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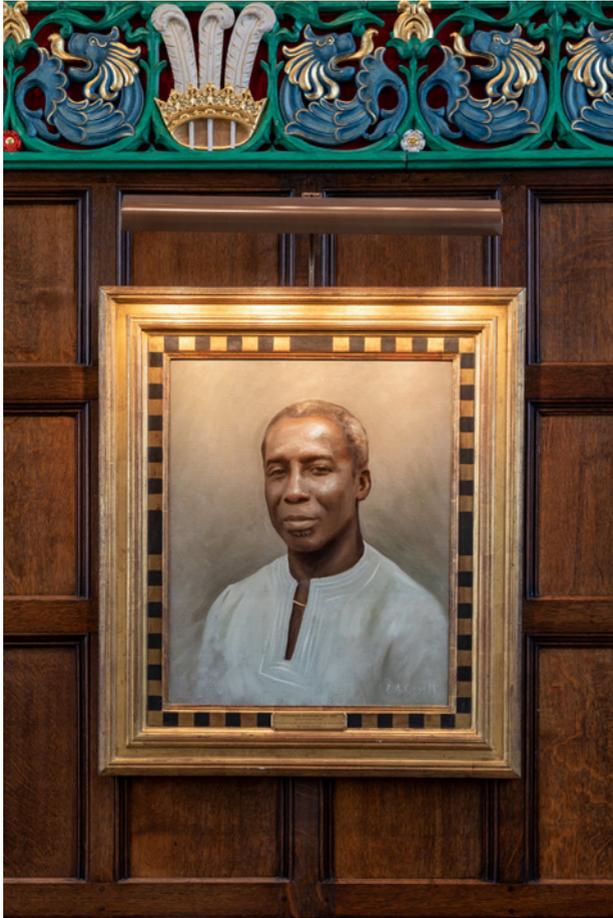
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Portrait of Oriensis and Honorary Fellow Rex Nettleford, painted by Jamie Coreth

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**Timothy Elliott**, MA (PhD Southampton); FMedSci; Professorial Fellow in Immuno-oncology (from January 2021)



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## NEW SENIOR MEMBERS JOINING ORIEL IN 2021-22

**Cécile Bishop**, MSt (MA Po Paris; PhD KCL); Fellow and Tutor in Francophone Post-Colonial Literatures and Cultures

**Margaret Lynne Jones**, MA, FCA, FGIA; Treasurer and Bursar

## PROVOST'S NOTES

There's a sense of déjà vu as I write at the end of another Trinity term during which examinations mainly took place online, while awaiting A Level results that will once again be based on teacher predicted grades following the cancellation of exams. There's no doubt that it has been another challenging year for our students. However, unlike last year when many of these developments came as a surprise, we have had a lot more time to prepare and finesse our processes, leading to a smoother experience for students and applicants. We have managed two out of three terms with the majority of our students living in College, and although life for our residents has not been normal, we have provided one of the best college experiences in Oxford thanks to the hard work of all our staff. Feedback from our students has been positive, and we encouraged them to stay for 9th and 10th week of Trinity term this year to make the most of their Oriel experience as things began to open up again.

We belatedly received the Norrington Table results for the 2019-20 academic year and were placed ninth out of thirty colleges. Although we have not yet been able to celebrate with our 2020 graduands, we were able to put on our own Oriel Matriculation ceremony for our Freshers. This creative event took place in the University Church in October last year after the University event was cancelled. I know that this was appreciated by our incoming students. I am so pleased that our staff have had the imagination to find new ways of



Socially-distanced Oriel Matriculation ceremony held in the University Church

doing things to ensure that students have not missed out on these important milestones. This year our undergraduates performed well again, with Physics, English and Medical Science being particular stand-outs. In all, there were thirty-four Firsts and forty-six 2:1s among the ninety-two finalists to complete their studies at the end of this challenging year. Many of our graduate students have not been resident in Oxford, while others have faced long periods away from their families, unable to return to their home countries. They too have shown great tenacity, with thirty-one students completing their DPhils and fifty-one graduating Masters students. I am incredibly proud of all that our students have managed to achieve during another year punctuated by lockdowns and restrictions. They are such a tight-knit group, made more so in many ways by enforced periods of lockdown, and they have done an admirable job of supporting one another this year.

Although many extracurricular activities were paused during the worst of the pandemic, our students made up for lost time when restrictions began to lift in Trinity. Outdoor pursuits have definitely been the order of the day, and our mixed netball team has flourished, finishing the year top of the league after an unbeaten run. We also had success in the first ever 'Summer Torpids' event, in which our Men's First VIII retained their Headship after more than a calendar year without any racing on the Isis. At the end of the year, Jasper Dix and Louis Jackson were part of the OURFC squad that achieved an emphatic win over the Light Blues in the Varsity match, with Louis also being named as OURFC Men's Captain for 2021-22. There was success also for Erin Robinson, the first female Captain of the combined OUAFC, with both the Men's and Women's squads victorious in their Varsity matches. Women's Officer Ellie Greaves organised two socially-distanced Women's Dinners which took place in the Champneys Room, and which were enjoyed by all who attended. I have to say that for me, and for many others in our community, the highlight of the year was sitting down to the first formal dinner in our beautifully renovated Hall, which was unveiled midway through Trinity term. To gather once again in this wonderful space was a true delight, and so special for many of our Freshers as it was their first taste of this quintessentially Oriel experience. We look forward to much more of this next year!

Our academic members have been busy. We welcomed Tim Elliott, the new Kidani Professor of Immuno-Oncology, to the Fellowship in January. In April we appointed Cécile Bishop, currently based at NYU, as our new Fellow in Francophone Post-Colonial Literatures and Cultures, and we look forward to her arrival in the new academic year. Yadvinder Malhi, Jackson Senior Research Fellow in Biodiversity and Conservation, was announced as President-Elect of the British Ecological Society, which followed on from the news of the CBE he was awarded in the Queen's Birthday Honours in October 2020. Lynne Cox, Fellow in Biochemistry, continues to make an impact with her highly topical research into healthy ageing, and she gave evidence on this to the House of Lords Science and Technology Select



**The Victorious Women's Varsity Football Team, Captained by Erin Robinson**

Committee this year. Teresa Morgan, Nancy Bissell Turpin Fellow and Tutor in Ancient History, has been elected as an International Honorary Member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. We were very pleased to welcome the University's Vice Chancellor Louise Richardson to Oriel in the early summer, where she signed a multi-year partnership, with Swiss bank Lombard Odier, aimed at fostering sustainable finance and investment research, with a particular focus on climate change, circular economy and nature. Under this partnership, Supernumerary Fellow Ben Caldecott was appointed as the first Lombard Odier Associate Professor and Senior Research Fellow of Sustainable Finance.

In terms of the Fellowship, Andrew Boothroyd hands the role of Vice Provost back to Mike Spivey, who returns from sabbatical in the new academic year. I would like to thank Andrew for stepping back into the role this year, when there has been so much to do. There are some big changes to the Fellowship taking place over the summer. Sean Power, Fellow and Director of Development, leaves Oriel at the end of September after just over ten years in the role. Sean is making a big change in his life and will move to London to begin his training to become a Catholic priest. Sean has had a huge impact during his time at Oriel, not just in terms of fundraising but also in his contributions to wider College life, acting as Co-Steward of the Common Room and Dean of Degrees for many years. Under Sean's leadership, the Development and Alumni Engagement team has gone from strength to strength, and we are all hugely grateful for everything that he has achieved during his tenure – he will be greatly missed, but we all wish him the best of luck for the next stage of his life and hope he will come back and visit often.

Also leaving Oriel at the end of the summer is our Treasurer of over sixteen years, Wilf Stephenson. Many of you will have met Wilf at College events over the years, especially those who regularly attend Boat Club gatherings, and will be familiar with his dedication to Oriel, in spite of his time spent as an undergraduate at ‘the other place’. Under his stewardship the College endowment has grown to almost £100 million, and Wilf has played a key part in the modernisation of many of the College’s processes, as well as the successful management of Oriel’s properties and investments. The Treasurer’s role is incredibly complex, and the word ‘varied’ probably wouldn’t be sufficient to cover the myriad responsibilities that fall under Wilf’s remit. On behalf of the whole of the College community, I would like express our deep gratitude to Wilf for all that he has contributed during his time here, and to wish him and his family all the best for the future. Succeeding Wilf as Treasurer and Bursar will be Margaret Jones, who will be Oriel’s first female Treasurer and one of only a handful of female Bursars in the University. Margaret, who read Law at Pembroke College, has a wealth of experience and was most recently CEO of Cyber Security Challenge UK, whose work is focused on nurturing and driving diverse talent into the cyber security industry. Before that, Margaret was Director of Corporate Services and Governance at the Royal Botanic Garden in Sydney. We look forward to getting to know Margaret when she arrives to take up her new post in time for the start of Michaelmas term.

In April this year we were saddened to hear of the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, who had last visited Oriel with Her Majesty the Queen, our Visitor, in 2013. During the period of mourning before the funeral, a Book of Condolence was set up in the Chapel for College members to sign. Our thoughts and condolences are with the Queen and the rest of the Royal Family as they navigate this loss. Earlier in the year, in January, we heard the very sad news of the death of Orielenis and Honorary Fellow Professor Thomas Symons (1951). Despite the geographical distance involved, with Tom being based in Canada, he was a great friend and supporter of the College. The fund he established has over the years provided wonderful support in particular for the MCR, including the refurbishment of the MCR Common Room to create a welcoming and comfortable space for our graduate community to come together. He will be greatly missed.

