gymnast, he played cricket for Gloucestershire for a short time, but his greatest sporting achievements were on the hockey field. He captained the Blues' side and gained his first cap for England while still at Queens'. He won 35 caps, was captain of the national side and managed the Great Britain team at the 1956 Olympics.

The Revd F.A. CASSON (1925) aged 88 and **the Revd D.T. CASSON** (1930) aged 81 (whose death was reported in last year's *Record*) were born in Uganda of missionary parents and returned to Britain as boys in 1914.

Frank read Classics at Queens', trained at Ridley Hall and was ordained in 1930. He worked in parishes in St Helens, Liverpool, Alperton, Chelmsford, Sheffield and Eastbourne. On retiring in 1969, he continued to live in Eastbourne. A much loved parish priest, Frank enjoyed working with young people, and was in his element reading ghost stories in the dormitory or cooking sausages on a sailing cruise.

Donald read history at Queens' and was ordained in 1936 after training in Oxford. He then interspersed spells of working with the Dinka in Sudan, the white settlers in Kenya, and the forces in Germany, with work in parishes in Warwickshire, Sussex and Hampshire. Incurably gregarious, Donald was particularly successful as an evangelist among young people. In retirement in Oxfordshire, he pursued his bee-keeping hobby and regularly visited Africa for which he retained a deep love. A crocodile which he shot in Sudan is preserved in the British Museum.

Four other Cassons have since followed these two brothers to Queens: David, 1961; James, 1961; Stephen, 1962; John, 1990.

D.H. DARLING (1928) aged 83. Donald Darling came to Queens' from Oswestry Grammar School and went on to Southampton Teacher Training College before a life-time of service almost wholly devoted to the preparation of native African children of secondary school age for higher education. His career began as assistant science master at St

Peter's School, Rosettenville (Johannesburg) and he was its Headmaster from 1941 until the school closed in 1956. After a short spell in Natal as a teacher in a school for white children, he was an assistant master at St Augustine's Mission Secondary School at Penhalonga (Zimbabwe) from 1957 to 1975 when he retired and returned to England. Both native schools were run by the Community of the Resurrection and Darling shared the life of the brethren in Africa for over 40 years.

J.A. POTTER (1929) aged 83. John Potter read Natural Sciences (Chemistry) and, after graduating, took an advanced business study course before appointment in 1933 as chemist and technical manager in a plastics moulding factory. From 1935 he was with Wolsey Ltd., Leicester, as chief chemist and technical manager of their textile dyeing and processing plant and in 1949 was invited to join CIBA Clayton Ltd., Manchester, as manager of their Technical Service and Development Laboratories. He later became the firm's commercial manager for the North-West area, a position he continued to hold for the Dyestuffs Division of CIBA-GEIGY after the merger and until his retirement in 1971. Subsequently he was on the U.K. Staff of Allied Chemical International with responsibility for speciality chemicals and colours. Until 1993 he continued to work as a consultant with Buffalo Color Corporation, U.S.A. A Fellow of the Society of Dyers and Colourists, Potter lectured, and published papers, on textile processing and dyestuff chemistry and was a City and Guilds examiner in hosiery dyeing and finishing.

D.H. ADENEY (1930) aged 82. David Adeney came up from Monkton Combe to read History and Theology and, whilst at Queens', served as national missionary secretary for the Inter-Varsity Fellowship of England. From 1934, apart from one break, he was a missionary (working with Inter-Varsity China from 1946) in China until that country closed to missionaries. During the war, whilst forced to remain in America pending available transport back to China, Adeney was the first missionary secretary for Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship USA/Canada and he also worked for that organisation after leaving China in 1950. From 1956 he was associate general secretary of the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students for Asia until 1968 when he established in Singapore the Discipleship Training Centre for Christian leaders. There he taught and served as Dean until 1976. In 'retirement' he was Professor of Mission at New College, Berkeley, California and was awarded an honorary DD by Wheaton College (Illinois) in 1981. One of the great missionary statesmen of the Far East, his passionate love for China and Chinese people was reflected in the many articles and in the several books he wrote. A biography entitled *Reaching for the Goal* was published in 1993.