As you will all be aware, the independent Commission of Inquiry into Cecil Rhodes and related issues completed its work in late Spring. The final report of the Commission contained a large number of recommendations to help us move forward with our equality, diversity and inclusion work, and to assist us in contextualising the College’s relationship with Cecil Rhodes. The Governing Body voted to adopt the vast majority of these recommendations, and work has already begun to move these forward. Contrary to many press reports, the removal of the Rhodes statue was not one of the recommendations made by the Commission. Although the majority of Commission

members were in favour of relocating the statue of Rhodes, they felt that this was a decision for the College's Governing Body alone, as the removal process would pose significant legislative and regulatory challenges. Governing Body reiterated their wish to relocate the Rhodes statue, but decided not to begin that process and to instead focus time and resources on taking forward the report's recommendations, which they hope will help us to make a big impact on the lives of College members, both current and prospective. To this end, in Trinity term we appointed our first Tutor for Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) from the Fellowship, Dr David Maw. David is leading a small College Task Force who, supported by a larger advisory group, are aiming to make speedy progress with the actions announced by the College in May. I know that this remains a difficult issue for many, but please be assured that we are taking this work very seriously, and are determined to make rapid, meaningful progress.

We have made great strides in student support this year, launching several new initiatives aimed at providing prospective applicants, especially those from backgrounds currently underrepresented at Oxford, with opportunities for financial support. In the Spring we announced the launch of the Yalda Hakim Scholarship, which will provide full funding for a female postgraduate student from Afghanistan to study at the University. Of course, since we announced the scholarship the situation in Afghanistan has worsened considerably. We now hope to urgently expand this programme to offer more young women the opportunity to continue their education in Oxford. We hope that we will be able to welcome the first scholar in the near future. We have also put in a bid to support the Black Academic Futures programme currently being rolled out by the University. As part of the scheme, we intend to offer a fully-funded place for a Black or Mixed-Black UK-based graduate student to complete their DPhil at Oriel. One of the goals of Black Academic Futures is to support talented Black and Mixed-Black students in their path to a potential academic career. We are waiting to hear when we will be able to welcome our first student, but hope to move forward with this soon. Of course, all of this would not be possible without the support of alumni and friends of the College, and I am grateful to everybody who has donated to Oriel this year. Your generosity really can and does change lives, and gives our students the best possible chance for success.

Reflecting on the events of this year, I know that we could not have weathered it half as well without the combined efforts of our dedicated staff. Late in the summer, a 'Family Fun Day' was held for staff and their families at Bartlemas to thank them for their commitment over the last year and more. It was a wonderful opportunity to bring our community back together after a long separation, with some people having been furloughed or working from home for long periods, while others had to continue to come into College to do their work. Everyone deserves praise for the way they have handled

all that has happened this year, but I would like to send particular thanks once again to our Domestic Team, led by Domestic Bursar, Steven Marshall, and his Deputy, Helen Kay. This includes the team in the Lodge, our Scouts and our Kitchen and Hall teams. Thanks also go to our wonderful Welfare Team, led by our Senior Dean Juliane Kerkhecker, who have held our community together throughout the pandemic, ensuring the safety and wellbeing of our students. Without these combined efforts, our students would not have had much of an Oriel experience at all, and we are grateful for all that they have managed to achieve while also keeping College members safe.

For all of us it has been another unpredictable year, full of twists and turns and highs and lows. I am hugely encouraged by all that we have achieved this year, and especially proud of the resilience shown by our students and staff. There are likely to be more bumps in the road next year, with the pandemic continuing to have an impact on all of our lives. But as we move towards the start of a new year, I am hopeful that we will see some more elements of our normal lives returning. Enjoyable though our online events have been, I am looking forward to welcoming Orielenes into College once again, and to a drastic reduction in my Zoom usage! Here's to a brighter and better year for all of us.

Floreat Oriel!

*Neil Mendoza*



The Alumni Garden Party in August was the first in-person event for over a year

## TREASURER'S NOTES

Looking out of my office window as I write my final set of notes for the *Oriel Record* I see a beautiful, but very quiet, College. There are a few visiting students from a summer school using our teaching rooms and an occasional member of staff passes through the Quad. But this is the second Long Vacation when the College is, as some Fellows may wish, almost closed and we have little or no summer school or conference business. Nevertheless, on my way to lunch today I met members of the Development Office team who were busy preparing for the deferred alumni garden party and feeling upbeat about the gaudies and other events planned for September.

I will be handing over my responsibilities with very mixed feelings. I have loved being part of this wonderful College and it has been a privilege to join a long line of Treasurers. There are few people who can count Saint John Henry Newman and John Keble amongst their predecessors! I have also made many friends amongst the whole College community – students, staff, Fellows and many alumni among them. I hope I will not lose touch with them. On re-reading Ralph Evans's splendid chapter in the College history, I am reminded that there is a long history of differing views between Fellows and Treasurers. There is a report of physical violence on at least one occasion! I'm pleased to say that I have never been forced to resort to this but there are inevitable challenges in a collective organisation where one member is charged with protecting the assets and managing the financial health of an institution where employed trustees seek limited resources, whether for their academic endeavours or for the area of College life for which they take special responsibility. Added to this, in recent times, is an ever-increasing regulatory and legal burden which makes the structure of College governance look increasingly anachronistic.

Behind the scenes it has been a busy but far from usual year. Our long serving Head Chef, Steve Morris, left us late in 2020 and I thank him for his dedicated work for the College. Many staff have worked almost exclusively from home but many have not been able to enjoy this option. Our catering team and hospitality team led by our Head Butler, Asefay Aberaha, and Acting Head Chef, Maurice Cap, have looked after everyone magnificently throughout the year, implementing temporary arrangements at short notice and coping with staff rotating on and off furlough for lengthy periods. During Michaelmas and Hilary terms, Second Quad was filled with a large marquee to provide a simplified takeaway catering service as we took advantage of the pandemic restrictions to bring forward restoration and refurbishment of the Hall. Our original plans put this at the end of the whole 'East Range' project, the works that began with the Chapel in 2014 and cover all of the buildings on the east sides of First and Second Quads. In April we received planning and listed building consent for the final phase – the revised scheme for a new kitchen, servery and a linking 'garden room'. This project has been with us for at least fifteen years, so almost the whole of my period of office as Treasurer. I am delighted that



**The Hall has been restored to its former glory following the recent renovation**

we finally have a scheme that is fully supported by the Governing Body with much of the funding in place so work can start in 2022.

Mention of the last fifteen years brings me to reflect on what has been achieved since I arrived in 2005, sixteen years ago. Much has changed but, as with much of Oxford, much remains the same. I was thirty-second on the list when I was admitted to the fellowship. This included three new colleagues admitted at the same ceremony. We are now forty-six.

There have been considerable challenges and some successes along the way. The financial governance structure implemented in the first year or so of my tenure has in many ways stood the test of time well. It has enabled the College to draw on even more of the expertise of Orielenes and other external advisers willing to give their time and experience to help us. I thank all of those who I have worked with for their support. However, meetings inevitably take up a great deal of a Treasurer's time. I have attended over a thousand formal College and University meetings. This includes over 160 meetings of the Governing Body. Every meeting requires preparation, follow-up, action and recording for posterity.

Oriel's investment portfolio has grown from a net value of under £35 million to over £90 million (after the recent refinancing). These funds have provided over £30 million to support the College's academic mission and we have spent £18 million on capital projects.

The contribution from our investments to the annual operating budget has risen from £1m to £2.8m. Whilst a Treasurer's role is often to say no, I have been very pleased to be able to say yes to many things we would not have considered when I arrived; but cost

pressures continue relentlessly, whether from inflation, regulatory burdens (who thought of GDPR in 2005?), student welfare provision, legal action or a pension deficit. So we continue to operate in a world where the fees, rents and other income we receive from College members fall well short of the funds need to run a modern college with Grade I listed buildings.

Nevertheless, with our stronger endowment and reserves, the College is in a better position than ever to pursue its academic mission. Management of the property portfolio has been a key part of this success. The investment portfolio in South London has given exceptional returns in recent years, with a combination of local knowledge and dedicated management by our local agent, Bells, adding to the performance. In March we acquired the property in Jeune Street adjoining the James Mellon Hall and David Patterson House annexe. This was an exceptional opportunity to add to our strategic holdings in Oxford, with the immediate aim of developing the site of a former garage premises to provide additional accommodation for graduate students. The property also includes an historic cinema, the Ultimate (formerly Penultimate) Picture Palace – which will have fond memories for many Orielenses – and a pub, the Big Society (formerly the Elm Tree). Both will be held as investment properties for the foreseeable future. In May the College issued a bond for fifty years to refinance existing debt and provide a significant proportion of funds needed to complete the East Range project and develop the garage site.

When I was appointed in 2005 I was asked to manage all non-academic staff, all support and administrative operations and to safeguard and grow the ‘estates’. This would have been impossible without the dedicated support and hard work of a large number of people. When I arrived I had the advantage of the knowledge of members of the Governing Body who went back to the 1960s and themselves had known those who arrived in the 1930s, if not earlier. I also had the help of Mary Porter, who covered the periods of office of five previous Treasurers. I well remember a question arising about the chancel of the University Church, for which the College has responsibility. The file containing all the papers relating to the fire in 1946 that destroyed the chancel roof was on my desk within five minutes!

Handling chancel liabilities is one of those perhaps unexpected parts of a Treasurer’s responsibilities but one I have much enjoyed. I recently visited Aberford in Yorkshire, a parish linked to the College since its acquisition by Adam de Brome in 1325, and was very pleased to find the church in excellent order. The College made an appropriate contribution to reroofing the building in 2010, so I hope this won’t trouble my successor.

In 2019 I preached the sermon for Commemoration of Benefactors on George Moody and other recent legators. As I said then, assisting with the administration of the estates of Orielenses who made substantial benefactions to the College in their wills was an

unexpected responsibility but a great privilege. This is continuing work – I have recently corresponded with a publisher about granting rights to one of a former fellow's books to a Chinese publisher and also provided advice to a member of the Adam de Brome Society on managing her property.

Returning to the last year, I want to thank all of the College's staff for their endeavours in difficult circumstances. The Domestic Office, led by Steven Marshall, has done a magnificent job, making the arrangements for students to live in separate households, implementing temporary catering arrangements, providing supplies to those forced to isolate, arranging quarantine for senior and junior members arriving from overseas and maintaining operational security and health and safety.

The maintenance team, led by Jim Brown and Daniel Hurn, have kept our buildings safe and secure throughout the pandemic: maintenance cannot be done remotely! Jim managed the complexities of the Hall refurbishment with great efficiency, coping with planning delays and extra works uncovered as the project progressed to deliver a wonderful result.

Our IT team, now led by Wikus Smit, made an invaluable contribution to the success of the year. Often the unseen heroes, they enabled remote working, Teams and Zoom meetings and on-line teaching with hardly a hiccup whilst continuing to improve our resilience and IT security. Simon Mortimore, our Joint Head of IT (shared with Merton and Corpus Christi colleges), left us in September to take up a senior role running IT for the NHS and local authority in Herefordshire. We wish him well.

The last year has inevitably created extra challenges for our Human Resources team, led by Sheila Moore. The task of putting staff on furlough created a great deal of additional work, whilst her normal workload has continued undiminished, with a number of staff departures and recruitments. Sheila has also focused on staff well-being and introduced a mental health strategy.

The finance team in the Bursary, led by Oliver Sladen, has continued to provide excellent financial control and ensured that the most important payment run of all – the payroll – has been continued throughout the year. As in other departments, remote working has presented some challenges but the team responded magnificently and continued to make improvements, particularly in our budget process.

Over the last year-and-a-half I have enjoyed the invaluable support of Kristina Masih, the Treasurer's Assistant. We have benefited in these particularly difficult and unusual times from Kristina's experience in Oxford colleges and her calm efficiency. I thank her and all of those who have supported me in the office over the years.

Throughout my time at Oriel my wife Johanna has been a great source of support and has herself embraced many aspects of College life, on some occasions lending her

professional expertise to publications or projects. I would like to thank her for all that she has contributed.

Finally, it was good to be able to join a Bump Supper at the end of seventh week of Trinity Term to celebrate Oriel's retention of the Headship of Torpids, which was run during the week as an alternative to Eights. With the cancellation of Eights for the second year in a row, our Men's VIII continued to hold both titles. However, participation, particularly amongst novices, was inevitably very limited so particular efforts will be needed over the coming years to sustain Oriel's position. I hope to be able to offer some assistance as one of my retirement activities.

It has been an honour and privilege to serve the College for the last sixteen years. I hope I have built on the endeavours of my illustrious predecessors and made a worthy contribution to sustaining our great institution for the future.

Floreat Oriel!

*Wilf Stephenson*  
*Treasurer*



Wilf Stephenson and his wife Johanna at his Retirement Lunch in Hall

## DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S NOTES

These are my tenth and final Notes for the *Oriel Record*, and I write them as I am preparing to leave the College after ten years as Development Director.

When I first arrived at Oriel the College was raising about £2 million a year, about half of which came from gifts people had left in their will. Since 2011 we have raised just over £40 million, of which £12 million has come from wills. While the cost of Development has increased and the size of the team has grown, the return on investment has remained at about fifteen percent (i.e. 15p in each pound given supports the cost of the office). These costs do not just relate to fundraising, but include events, publications, the *Oriel Record*, Gaudies, etc. We are one of the most cost-effective Development Offices in the University.

Events have always been a major part of the alumni work at Oriel. We have kept about the same number of events overall, though have worked hard to have events that are attractive to as wide a range of alumni as possible. We carefully monitor attendance, and wherever possible we try to improve the things we have, rather than replace; having a guest speaker at the annual London Dinner, and a live band at the Garden Party, for example.

The college endowment has grown from about £40 million in 2011 to almost £100 million today, including c£25 million added from philanthropy. It seems like a lot of money, even at a three percent draw down, but this is essential to maintain a balanced budget in the College. This money effectively subsidises the tutorial system at a time when fees are capped at £9,250 a year (of which the College only receives about half). It is an unsustainable position and either the cap will have to increase or go, philanthropy will have to increase, or the system of tutorials will be replaced with lectures and seminars (as happens in other universities). If you value the tutorial system and want to preserve it for the next generation, please consider giving money to the endowment.

Each year we measure the percentage of Orielenes who donate to the College. As the number of alumni increases each year this does not make for a very helpful metric, but generally the number is between 800 and 1,000 Orielenes, out of c7,000 total (though to my regret we've never hit the 1,000 mark). Some colleges seem to do much better, with over thirty percent giving year on year, but simply raising money has always been the most important metric at Oriel!

This past year has certainly been an eventful one, and for the second time in five years Oriel has faced extreme pressure over the tangible and intangible legacy of Cecil Rhodes. When I arrived at Oriel it is fair to say that Rhodes was a very peripheral figure to the life of the College; few people really knew about his historical connection to Oriel and virtually no-one knew that there was a statue of him on the building his legacy paid for. Today the statue, in particular, has become incredibly important to all of us because of the largely negative impact it has had on the life of the College, in 2015-16, and again in 2020-21.

This issue has divided our community, those here at Oriel and our alumni. For many, possibly a majority, this is a simple matter. The statue of Rhodes must absolutely come down, or it must absolutely stay up. One of the most interesting comments in the final report of the Independent Commission was that the same arguments can be utilised to draw opposing conclusions on the fate of the statue, revealing the difficulty (and at times absurdity) of the situation Oriel has found itself in. In light of this I am particularly grateful to those alumni who understand that, in fact, this is far from a simple matter and the College has found itself in an almost impossible situation.

Fundraising remains an essential part of the work of our Office, and has a real impact on the life of the College. This year has seen enormous generosity from Orielenses and friends of the College. £5.3 million has been raised in total in new gifts and pledges to Oriel, including £30,000 in legacy gifts. Funds this year have come from 781 individual donors, with twenty-three giving over £10,000 to the College. Those who donate £20,000 or more to the College over their lifetime are admitted to membership of the Raleigh Society; those who give over £100,000 are admitted to the Provost's Court. There are currently 170 members of the Raleigh Society.

Legacies continue to provide an important source of funds for Oriel. All those who formally pledge a legacy to the College are invited to join the Adam de Brome Society, with currently 273 known pledges.

In 2012 the 1326 Society was established to encourage regular giving to the College. Full Members give £1,326 a year while Young Members give £132.60 a year. Membership for this year stands at 132.

This has been another extremely successful year for Oriel Development, both in terms of funds raised and interaction between Orielenses of all generations, made all the more special given the difficult circumstances we have all be living under since March last year.

I have spent much of the last ten years working with Orielenses who have found themselves transformed by their time and experiences at the College, and wish to show their gratitude by, among other things, giving financial support. That is the primary, possibly singular, motivation for why people give money to Oriel. I now find myself as someone else whose life has been transformed by Oriel College. As I prepare to leave I wish to express my sincere personal gratitude to those who have helped form my experiences and life here, particularly those who are no longer with us.

Floreat Oriel!

*Sean Power*

*Fellow and Director of Development & Alumni Engagement*

## CHAPLAIN'S NOTES

**A**LEPH. *Quomodo sedet sola civitas plena populo.* Had you turned right out of the gate for a midday stroll and negotiated the tumbleweed on the High Street, you might easily have had Radcliffe Square to yourself. Only solitary worshippers on their way to an 8am Sunday communion usually see the city so quiet. In Michaelmas students took up a cloistered existence in household groups organised around staircases and makeshift kitchens. It was a matter of faith not sight that Oriel really had so many students in residence, so seldom did one encounter any out and about in the quads. The Provost presided over a series of socially-distanced Oriel matriculation ceremonies in St Mary's in which new members signed the Provost's book on the tomb of Adam de Brome. Whereas first and second years usually live cheek by jowl in College and know each other well, the separation of households has noticeably hindered relationships between as well as within year groups. Indeed the cohesion of the community has suffered from the pandemic at every level.

BETH. *Plorans ploravit in nocte.* Reassuring freshers who worry they 'have no friends' is typical of Michaelmas but not normally of Trinity, when they were only beginning to be able to mix more freely. So too novice rowers were more in evidence on the Isis than in any Trinity before; I noticed partly because 'welfare walks' had to take place outdoors on laps around Christ Church Meadow. In the absence of sports and bops, opportunities for students to let off steam have been few and far between. The stresses of a confined social circle or, in the case of some conscientious students, of a chosen isolation, have given rise to more extreme mental health difficulties. Through an unprecedented year of welfare challenges I have been impressed by the dedication of the Junior Deans, and by students supporting each other, both in and out of term.