R.C. LATHAM, CBE, FBA (1930) aged 82. From Wolstanton Grammar School, Staffordshire, Robert Clifford Latham won a College scholarship to Queens'. Brilliant firsts in both parts of the History Tripos were followed by a lectureship at King's College, London. From 1947 Latham held a readership at the Royal Holloway College and in 1955, during a tour as visiting associate professor at Los Angeles, he began a long association with the University of California at which William Matthews held a chair. Matthews, the acknowledged expert on 17th-century shorthand, was the linguist and transcriber, and Latham the historian and interpreter in the co-editorship which led to the publication of the definitive edition of *The Diary of Samuel Pepys* which began to appear in 1970, twenty years after Latham had begun the monumental task of interpreting Pepys, and which can be regarded as an outstanding example of English historical scholarship. Latham accepted the chair of history at Toronto University in 1968 but, following the death of his first wife, he resigned in 1969 to return to England and an appointment in 1970 as a Research Fellow at Magdalene, followed by a full Fellowship and the Pepys Librarianship there in 1972. He was awarded the CBE in 1973 and elected a Fellow of the British Academy in 1982. The acclaim he received for his work on the *Diary* and for his other works, including the general editorship of the *Catalogue of the Pepys Diary at Magdalene College, Cambridge*, eclipsed his distinguished career as a teacher, though many of pupils went on to make significant contributions in the field of 17th-century history.

The Revd R.H.P. ORR (1933) aged 83. Reggie Orr came to Queens' from Bradfield College and, after graduating, went on to Bishop's College, Cheshunt, to train for the priesthood. As an undergraduate he received much encouragement towards his chosen vocation from Charlie Wood, the then Dean of Chapel. In his leisure time Reggie was a member of the Pickwick Club. Following ordination, he was appointed assistant curate in Hessele and Huntingdon, Yorkshire. In 1943 he moved to Surrey as curate in Banstead then served successively as Vicar of All Saints, Onslow Village, for 16 years, Vicar of Frimley Green from 1963, and Rector of Peper Harow and Shackleford until his retirement in 1979.



The Entrance to the Fellows' Garden from Walnut Tree Court.
Photo: Lorna Sergeant

Thereafter, he was licensed to officiate in the Diocese of Guildford and his services were in constant demand. Reggie Orr was an orthodox Anglican in the central tradition, like many a Queensman before him.

R.N. MARSH (1934). Ronald Marsh came up to Queens' as the senior Classical Scholar from Tonbridge and took a full part in College life, playing cricket, rugby, hockey and squash. He enjoyed the social life and was a member of the Kangaroos. He was accepted for the Malayan Civil Service and in due course suffered, like so many others, unspeakable hardships as a prisoner in Japanese hands. After repatriation and when fit enough, he volunteered to carry on in Malaysia. On retirement, he taught at King's School, Canterbury. A brave and patriotic public servant, Ronald was very loyal to Queens' and attended the annual South-West Dinner and the various special occasions at Queens' - most recently in June 1994. His contemporaries will long remember his benign and civilised approach to all matters.

A.C. REID CMG, CVO (1934) aged 79. Archie Reid, who held a foundation scholarship at Fettes and read Classics and Archaeology and Anthropology at Queens', had a long and distinguished career in the Colonial Service. He began work in the district administration of Fiji in 1938, becoming successively Commissioner of the Northern and Southern Division, and held appointments as acting-Headmaster of Queen Victoria School (for a short time) and as Director of Education and Clerk to the Councils. For four years from 1959, Reid was Secretary for Fijian Affairs, a particularly prestigious post in Fijian eyes. Fluent in Fijian and endowed with boundless patience and sympathy he won trust and affection and became the confidant of the leading Fijian chiefs and later also of members of the Royal Family of Tonga, where he served initially as Agent and Consul and eventually as Deputy High Commissioner. Reid never lost his love for his native Scotland and had a home there at one time, but his heart was in the Pacific and he retired to Sydney to enable him to continue his researches into the inter-relationship of the islands. He contributed articles to the *Journal of Pacific History* and wrote a notable study of the Eastern States of Fiji entitled *Tovata*.

D.W. HALL, M.B., B.Chir, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.G.P. (1939) aged 75. Derek Hall came from Marlborough College to Queens', read Medicine and gained a squash half-blue. After graduation he completed his medical studies at the Middlesex Hospital and in 1945 enlisted in the R.N.V.R. as Medical Officer with the 2nd Submarine Flotilla. He entered General Practice in Dover in 1947 and then, in 1970, took up an appointment as Regional, later Senior, Medical Officer with the Department of Health. On retirement from full-time employment in 1981, he returned to Kent where he continued to work on a part-time basis for the D.P.H. until 1989 and was also Coordinator for the Canterbury Council of Health and Healing. Hall published a number of papers relating to the medical profession and, whilst in Dover, was a J.P., Rotarian and Church Warden.