GHIMEL. *Migravit Iuda propter afflictionem.* An evocative Act of Remembrance saw the Provost, JCR and MCR Presidents and Head Bible Clerk standing several paces apart on the lawn in Third Quad to observe the minute's silence, with students looking on from their windows. The University's suspension of the residency requirement meant that only a minority of students returned after Christmas. Most worked from home, and tutorials involved numerous video calls across multiple nations and time zones; the Senior Tutor found himself stranded in Argentina for several weeks; the Senior Dean, unable to commute from Switzerland, has nonetheless been remarkably effective in making her presence felt in College; the Choir tour to Rome had to be postponed – again. On one of my few excursions outside the city I helped to appoint a new incumbent to the Oriel living of Bath St Saviour's with Swainswick and Wooley, the origin of the Swainswick sword displayed in Hall. It has been suggested that a book on *Three Fifteenth Century Provosts* would be a worthy project for the septcentenary and that I should consider writing it.

DALETH. *Viae Sion lugent, eo quod non sint qui veniant ad solemnitatem.* Candlemas this year was celebrated in subdued fashion by the Provost, three Fellows and enough students to illumine the Chapel. In spite of fewer residents to attend services, worship has continued with a determination characteristic of Oriel and with singers perched in the gallery. In November we temporarily introduced a Sunday morning service because parish churches were closed. Our discussion group studied the Epistle to the Romans and John's Gospel. We were able to hold two confirmation services, and the need to locate an old service register to certify a baptism led me to telephone my predecessor David Brown, who had inadvertently buried it at the bottom of a trunk when he left for Durham in 1990. Trinity began with a commemoration of His Late Royal Highness the Prince Philip, with prayers being read out by a number of students. His visit to the College in 2013 was recalled by many with great warmth.

HE. *Parvuli eius ducti sunt captivi ante faciem tribulantis.* The College, and the Chapel in particular, will feel the loss of Wilf Stephenson on his retirement, and of Sean Power who is leaving to train for the priesthood. The renovation of the Hall, in which everything and nothing has changed, in large part testifies to their dedication to the Oriel community for over a decade. Having survived the pandemic with mercifully few cases, students now face the challenge of rebuilding and handing on traditions that the Freshers barely glimpsed at the end of their third term, when there was hushed speculation about the permissibility of walking over the tables. These things which we value and remember fondly about Oriel are neither unbreakable nor ultimate, 'for here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come.'

Floreat Oriel!

*The Revd Dr Robert Wainwright  
Chaplain*

## CHAPEL SERVICES

On 21st October 2020, Ryan Blank (2017) and Jung Kian Ng (2017) received Holy Baptism at the hands of the Rt Revd Jonathan Goodall, Bishop of Ebbsfleet, who also confirmed Ryan Blank, Alexander Fels, Lauren Morry and Jung Kian Ng.

On 29th January 2021, Ebony Moody (2016) received Holy Baptism at the hands of the Chaplain.

On 6th March 2021, Angus Moir received conditional Holy Baptism at the hands of the Chaplain.

On 25th April 2021, a Commemoration Service was held for His Late Royal Highness the Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh.

On 28th April 2021, Hans Decker (2016), Brendan Harris (2010), Samuel Henry and Josh Scott (2020) were confirmed by the Rt Revd Dr Steven Croft, Lord Bishop of Oxford.

On 9th June 2021, Michael Molano received conditional Holy Baptism at the hands of the Chaplain.

On 19th June 2021, Stefanie Bourne was married to George Margesson (2005), with the Chaplain officiating.

On 30th June 2021, a funeral service was held for Linda Auton, conducted by the Chaplain.

On 25th July 2021, Johanna Hockmann (2011) was married to Alasdair Cameron (2012), with the Chaplain officiating.

On 7th August 2021, Rose Shuttleworth (2010) was married to Cameron Griffiths (2010), with the Chaplain officiating.

On 4th September 2021, Teresa Bejan was married to Peter Coldham, with the Chaplain officiating.

# PREACHERS AT EVENSONG

## Michaelmas Term 2020

11th October	The Chaplain, <i>Affirmation</i>
18th October	The Revd Alistair Tressider, <i>Forgiveness</i>
25th October	Prof Yadvinder Mahli, <i>Gilbert White</i> (Commemoration of Benefactors)
1st November	Dr William Wood, <i>Caught up to Paradise</i>
8th November	The Chaplain, <i>Brave New World</i>
15th November	The Chaplain, <i>The Great and the Glorious</i>
22nd November	Ms Gillian Hamnett, <i>Encouragement</i>
29th November	College Carol Service

## Hilary Term 2021

17th January	The Chaplain, <i>Of Christian Love or Charity</i>
24th January	The Chaplain, <i>An Exhortation Against the Fear of Death</i>
29th January	The Chaplain, <i>Feast of Candlemas</i>
31st January	The Chaplain, <i>The Knowledge of Holy Scripture</i>
7th February	The Chaplain, <i>An Exhortation to Obedience</i>
14th February	The Chaplain, <i>Of Christian Love or Charity II</i>
21st February	The Chaplain, <i>Against Strife and Contention</i>
28th February	The Chaplain, <i>Of the True and Lively Faith</i>
7th March	The Chaplain, <i>Of Good Works</i>

## Trinity Term 2021

25th April	The Chaplain, <i>Commemoration of His Late Royal Highness the Prince Philip</i>
2nd May	The Revd Jane Chaffey, <i>The Damascus Road</i>
9th May	The Revd Canon Prof Nigel Biggar, <i>A Christian Odyssey</i>
16th May	Dr Brendan Harris, <i>The Word is Near</i>
23rd May	Mr Philip Keen, <i>The Road to Emmaus</i>
30th May	The Chaplain, <i>Rebuilding</i>
6th June	The Revd Dr Will Lamb, <i>Strangers on the Road</i>
13th June	The Chaplain, <i>The Longest Journey</i>

## JUNIOR COMMON ROOM

This year, common room members have been scattered across the globe, some living in Oxford, others learning online from their homes: if ever there was a year that had the potential to threaten Oriel's community spirit, this one was certainly it.

Yet, the JCR has prevailed – Freshers have been welcomed, exam-takers have triumphed, friendships have been made and maintained two metres apart. The year has, no doubt, been challenging, but the JCR has endeavoured to savour great moments of university life, no matter how atypical.

October saw the jubilant return of many students to the College, from which most had been absent since March 2020. The various restrictions on social gatherings presented a challenge, to be sure, but failed to dampen the spirited Freshers' Week we enjoyed (even when bad weather *literally* dampened outdoor events!). There could have been no better way to commemorate the Freshers' arrival than with the Matriculation ceremony so wonderfully organised by the College, which added the distinct formality essential to any Oxford student's first term.

Michaelmas was a peculiar mix of in-and-out-of-lockdowns, but a term full of joyous moments nonetheless. The Bar, with its outdoor marquee extension, played host to some lively evenings, in anticipation of its imminent closure come Oxford's new Tier 3 status, which were very cheerfully attended. Students were especially pleased to attend the Christmas Carol Concerts in the Chapel at Oxmas time, with the lights and Christmas trees displayed around College and in the common room, making for a very festive end to the term.

After a mostly online Hilary term, Trinity saw the majority of us return to the College once again, and it was truly a happy occasion. The Bar, limited to table service for most of the term, was again at the centre of the JCR's social activities, with costumes, cocktails, and questionable karaoke! Trinity term also saw the resumption of Oriel's sporting success, as I am sure the *Record* reflects in detail. Congratulations must be given to all the JCR members who participated and contributed to our sports teams, whether Head of the River, top of the league, or surviving in division four! The return of the Hall after renovations was keenly anticipated and did not disappoint. Numerous Formal Hall celebrations and an elegant garden party marked the end of a very special term.

The JCR committee has tackled unprecedented challenges this year, and I am grateful to all for their efforts. Particular thanks go to our Welfare reps and Equalities Committee, for ensuring students' wellbeing was made a priority in difficult times; also to our ENTZ reps, for organising as seamless a Freshers' Week as we could have hoped for, as well as a string of safe and successful events in Trinity term. And, of course, to our

Food rep (and his entourage), who never ceased to keep spirits high with comical and excellently produced videos depicting the latest goings-on in the tuck shop.

Gradually, we are inducting members into the new JCR committee, and I have every confidence that they will be magnificent representatives. I wish them excellence in their endeavours.

As I look towards next year, I am filled with optimism. The dark clouds of this virus are beginning to clear and I think we can be hopeful for a time that begins to resemble normality. In the terms to come, many of us will be eager to play catch-up on the times that we have missed: there are many wonderful memories to be forged with each other, and a great many things to achieve. The future looks bright for the Junior Common Room.

*Harry Edwards*

*JCR President 2020-2021*



Socially-distanced fun in the snow

## MIDDLE COMMON ROOM

Unprecedented is an oft-overused word in this day and age, but this year I think it is for once appropriate. It has been an unsettling and stressful year for many members of our common room, and yet in these times of adversity it has been heart-warming to see our community come together to support one another.

It is hard to believe that at the start of the year being limited to up to thirty people indoors seemed draconian, but while Freshers' Week lacked its usual largesse the MCR was still graced with many a new face, and the sounds of conversation and laughter were heard in Staircase 35. There was punting, there was tea and cakes, and the famous MCR bar swapped the packed dance club vibe for relaxed Jazz music, table service and a cocktail menu (from our Bar Manager Charles) worthy of the finest 20s salon.

This continued into Michaelmas term with film nights, Halloween pumpkin carving and a return of weekly afternoon tea – any way we could safely put the social in social distancing! The Manhattan became a new favourite in the MCR bar, though I'm sure the G&T will retake its rightful place once again next year. MCR members in the Choir helped ensure the Chapel remained a haven of music and worship for all, as well as singing on Armistice Day and recording carols for Oxmas. The second lockdown forced much of our activity online but come December the scent of pine from a real Christmas tree once again wafted through the MCR, soon to be joined by the smell of mulled wine and warm mince pies as we hosted a series of tree-trimming evenings to round out the term.

The new year brought with it a new term, but sadly a new lockdown as well and the MCR once again went online. However, our fantastic Social Secretaries were undaunted by the challenge, pulling together eleven Oxford colleges for a virtual bingo night, complete with prizes and some questionable dancing, though our Treasurer definitely earned himself a few admirers with his moves! COVID sadly put paid to the sporting calendar, with Torpids, football and rugby all high-profile casualties of a term that spared few clubs.

Trinity term saw MCR bar nights return to lift everyone's spirits, and the installation of a new – and most importantly functioning – coffee machine to entice people out of their rooms. Inter-college sport slowly began to return, though sadly the cricket season was mostly washed out by May rains. Bumps rowing was able to happen, albeit in a slightly subdued form, and Oriel achieved great success across all the crews. It was fantastic to see MCR representation in every boat – and special congratulations must go to the M1 crew for retaining the Headship!

As we moved into the last fortnight of term, we organised first a whisky tasting, hosted by myself and our Bar Manager Charles. Then we enjoyed a sumptuous wine tasting – the quality of the wines being surpassed only by the wisdom of our viticultural guide Asefay Aberaha, the SCR Butler. The College's Hall finally reopened – and it was more than worth the wait. Our Grand Formal dinners offered us a chance to dust off the suits,

bowties and dresses. Seeing the MCR all decked out in our finery, laughing with friends old and new and taking photos in the glorious evening sunshine was a joy to behold, and we are eternally thankful to the Hall and Kitchen staff who made it all possible.

A special thank you, and our heartiest praise, must go to the medical students in our MCR who have worked tirelessly over the last year treating patients, organising testing programmes and vaccinating the Oxford community. Their selflessness and dedication are exemplary, and for their hard work we are extremely grateful.

We have been put to the test by the last twelve months, but every level of the College has come together and risen to the challenge admirably. I would like to thank my committee, without whom nothing that we have done this year would have been possible. I am deeply grateful for the support, perseverance, and selfless dedication they have shown throughout this year. The task now falls to our incoming president, Guy Cabral, to lead the MCR into its renaissance as we move towards a post-COVID Oxford. It gives me great comfort that I pass the presidency on to someone whom I know shares my love for the MCR. I wish him, and his new committee, all the very best.

As the curtain closes on another year, I look toward the summer with a deeper appreciation for the immense value of our community, and renewed optimism for the future.

*Marcus Williamson*  
*MCR President 2020-2021*



Halloween pumpkin carving helped brighten spirits

## NEW MEMBERS 2020-2021

### FOR HIGHER DEGREES

AITKEN, Claire	DPhil	Cardiovascular Science (BHF)	University of Glasgow
ALAHMADI, Sami	MSc	Evidence-Based Social Intervention & Policy Evaluation	University of Illinois at Chicago, USA
ALLOTT, Flynn	MSt	English (1550-1700)	University College London
ALPERN, Leah	MPhil	Theology	Wadham College
AMOAH, Kadijah	EMBA	Business Administration	University of Ghana, Ghana
APODACA, Daniella	MSt	Modern Languages	Columbia University, USA
ARIAS CUELLAR, Gustavo	MSc	Law & Finance	Universidad Centroamericana José Simeón Cañas, San Salvador
BANSAL, Sajal	MSc	Financial Economics	IT Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi, Italy
BASTON, Robert	MSc	Mathematical Modelling & Scientific Computing	Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge
BATEMAN, Joseph	DPhil	Particle Physics	University of Exeter
BETANCOURT LOPEZ, Alejandro	EMBA	Business Administration	Suffolk University, USA
BHARUCHA, Natasha	MSt	English (1700-1830)	Oriel
BHATTACHARYA, Priyanshu	EMBA	Business Administration	Universität St Gallen, Switzerland
BRAVO GALINDO, Pablo	MSc	Sociology	University College London
BUGGE, Mille	MPhil	Economics	King's College London
BUTOW, Clara	MSc	Environmental Change & Management	ES IE Business School Madrid, Spain
CAISTOR-PARKER, Ian	MSc	African Studies	University of Warwick
CALDERBANK, Anne	DPhil	Theology & Religion	Oriel
CAO, Xinzhe	DPhil	Computer Science	Colorado State University, USA

CASTRO GUARDA, Marcos	DPhil	Physiology, Anatomy & Genetics	Universidad Austral de Chile, Chile
CHANDLER, Tamsyn	MSt	Creative Writing	King's College London
CHEN, Yanbin	MSc	Computer Science	Chongqing University, China
CHENG, Kwan Kin	MSc	Financial Economics	London School of Economics and Political Science
CLARK, Romily	MSc	Mathematical & Theoretical Physics	University College London
CLARKE, Robert	DPhil	History (PT)	Cambridge University
CONTRERAS SANTANDER, Fernando	DPhil	Law	Oriel
DATTA, Debaditya	DPhil	Law	St Hugh's College
DING, Zhiyuan	DPhil	Materials	Nanjing University, China
DOODY, Max	2nd BM	Clinical Medicine	Oriel
EI PHYOE, Pan Ei	MSc	Water Science, Policy & Management	Universität Stuttgart, Germany
ELHUSSEINY, Ahmed	BCL	Law	King's College London
EL-SHERIF, Ansaam	2nd BM	Clinical Medicine	Oriel
ENGLISH, Edward	DPhil	Clinical Medicine	St Catharine's College, Cambridge
FEATHERSTONE, Oliver	DPhil	Clinical Medicine	Lincoln College
FISCHER-VOUSDEN, Roland	MSt	Creative Writing	King's College London
GATES, Brenna	MSt	Migration Studies	Mount Vernon Nazarene University, USA
GLIKSTEN, Abigail	MSc	Evidence-Based Health Care	University of Dundee
GONZALEZ GOMEZ, Rodrigo	DPhil	Interdisciplinary Bioscience (BBSRC DTP)	University College London
GRUBAUGH, Connor	DPhil	Politics	University of Notre Dame, USA
HALBERT, Ross	MSc	Environmental Change & Management	Harvard University, USA
HALSALL, John	EMBA	Business Administration	Oxford Brookes University
HONEY, Francisca	MSt	Modern Languages	University of California, Berkeley, USA
HORMANN, Erik	DPhil	Mathematics	Università degli Studi di Roma 'La Sapienza', Italy

HUANG, Zirui	DPhil	Linguistics, Philology & Phonetics	St Catharine's College, Cambridge
HUFF, Brandon	EMBA	Business Administration	University of Virginia, USA
IMANI, Kevin	MSc	African Studies	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium
JASIEWICZ-GILL, Arielle	MSt	Medieval Studies	University of York
JAUNCEY, Hannah	MSc	Global Health Science & Epidemiology	University of Sheffield
JIANG, Qiaochu	MSc	Computer Science	Magdalene College, Cambridge
JIANG, Siyao	DPhil	History (PT)	Kellogg College
JOENSUU, Emmi	DPhil	History	St Hilda's College
JOHN, Leasha	2nd BM	Clinical Medicine	Oriel
KAUL, Marie	MPhil	Economics	The University of Manchester
KELL, Loren	DPhil	Biochemistry	University College London
KLUBER, Paulo	EMBA	Business Administration	Columbia University, USA
KOPCZYNSKA, Karolina	BCL	Law	University College London
LIU, Yuchen	MSc	Mathematical Sciences	Soochow University, Taiwan
LUBBAD, Saleem	DPhil	Materials	St Edmund Hall
MCGUIGAN, Callum	MSt	Creative Writing	Sheffield Hallam University
MURRAY, Sean	MSc	Mathematical Modelling & Scientific Computing	Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
NELIDOVA, Dasha	MSc	Evidence-Based Health Care	Friedrich Miescher Institute, University of Basel, Switzerland
NIU, Xinya	DPhil	Materials	University of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, China
NORMAN, Louis	MSt	Creative Writing	University of Edinburgh
O'NEILL MCPARTLIN, Sean	BPhil	Philosophy	Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
O'REILLY, John	DPhil	Music	St Anne's College
PASHKEVICH, Ivan	MSc	Financial Economics	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany
PERERA, Johann	DPhil	Materials	The Queen's College
POPPS, George	MBA	Business Administration	College of William and Mary, USA