J.F. KINGHAM (1943) aged 69. James Kingham was at school at Wycliffe College and served from 1943-47 as a pilot in the Fleet Air Arm. He read history and law at Queens', was called to the Bar by Gray's Inn in 1951 and soon had a busy practice as a barrister in London and the Midlands. He served for four years on the Bar Council. He was deputy Recorder of Nottingham from 1966, then a Recorder, and from 1973 a Circuit Judge, mainly in Luton Crown and County Courts. He retired at 65 and started teaching at Cambridge and for several businesses, lecturing and supervising. He taught criminal and family law for Queens' and other colleges in which his practical understanding and human insights were much appreciated. He also served on the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board and the Parole Board. A deeply committed Christian, he was much involved in the Scout movement, especially with the Venture Scouts, and was a very competent all-round instructor. He was a Deputy Lieutenant of Hertfordshire.

The Revd K. HERD (1946) aged 71. Kenneth Herd came to Queens' direct from military service to read Theology. After graduating in 1947, he joined the staff of Reigate Grammar School where he taught Religious Education and was officer in charge of the Air Training Corps. For ten years from 1952 he was an instructor in the Royal Army Education Corps and served, on occasion, in the Middle East and Western Germany. Emigrating to New Zealand in 1962, he taught at a Friends' School for a time, before being appointed Head of the Languages Department at Wanganui Boys' College in 1964 - the same year in which he was made a deacon. In the following year, Herd was one of the first 'working clergy' in the Diocese of Wellington to be ordained Priest. From 1969 to 1986 he was successively vicar of Taita, of St Peter's, Gonville, and finally of Pohangina. He served for 20 years as Chaplain of the Returned Services Association.

A.E. ISAACS (1948). Alan Isaacs was Senior Partner of a large firm of solicitors in the City of London. He was a prolific script and lyric writer for Bats and Footlight revues when at Queens' and a notable Dogberry in the 1949 May Week production of *Much Ado About Nothing*.

T. BRACEWELL FRICS, FAAV (1949) aged 70. Tom Bracewell served as a captain in the R.A.S.C. in North Africa and Europe and, on demobilisation, came to Queens' to read Estate Management (Rural). He then started a long and successful career in Land Agency and became a much respected surveyor and valuer, with his own practice near Preston. Bracewell was also involved in farming and other business activities and was a member of the Holcombe Harriers of which he was one-time Master. He was a very active member of the Cambridge University Land Society and served as its President. He maintained his interest in the Society in spite of a serious hunting accident in 1987 and showed exemplary courage and fortitude as he faced life confined to a wheelchair.

J.R. HOBBS (1954). John Hobbs came to Queens' to read Law after his National Service during which he was commissioned in the King's African Rifles and served in the Mau Mau campaign. He graduated in 1957 and was called to the Bar by Gray's Inn in 1958. Following a short time with the Prudential, he joined the Colonial Service as Crown Counsel in the Attorney General's Office in Kenya where he was prominent in the successful prosecution of Tom Mboya's murderer. During his service as Attorney General in the Gilbert and Ellice Islands, he was responsible for instructing John Vinelotte, who had been his supervisor at Queens', in the taxing case of *Tito v Waddell* relating to the phosphate deposits on Ocean Island. This was heard over 13 months and Megarry's decision ran to more than 200 pages. Hobbs went on to be Parliamentary Draughtsman in Botswana and in 1985 returned to develop a busy common law practice in the Temple. He was an accomplished swimmer and a keen chess player.