RAMEZANI, Arman	MSc	Financial Economics	University of Pennsylvania, USA
REN, Han Kun	DPhil	Engineering	Oriel
REN, Xiyu	DPhil	Geography & The Environment	St John's College, Cambridge
REZA, Cyrus	MPhil	History	Stanford University, USA
RIGNEY, Grant	MSc	Clinical & Therapeutic Neuroscience	Oriel
ROBERTSON, Cameron	DPhil	Particle Physics	University of Edinburgh
ROBINSON, Erin	2nd BM	Clinical Medicine	Oriel
ROMAN, Jorge	EMBA	Business Administration	Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Chile
SAGASTUY BREÑA, Monica	MSc	Energy Systems	Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Mexico
SAMI, Arvind	MSc	Evidence-Based Health Care	University of Hertfordshire
SEIFERTH, David	DPhil	Interdisciplinary Bioscience (BBSRC DTP)	Georg August University of Göttingen, Germany
SESSINI, Cristiana	DPhil	Classical Languages & Literature	University of Bologna, Italy
SHAHANI-TUCKWELL, Thomas	EMBA	Business Administration	Hagerstown Community College, USA
SIVYER, Philip	DPhil	Theology & Religion	Mansfield College
SUN, Jiani	DPhil	Theology & Religion	Yale Divinity School, USA
SUN, Meng	MSt	Theology	Durham University
TODHUNTER, Benjamin	MPhil	Theology	SOAS, London
TU, Tianxin	MSt	Linguistics, Philology & Phonetics	Tongji University, China
TUNG, Madison	MSc	Social Science of the Internet	Oxford
TURNER, Aidan	MSt	History – Intellectual History	University of Glasgow
VUKOVIC, Jelena	2nd BM	Clinical Medicine	Oriel
WANG, Xinan	MSc	Statistical Science	Imperial College, London
WILLIAMS, Benedict	DPhil	Synthesis for Biology & Medicine (CDT)	University College
WILSON, Tatiana	DPhil	Interdisciplinary Bioscience (BBSRC DTP)	New College
WILSON, Roark	MSc	English (1700-1830)	The University of the South, USA
WISIALOWSKI, Sarah	DPhil	Theology & Religion	Oriel
WOOD, Max	PGCE	Religious Education	Oriel

WOOD, Joanna	DPhil	International Relations	University of Sussex
XU, Aisha	MSc	Mathematical & Computational Finance	Queens' College, Cambridge
YEH, Lia	DPhil	Computer Science	University of California, USA
YUE, Chuan	MSt	Greek and/or Latin Languages & Literature	École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, France
ZHOU, Zhaoyi	MSc	Nature, Society & Environmental Governance	University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

### FOR FIRST DEGREES

ADESANYA, Oluwateniola	Law with Law in Europe	Benenden School
ADIL, Amirul Islam	Mathematics	Morpeth School
AL-MASHOOR, Oscar	Mathematics	Exeter Mathematics School
AMLA, Abdullah	Physics (4-year MPhys)	Newham Collegiate Sixth Form
ANDREWS, Finn	Philosophy, Politics & Economics	Royal Grammar School, High Wycombe
BAILEY, Alexander David	Theology & Religion	Bishop Vesey's Grammar School
BANERJEE, Somrupa Riya	Philosophy, Politics & Economics	Hutchesons' Grammar School
BARNES, Indus	Engineering Science	Hampton School
BECSI, Paul	Computer Science	Gheorghe Șincai National College Baia Mare, Romania
BROWN, Polly Charlotte Munro	Classics	Oundle School
BYRNE-SMITH, Hannah	Classics II	Woodhouse College, Finchley
CHAN, Ho Hugo	Law	Diocesan Boys' School, Hong Kong
CHATTERJEE, Rithvik	Computer Science	Calcutta International School, India
CHEN, Haotian	Mathematics	Pennon Education Group, China
CHENG, Zhangqing	Chemistry	Norwich School
CHONG, Jerric Yijie	Physics & Philosophy	Mabecs SDN BHD, Malaysia
CHU, Ho Ming	Biochemistry (Molecular & Cellular)	Cheltenham College
COLLEN, Grace Elizabeth	Law	Norwich School

COUTTS, Anna	Classics & English	Putney High School
DAR, Ilyas	Medicine	Mayfield School
DARCY, Thomas William John	Classics II	Strodes College, Surrey
DUNCAN, George James	Classical Archaeology & Ancient History	The Perse School, Cambridge
DYDENSBORG, Baltazar Bondo	Philosophy, Politics & Economics	Kruses Gymnasium, Denmark
EVELEIGH-EVANS, Blythe Aurora	English Language & Literature	Waldegrave School
FAWCETT, Phoebe Ophelia	Philosophy and Beginners' Italian	Chinese International School, Hong Kong
FENG, Siheng	Engineering Science	Shenzhen College of International Education, China
FOSS, Elisabeth	Biochemistry (Molecular & Cellular)	EF International Academy, Oxford
GEORGE, Millan	Philosophy & Theology	Queen Elizabeth's School, Barnet
HALY, Alice Lauren	Medicine	Peter Symonds College, Winchester
HAMWEE, Cosmo	Engineering Science	Harrow School
HARDING, Charlotte	History	Edgbarrow School, Crowthorne
HOEFT, Cassidy	Engineering Science	Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology, USA
HOLLAND, Eloise Yazmin	Mathematics & Computer Science	King's College London Mathematics School
HUDSON, Frederick	History	Fortismere School, London
HUDSON, Emily Ada	Physics (4-year MPhys)	Ysgol Dinas Bran, Llangollen
ICHERT, Alexandru Gabriel	Chemistry	South Bromsgrove High School
ISLAM, Siddiq	Mathematics	Emanuel School
JAIN, Nikita	Modern Languages (French & Linguistics)	King Edward VI High School for Girls
JOHNSON, Thomas	Engineering Science	Hutchesons' Grammar School
KIM, Jueun	Mathematics & Computer Science	Brussels International Catholic School, Belgium
KING, Catherine	English Language & Literature	The Cardinal Vaughan Memorial RC School
LAMMIN, Aimee Eloise Grace	Philosophy, Politics & Economics	Holt School, Wokingham
LANGTON, Peter David	Physics & Philosophy	Cheadle Hulme School

LAWLOR, Michael Peter	Modern Languages (Spanish & Linguistics)	Royal Grammar School, Newcastle-upon-Tyne
LEE SI YI, Kaitlyn	Philosophy, Politics & Economics	Raffles Junior College, Singapore
LOO, Joshua Peter	Computer Science & Philosophy	Westminster School
MA, Si Cheng	Engineering Science	Hwa Chong Institution, Singapore
MALLINDINE, Charles James	Chemistry	Barton Peveril College
MARCHANT, Katy Rose	Ancient & Modern History	Notre Dame Catholic VI Form College
MIRZA, Ibraheem	Biochemistry (Molecular & Cellular)	Greenhead College, Huddersfield
MORAR, Rhienna Shri	Medicine	North London Collegiate School
MURRAY, Peter Edward	Theology & Religion	Tabor Academy
NICHOLLS-IGGULDEN, Cameron	Classics	Merchant Taylors' School, Northwood
NUR, Salmaan	History & Politics	Harris Westminster Sixth Form
OLSBURGH, Jack	Philosophy, Politics & Economics	JFS School
PRESTON, Hannah Mary Elizabeth	Modern Languages (German)	Barton Peveril College
QAZI, Layla	History	Redmaids' High School
REGENSBURGER, Pia Antonia Sophia	Theology & Religion	St Mary's School, Dorset
REN, Junyu	Mathematics & Philosophy	Cardiff Sixth Form College
RENNIE, Katie	Modern Languages (French & Russian)	Winstanley College
ROBERTSON, Aidan Stuart	Philosophy, Politics & Economics	Queen Mary's College
RODRIGUEZ, George Edward	Physics (4-year MPhys)	Hurstpierpoint College
ROMANS, Grace	Classics	Peter Symonds College
SALIH, Muhammed Yusuf	History	Queen Elizabeth's School, Barnet
SCOTT, Josh	Law	Belfast High School
SHARKEY, Theodore	History	Reading School
SHEIKEY, Hamza	Medicine	Brampton Manor Academy
SHEPHERD, Lucian	Modern Languages (French and German)	St George's School, Harpenden
SIMPSON, Aneilia	Biochemistry (Molecular & Cellular)	Outwood Post 16 Centre, Worksop

SONG, Xiao	Physics (4-year MPhys)	Shanghai Guanghua College
SPINDLER, Hugo Francis Ballantyne	Modern Languages (French)	Wells Cathedral School
STACEY, Amelia Elizabeth	History & Economics	Brisbane Girls Grammar School, Australia
SUNG, Yuan Long	Physics (4-year MPhys)	Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
TAYLOR, Kate	Modern Languages (French & Spanish)	Oaklands Catholic School
THOMSON, Logan	Computer Science & Philosophy	Rawlins Academy
THOMSON, Benjamin	Medicine	The Skinners' School
TIDMARSH, Katherine Alice	English Language & Literature	James Allen's Girls' School
TUBB, Harriet Sophia	Music	Cobham Hall, Gravesend
VERNON, Beatrice Isabella	Philosophy, Politics & Economics	South Wilts Grammar School
VURGAIT, Diego	Mathematics	Lycée Louis-le-Grand, France
WALTERS, Jessica Ruth	Music	Tunbridge Wells Girls' Grammar School
WERNER, Eden	Law	The Cathedral School, Llandaff
WHITBOURN, Simeon James	Philosophy & Theology	The Judd School, Tonbridge
WILD, Thomas Joseph	Music	Churcher's College
WILLIAMS, Joshua	Theology & Religion	Eton College
WILSON, Charlotte Jane	Modern Languages (French)	Oakham School
WONG, Yin Ka	Biomedical Sciences	Cheung Chuk Shan College, Hong Kong
WOODEND, Joshua	English Language & Literature	Cirencester College
WORM HORTELANO, Ana	Philosophy, Politics & Economics	Lessing Gymnasium Frankfurt, Germany
WU, Zitong	Chemistry	Vision Academy
WYNN, Leah	Biochemistry (Molecular & Cellular)	Swakeleys School for Girls, Uxbridge
ZHANG, Yimeng	Law	Hwa Chong Institution, Singapore
ZHANG, Jiarui	Mathematics	Anglo-Chinese Junior College, Singapore
ZHAO, Anna Mae He Min	Medicine	Kendrick School, Reading
ZYGMUNT, Piotr	Mathematics & Computer Science	Publiczne Liceum Ogólnokształcące Uniwersytetu łódzkiego, Poland

VISITING STUDENTS

BAUCHET, Nina	Diploma in Legal Studies	Panthéon-Assas University Paris II, France
HAUER, Maximilian	Classics	Ludwig Maximilians University Munich, Germany
PALKA, Kyana	Diploma in Legal Studies	Ludwig Maximilians University Munich, Germany
WATTS, Bella	Classics	Barnard College, USA



# ACADEMIC RECORD

## DEGREES AND EXAMINATION RESULTS 2020-2021

### DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

- ALASHWALI, Eman Salem, (Computer Science): Negotiation Transparency and Consistency in Configurable Protocols: An Empirical Investigation
- BOLTON, Thomas, (Environmental Research): Atmospheric, Oceanic and Planetary Physics: A Data-Driven Investigation into the Behaviour and Parameterisation of Mesoscale Eddies
- CERNIS, Emma Anne, (Biomedical and Clinical Sciences): Dissociation in Non-Affective Psychosis: A Felt Sense of Anomaly
- CHEN, Jun, (Materials): Atomic Study of Defects in Two-Dimensional Transition Metal Chalcogenides Using Electron Microscopy
- CHEN, Tianyi, (Inorganic Chemistry): Modification of the Metal Lattice in Transition Metals by Light Elements: Synthesis, Characterisations and Catalytic Applications
- CIKA, Arta, (Engineering Science): On the Modelling of Mobile Ad Hoc Networks
- COLLIER, Matthew James, (Philosophy): Lewisian Theism
- DE VIDO, Angelica, (English): Adventures on the Isle of Adolescence: Forms of Contemporary American Girlhood
- DOUDONIS, Panagiotis, (Law): The Normativity of Constitutional Conventions, with special references to the UK, USA and Greece
- DUERR, Patrick Michel, (Philosophy): Gravitational Energy and Energy Conservation in General Relativity and Other Theories of Gravity
- HASANBEIG, Mohammadhosein, (Computer Science): Safe and Certified Reinforcement Learning with Logical Constraints
- HUGHES, Rian, (Theoretical Physics): Collective Motion in Active Nematic Liquid Crystals
- IMIÓLEK, Mateusz Łukasz, (Organic Chemistry): Radical Chemistry for Selective Modification of Native Residues in Proteins
- KAZNATCHEEV, Artem, (Computer Science): Algorithmic Biology of Evolution and Ecology
- LIU, Wing Chung, (Materials): Solvodynamic Printed Silver Nanowire Composite Films for Pressure Sensing Applications
- LUPTAK, Adam, (History): Veterans of the Great War in Interbellum Czechoslovakia
- MCLOUGHLIN, Dominic, (Astrophysics): Discovery of Jets Launched by Classical Nova Eruptions
- PATTERSON, Matthew Ross, (Environmental Research): Atmospheric, Oceanic and Planetary Physics: The Dynamics of the South Pacific Jet Stream in Austral Winter
- RUBIS, June Mary, (Geography and the Environment): Seeing the Utan from the Orang: A Decolonial Indigenous Approach to Orangutan Conservation in Sarawak
- SADLER, Holly Lois, (Interdisciplinary Bioscience): Evaluation of a Single Cycle Influenza Virus as a Candidate Vaccine

SANCHEZ BETANCOURT, Leandro Gilberto, (Mathematics): Uncertain Execution in Order-Driven Markets

SHI, Xiaodong, (Engineering Science): Robust Frameworks for the Observability and Lie Symmetries of Structural Dynamical Systems

THEKKADATH, Guillaume Suresh, (Atomic and Laser Physics): Preparing and Characterizing Quantum States of Light using Photon-number-resolving Detectors

VICINI, Anna Chiara, (Organic Chemistry): Hydrogen Bonding Phase-Transfer Catalysis with Alkali Metal Fluorides: from Reaction Development to Scale-up

YATES, Abi George, (Pharmacology): The Contribution of the Systemic Inflammatory Response to the Outcome of Spinal Cord Injury

### MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY

CONTRERAS SANTANDER, Fernando Tomás, (Law): Legal Liberalism: Public Reason and the Foundations of Judicial Review

MOHANTY, Titiksha Debasish, (Law): The Curious Case of Pecuniary Remedies for Human Rights Violations in India

### BACHELOR OF CIVIL LAW

ELHUSSEINY, Ahmed Pass

### MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION IN ECONOMICS

BUGGE, Mille Pass

KAUL, Marie Pass

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN AFRICAN STUDIES

IMANI, Kevin Merit

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPARATIVE SOCIAL POLICY

FERGUSON, Brian Pass

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN LAW AND FINANCE

ARIAS CUELLAR, Gustavo Pass

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICAL AND COMPUTATIONAL FINANCE

XU, Aisha Distinction

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICAL AND THEORETICAL PHYSICS

CLARK, Romily Distinction

### MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MIGRATION STUDIES

GATES, Brenna Distinction

**MASTER OF STUDIES IN ENGLISH**

ALLOTT, Flynn	Distinction
WILSON, Roark	Pass
BHARUCHA, Natasha	Merit

**MASTER OF STUDIES IN GREEK AND/OR LATIN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE**

YUE, Chuan	Pass
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**MASTER OF STUDIES IN LINGUISTICS, PHILOLOGY AND PHONETICS**

TU, Tianxin	Pass
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**MASTER OF STUDIES IN MODERN LANGUAGES**

APODACA, Daniella	Distinction
HONEY, Francesca	Merit

**POSTGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION**

WOOD, Max	Pass
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**DIPLOMA IN LEGAL STUDIES**

BAUCHET, Nina	Pass
PALKA, Kyana	Pass

**FIRST EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE (PART I)**

HALY, Alice	Pass
MORAR, Rhienna	Pass
SHEIKEY, Hamza	Pass
THOMSON, Benjamin	Pass
ZHAO, Anna Mae	Pass

**FIRST EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE (PART II)**

FRANDES, Vasile	Pass
MORRIS, Peter	Pass
WHITE, Jemima	Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF CHEMISTRY (PART IA)**

CHEN, Yiquan	Pass
DURKAN, Brian	Pass
MELLOR, Patrick	Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF CHEMISTRY (PART IB)**

MATTIMOE, Andrew	Honours Pass
WOOTTON, Eloise	Honours Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF CHEMISTRY (PART II)**

JACKSON, Alex	I
LOCI, Lubomir	I
NORRIS, Simon	II.i
MADDEN, Samuel	II.ii

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF CLASSICS AND ENGLISH**

WHITTINGTON, Kate	II.i
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF CLASSICS AND ORIENTAL STUDIES**

EVANS, Isabella	II.i
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE (PART A)**

LAWSON, Joseph	Pass
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE (PART B)**

WEISZ, Liora	I
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE (PART C)**

SLAKAITIS, Gabrielius	Distinction
AYDIN, Yunus	Merit

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND PHILOSOPHY (PART A)**

PENGELLY, Luca	Pass
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND PHILOSOPHY (PART B)**

DING, Ruida	II.i
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND PHILOSOPHY (PART C)**

PHILPOTT, Daniel	II.ii
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING SCIENCE (PART B)**

DENISON-SMITH, Angus	I
HO, Christopher	II.i
POWELL, Oscar	II.i
WIDJAJA, Emily	II.i
YE, Zi	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING SCIENCE (PART C)**

DAVIES, Daniel	I
FRASER, Orlando	I
MEHAN, Prateek	II.i
ZHONG, Fengyu	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF ENGLISH AND MODERN LANGUAGES**

ANGERER, Michael	I
FRASER, Joel	I

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE COURSE 1**

DEERING, Lara	I
MOORHOUSE, Sarah	I
SEN, Samanwita	I
BREWER, Sabrina	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF HISTORY**

THOMPSON, Catherine	I
RAHMAN, Mahdiyah	II.i
STRAHL, Harriet	II.i
WEI, Zijian	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF HISTORY AND ECONOMICS**

DHAMI, Amrit	II.i
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF HISTORY AND MODERN LANGUAGES**

PATSALUYONAK, Sergei	II.i
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF HISTORY AND POLITICS**

IRVING, Sophie	II.i
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF JURISPRUDENCE**

BROOKES, Laura	II.i
HO, Wai Ching Ambrose	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF LITERAE HUMANIORES**

BOWLER, Megan	I
PARR, Christopher	II.i
SAER, Thomas	II.i
SMITH, Thomasina	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICAL AND THEORETICAL PHYSICS (PART C)**

KAMINSKI, Aleksander	Pass
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS (PART A)**