The Rt Revd Dr J.G. HUGHES (1954), Bishop of Kensington aged 59. John Hughes, a former pupil of Wednesbury High School for Boys, read History and Theology at Queens' and went on to train at Cuddesdon College. He was ordained in 1960 to a title in Brighthouse before his appointment as vicar of St John's, Clifton, in 1963. There he took a practical interest in education and from 1970 acted as Director of Education for the Wakefield Diocese. In the same year he joined the staff of the then Advisory Council for the Church's Ministry concerned with the selection and training of priests and in 1973 became its Senior Selection Secretary. He was Warden of St Michael's College, Llandaff, from 1976, until his appointment as Bishop of Kensington in 1987, but also found time to lecture in church history at the University of Wales where he was Dean of the University School of Theology from 1984. He was on the Governing Body of the Church in Wales for ten years and also served on the Provincial Doctrine Commission. He was awarded his Ph.D. by Leeds University in 1979 for his work on Richard Hooker, the great 16th century apologist for Anglicanism, whose vision of an ideal Church of England John in some sense shared - ordered, pastoral, embracing all - making it hard for him to identify with some contemporary issues. A fine and conscientious leader with a respect for the views of others, possessed of a wealth of pastoral gifts of compassion and warm understanding, Bishop John felt keenly the anguish he caused when his conscience compelled him to take an unpopular line.

P.W.S. ROWLAND (1960) aged 52. Peter Rowland was born in Malaya and went to school there until the threat of bandits forced a return to England where he eventually entered Repton. Holidays were often spent in Kenya where his step-father was Acting Governor and the Mau Mau were then active. A keen and capable sportsman, he inaugurated the London Old Reptonians' Football side. After reading Economics and Law at Queens', Rowland worked in the legal department of Harvey's of Bristol before becoming Assistant Company Secretary with Smith Industries. He became Company Secretary of United Dominions Trust, and subsequently of the merged U.D.T. and T.S.B. He was at the centre of the amalgamation of the several individual T.S.B. groups into a single large company and its successful flotation. The huge attendance at his funeral and memorial service bore testimony to the affection and respect in which he was held.

F.N. TROTTER (1967) aged 46. Frederick Trotter came to Queens' from Huddersfield New College to read Natural Sciences and specialised in Biochemistry. He played bridge and chess for the College. After leaving Cambridge, 'Rick' became a computer consultant and set up his own company. He travelled extensively and worked for some time in Germany. He continued to enjoy walking and climbing and added deep-sea diving and yoga to these activities. A devoted family man, he was actively involved as a Church member and School Governor in the village life of Tadlow in Berkshire. He was killed in a climbing accident in Snowdonia.

T.M. QUIRKE (1970) aged 42. Tom Quirke graduated in History at Queens' and then obtained an M.A. at Keele University before training as a journalist with the Mirror Group. He chose to work locally, mainly in his native Birmingham, rather than at national level and won many awards including designation as regional reporter of the year. At its institution, he actively sought his appointment to the staff of *The Sunday Correspondent* and, according to its editor, served the paper with energy and enthusiasm throughout its life, contributing a stream of wide-ranging ideas and investing all his ebullient personality in its promotion. After its closure, he again based himself on Birmingham and wrote much for the national press. Unconventional and unforgettable, Quirke was an engaging and entertaining companion with just a touch of eccentricity. He possessed all the attributes of an outstanding journalist and cared deeply about the quality of his writing which ranged from reports on major news items and on his own serious investigations to lighter, amusing articles. Latterly he was involved in the establishment of a Buddhist project on Holy Island. Quirke died of a stroke whilst jogging.

A.A. SCOTT (1978) aged 34. An old Etonian, Alex Scott took a degree in Theology and Land Economy at Queens' in 1981. His interest in horses was paramount and while riding in point-to-points he was attached to the stable of Peter Calvert (Ripon). Later, as an assistant to two other eminent trainers - H.T. Jones (Newmarket) and then Major R. Hern (West Ilsley) - he was schooled to require the very highest standards and to insist on attention to the smallest details in the running of a yard. His impressive thoroughness earned him the strong support of his mentors when he began training in his own right at the Oak Stables at Newmarket in 1989. In his first season Scott proved their confidence justified and within two years had laid the foundation of an international reputation. It was widely held that he had an exceptionally bright future in British racing when, tragically, he was shot to death at his stables.

C. BRYERS (1989) aged 23. Christopher Bryers was educated at Winstanley Sixth Form College, Wigan, and read Economics at Queens'. He died from injuries sustained in a car accident. He was training for a career as a chartered accountant. A friendly, open person of great good humour, Chris was the life and soul of the University Angling Club and rowed in the College 2nd Boat.

The College Appeals

Throughout its history the College has relied upon donations, benefactions and bequests to provide the means for substantial improvements to the facilities it can offer and to assist in the restoration of its historic fabric.

The Development Appeal provides support for capital improvement projects and has achieved much since it was launched in the early 1970s. It has furnished and equipped the Cripps Court development (£434,000); refurbished the Old Kitchens and Pump Court (£450,000); and most recently it has provided the means for the reconstruction of the War Memorial Library (£470,000). The next objective for this fund is to support the cost of computer networking student rooms - a project designed to keep us at the forefront of teaching and research.

The Heritage Appeal has as its purpose to provide support for the restoration and renovation of our historic buildings. It has provided the principal finance for the refurbishment of the President's Lodge (£350,000); the re-roofing of Essex building (£62,000); the repair of the Chapel organ (£12,000); and the cleaning and repair of the Silver Street elevation of Old Court (£120,000). The current balance of this fund stands at £190,000, but our objectives far exceed this figure. The most immediate needs are the retiling of the Old Hall floor (£150,000); the repainting of the Sun Dial (£25,000); and the cleaning and repair of other elevations of Old Court (£350,000).

The main objectives of the College Appeals have been described above. However it is quite possible for donations to be earmarked for other college purposes if the donor requests it. If any Old Member would like further information about Gift Aid, bequests, or the tax implications of donations to the College, please write to the Senior Bursar.

ANDY COSH



The Clock Tower from Room C2.

Photo: Brian Callingham

Norman Hughes Memorial Fund

Mrs Pamela Hughes has made a most generous donation to the College in memory of her husband, the late Dr Norman Hughes. It is felt that many friends and former pupils will also wish to remember Norman in this way. The Fund will be used to support activities in Queens' with which Dr Hughes was particularly associated. The details will depend upon the total sum raised. Contributions should be sent to the President and cheques made payable to Queens' College.

JOHN POLKINGHORNE

College Invitation Dinners for Old Members

Since 1985 the Governing Body has organised a series of dinners which are held in College, normally in September, and have proved popular with Old Members. On each occasion the members of a selected group of years are invited. The dinners are separate from the Queens' Club functions and are intended to be complementary to the annual Club Weekends held in June which are open to all years.

On 24th September 1994, the College held its Ninth Invitation Dinner to which all members of the 1949-55 entry were invited; 153 attended.

The Tenth Dinner will be for members of the matriculation years 1956-62 and is planned for 23rd September 1995. In June all those for whom we have current addresses will receive invitations.

TOM COAKER

Regional Dinners

Queens' Members in the North-West

The forty-fourth Annual Dinner was held at the Park Royal Hotel, Stretton, near Warrington, on Friday, 6th May 1994. The Revd Bryant F F Crane presided and sixteen members of the College were present. Our guest-of-honour was Dr Brian Callingham, who replied to the toast of the College proposed by Dudley Warne.

The next Dinner will be on Friday, 5th May 1995 at Broomcroft Hall, Didsbury, Manchester, the residence of the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Manchester, Professor Martin Harris, himself a Queensman and an Honorary Fellow of the College. Our guest-of-honour will be Dr Coaker and we hope that members of the College living in the area will make an effort to attend. Please address any enquiries to the Revd B F F Crane, 6 Ridgfields, Biddulph Moor, Stoke-on-Trent, ST8 7JE; tel: 01782 513752.

Queens' Members in the South-West

The twenty-second Annual Dinner took place at the County Hotel, Taunton on Friday, April 22nd 1994, twenty-three members attending. After a gap of five years we were pleased to welcome again the President as our guest-of-honour. As is usual he updated us on College news and, in subsequent discussion, answered a wide variety of questions.

It had been anticipated that the 1995 Dinner would again be held at the County Hotel, but it has closed. After considering other possibilities we thought that Taunton was probably the best in the South-West and expect the dinner to be at the Forte Posthouse there on Friday, April 21st 1995. It is situated close to Junction 25 of the M5.

Enquiries should be addressed to: E W Chanter, Malsover, Calverleigh, Tiverton, Devon EX16 8BA; tel: 01884 253315.

Queens' Members in the West Midlands

The ninth Annual Dinner was held on Friday, 3rd February 1995 at the Edgbaston Golf Club, Birmingham. Sir Stephen Brown presided and there were 38 diners including spouses and guests.

The guest-of-honour was Dr Christopher Pountain, Director of Studies in Modern Languages, who was accompanied by his wife, Mary. He spoke very thoughtfully and entertainingly about the personalities, activities and successes of the College and its members. We were proud to hear that, as we were dining, a member of Queens' was about to become the first Briton to walk in space.

The next dinner will be held at Edgbaston on Friday, 2nd February 1996. Those wishing to attend, who were not circulated last year, should telephone or write to Philip Cox (0121 440 0278) 9 Sir Harry's Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B15 2UY.

Boar's Head Dining Club

The eighth Annual Dinner of the Boar's Head Dining Club was held in Old Hall on the evening of Saturday, 9th April 1994. Dr Thorne was guest-of-honour and responded to a speech of welcome by Peter Brass before proposing a toast to Queens' College Boat Club. The Captain of Boats, Lucy Cogswell, replied outlining the activities of the Boat Club during the previous year and her plans for the remainder of her year of office.

The Dowson Silver Sculls were presented to John Sergeant for outstanding services to the Boat Club, and the tub pair races for the Williams Cup were won by Chris Dalley and John Webb, steered by Lucy Cogswell.

Queens' Members in Victoria, Australia

The fifth Dinner for Queens' members in Victoria was held on 11th November 1994, five years to the day since the first in 1989 and at the same location, Ormond College in the University of Melbourne. Thirty-one members and partners were present. We lacked a guest-of-honour from Cambridge this time. The convener therefore offered some perfunctory remarks. They failed, however, to detract from the good will and conviviality of the occasion.

Any Fellow would be most welcome to join us at our 1995 dinner, Queens' foremost event in the southern hemisphere, and we would fix a date to suit.

Prospective guests should contact Alan Reddrop, 50 Golden Way, Bulleen, Victoria 3105, tel.: (613) 850 7603.

Queens' Members in the Cambridge Area

The Annual Dinner for Queens' members in the Cambridge area was held on 27th April 1994 in the Old Kitchens following drinks in the Old SCR.

Forty-seven members and guests attended. Dr Robin Walker, Junior Bursar, was guest-of-honour, and in his speech gave us an informative account of the College BES scheme. The President and Mrs Polkinghorne were present.

We are sad to report that one of our most regular attenders, Norman Parker, who matriculated in 1919, is no longer with us.

The 1995 Dinner will be held in College on Wednesday, 26th April at 7.30 for 8 pm, when the guest-of-honour will be the Senior Tutor, Dr Karen Thorne. The 1996 dinner is planned for Wednesday, 24th April.

Enquiries would be welcomed by the organiser - John Sutherland, 69 Stow Road, Stow-cum-Quy, Cambridge CB5 9AD; tel: 01223 812394.

Queens' Members in Shropshire and Mid-Wales

A lunch is planned for the Shropshire and Mid-Wales area on Saturday 29th April, in Shrewsbury. This is the second event in our area, the first one was organised by Roland Bream a few years ago. The guests-of-honour will be the President and Mrs Polkinghorne.

Enquiries would be welcomed by the organiser: Dr P L Boardman, 3 Mayfield Park, Shrewsbury SY2 6PD; tel: 01743 232768.

Queens' Members in Washington, D.C.

The first occasional Dinner took place at the Metropolitan Club in Washington on Wednesday, 1st February 1995. Stephen C. Price presided over this gathering of twenty-four guests who came from Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania. The President, the Revd Dr Polkinghorne, was the guest-of-honour, and he spoke eloquently about the state of the College and the University.



The Head Porter, Mr Jim Coulter.

Photo: Andrew Gee

Notices

Mailing of the Record to Old Members Abroad

For economy reasons *the Record* is now sent abroad by surface mail, but the College will be pleased to send it by Airmail to any member who wishes so to receive it. It is not required or expected that any reason be given, but such a request should reach either the Editor, or the Keeper of the Records, by 1st March of the year concerned.

Old Members Visiting the College

For some years now the College has controlled the influx of visitors within acceptable limits between March and October by making a charge for admission (currently 70p) in return for an attractive descriptive pamphlet. A small shop is also open in the Porters' Lodge at the Old Main Gate.

The control scheme is not intended in any way to inhibit entry of Old Members who are customarily welcomed by the Head Porter, Mr Coulter, and his staff at the Main Porters' Lodge in the Round by the Riverside Gate in Silver Street and where the pamphlet may also be purchased at a concessionary rate. Old Members wishing to enter by the Old Main Gate during the control period are asked to identify themselves to the Gate Staff on duty and may introduce guests with them by either route. However, any Member wishing to bring a party of more than six people should please write in advance to the Visitors' Liaison Officer at the College to arrange a suitable time for the visit.