GHOSH, Aditya	Honours Pass
THOMSON, Arthur	Honours Pass
TOWNSEND, Anna	Honours Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS (PART B)**

DAVIDSON, Lauren	II.i
LIU, Yilin	II.i
MOODY, Ebony	II.ii
WANG, Ruiyi	II.ii

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS (PART C)**

WARNER, Albert	Distinction
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE (PART A)**

HUANG, Xingyue	Pass
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE (PART B)**

NEWELL, Isaac Wind	I
PENROSE, Maxwell	I
BAIGENT, Harry	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE (PART C)**

FRIGAARD, Hal	Distinction
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND PHILOSOPHY (PART A)**

DODD, Hamish	Honours Pass
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND PHILOSOPHY (PART B)**

BIBB, Saskia	II.i
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS (PART A)**

HUANG, Tianjie	Honours Pass
STOENICA, Adela	Honours Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS (PART B)**

KAPUSTIN, Alexey	II.i
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MEDICAL SCIENCES**

DANVERS, Ryan	I
SHAH-OSTROWSKI, Mark	I
SURIBHATLA, Rhea	I
NENTWICH, Hannah	II.i
ROOME, Harry	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MODERN LANGUAGES**

LETMAN, Maria	I
PARMAR, Lily	I
ROBINSON-KRONROD, Geoffrey	II.i
WILSON, Katie	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOCHEMISTRY (PART I)**

HAMILTON, Matthew	Honours Pass
LISTER, Thomas	Honours Pass
MCDONALD, Eleanor	Honours Pass
SHI, Tianyi	Honours Pass
VICARIO SANTOS, Beatriz	Honours Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOCHEMISTRY (PART II)**

PRINCE, Isabel	I
SHARMA, Natasha	I
SUDARSHAN, Bhuvana	I
BAKCHIEVA, Aisuluu	II.i
BLOWERS, Jack	II.i
MUNDY, George	II.i
NUGENT, Charlotte	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MUSIC**

BANKS, Benjamin	I
CULVERWELL, Katarina	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF NEUROSCIENCE (PART II)**

BOND, Suraya	I
SWANN, Jake	I
DOLINSKA, Olha	II.i
RANGOTIS, Mark	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHILOSOPHY AND THEOLOGY**

BEHR, Joshua	I
BRENNINKMEIJER, Tobias	II.i
WHITE, Angus	II.i

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS, AND ECONOMICS**

MCGRATH, Brendan	I
MOROSANU, Smaranda-Ioana	I
YIP, Cheuk Lam	I
BACON, Finley	II.i
CLUER, Max	II.i

GEARTY, Harry	II.i
LEWIS, Harry	II.i

### HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS (PART A)

BARKER, George	Pass
GILMORE, Ben	Pass
NEWNHAM, John	Pass
XU, Daping	Pass
ZAPOLSKI, Dawid	Pass

### HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS (PART B)

BOWSKILL, Cameron	I
BURROW, William	I
KING, Rolson	I
PEAKE, Domenic	I
TIPPETT, Anna	I
DIX, Jasper	II.i

### HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS (PART C)

SHAH, Akshat	I
SUN, Minghao	III

### HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS AND PHILOSOPHY (PART A)

HUNT, Daniel	Pass
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### HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS AND PHILOSOPHY (PART B)

WATTS, Dylan	II.i
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### HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS AND PHILOSOPHY (PART C)

EIRA, Alexandre	I
ERNST, Jan Ole	I

### HONOUR SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY AND RELIGION

DEARDEN, Grace	II.i
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### HONOUR SCHOOLS OF CELL AND SYSTEMS BIOLOGY/NEUROSCIENCE PART I

DEMAEL, Ursule	Pass
MUNDAY, Veronica	Pass

### SECOND EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE (YEAR 1)

DOODY, Max	Pass
ROBINSON, Erin	Pass
VUKOVIC, Jelena	Pass

**SECOND EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE (YEAR 2)**

BROCKWELL, Thomas	Pass
O'BYRNE, Katherine	Pass
SHORTEN, Cariad	Pass
WILSON, Joseph	Pass
YOUNG, Rebecca	Pass

**SECOND EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE (YEAR 3)**

ROTHWELL, Eve	Distinction
LAURENSEN-SCHAFFER, Hannah	Pass
MCGIVERN, Euan	Pass
TAYLOR, Elena	Pass

**DEGREES AND EXAMINATION RESULTS 2019-2020**

(announced too late for inclusion in the 2020 *Oriel Record*)

**FIRST EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE (PART I)**

BAGGE, Victoria	Pass
FRANDES, Vasile	Pass
MORRIS, Peter	Pass
WHITE, Jemima	Pass

**FIRST EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE (PART II)**

DANVERS, Ryan	Pass
NENTWICH, Hannah	Pass
ROOME, Harry	Pass
SHAH-OSTROWSKI, Mark	Pass
SURIBHATLA, Rhea	Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF CHEMISTRY (PART IB)**

JACKSON, Alex	Honours Pass
LOCI, Lubomir	Honours Pass
MADDEN, Samuel	Honours Pass
NORRIS, Simon	Honours Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE (PART A)**

WEISZ, Liora	Pass
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF COMPUTER SCIENCE AND PHILOSOPHY (PART A)**

DING, Ruida	Pass
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS (PART A)**

DAVIDSON, Lauren	Honours Pass
KAPUSTIN, Alexey	Honours Pass
LIU, Yilin	Honours Pass
WANG, Ruiyi	Honours Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE (PART A)**

BAIGENT, Harry	Pass
NEWELL, Isaac Wind	Pass
PENROSE, Maxwell	Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND PHILOSOPHY (PART A)**

BIBB, Saskia	Honours Pass
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BIOCHEMISTRY (PART I)**

BAKCHIEVA, Aisuluu	Honours Pass
BLOWERS, Jack	Honours Pass
MUNDY, George	Honours Pass
NUGENT, Charlotte	Honours Pass
PRINCE, Isabel	Honours Pass
SHARMA, Natasha	Honours Pass
SUDARSHAN, Bhuvana	Honours Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS (PART A)**

BOWSKILL, Cameron	Pass
BURROW, William	Pass
DIX, Jasper	Pass
KING, Rolson	Pass
PEAKE, Domenic	Pass
TIPPETT, Anna	Pass

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS (PART B)**

KAMINSKI, Aleksander	II.i
SHAH, Akshat	I
SUN, Minghao	III

**HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS AND PHILOSOPHY (PART A)**

WATTS, Dylan	Pass
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**HONOUR SCHOOL OF PHYSICS AND PHILOSOPHY (PART B)**

EIRA, Alexandre	I
ERNST, Jan	I

**HONOUR SCHOOLS OF CELL AND SYSTEMS BIOLOGY/NEUROSCIENCE PART I**

BOND, Suraya	Pass
RANGOTIS, Mark	Pass
SWANN, Jake	Pass

**EXECUTIVE MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (YEAR 2)**

IVANOV, Delcho	Distinction
KUZIYAK, Dmytro	Pass

**MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

BARBIERI, Noah	Distinction
JAWITZ, Farah	Pass
RAZINDYASWARA, Kemal	Distinction
TEJPAR, Sehr	Pass

**MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS**

FORTACZ, Alexandra	Pass
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**MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY IN THEOLOGY**

CHARLES, Paul	Merit
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**MASTER OF PUBLIC POLICY**

CREMONA, Melanie Anne	Pass
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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN BIODIVERSITY, CONSERVATION & MANAGEMENT**

BLATCHFORD, Katherine	Distinction
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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPARATIVE SOCIAL POLICY**

FERGUSON, Brian	Pass
NG, Joelle	Distinction

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN COMPUTER SCIENCE**

BEUTNER, Raven	Distinction
TUNG, Madison	Pass

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION**

HALL, Amy	Distinction
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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENERGY SYSTEMS**

LIMA, Marcus	Merit
MILLAR, Erik	Merit
REN, Han Kun	Merit

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE & MANAGEMENT**

FLODELL, Henrietta	Merit
WILLIAMS, Jemma	Merit

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EVIDENCE-BASED SOCIAL INTERVENTION AND POLICY EVALUATION**

RIGNEY, Grant	Merit
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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INTEGRATED IMMUNOLOGY**

KE, Shiyao	Merit
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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INTERNATIONAL HEALTH AND TROPICAL MEDICINE**

EPIE, Terrence	Pass
OBIESIE, Sopuruchukwu	Distinction
BALASUBRAMANIAM, Priya	Merit

**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN LEARNING AND TEACHING YEAR 3**

GREENWOOD, Ianthe	Pass
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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND FOUNDATIONS OF COMPUTER SCIENCE**

O'GORMAN, Ronan	Distinction
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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN STATISTICAL SCIENCE**

FORTY, Harry	Pass
TIELROOIJ, Willem	Distinction

**MASTER OF STUDIES IN CREATIVE WRITING YEAR 2**

AJGAN, Emily	Merit
TOUSCHEK, Jessica	Distinction

**MASTER OF STUDIES IN ENGLISH**

HUTCHINGS, Ruby	Distinction
SMART, Nicholas	Distinction

**MASTER OF STUDIES IN GREEK AND/OR LATIN LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE**

GIBSON-MEE, Molly	Distinction
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**MASTER OF STUDIES IN THEOLOGY**

GUTIERREZ GONZALEZ, Eduardo	Merit
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**SECOND EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE (YEAR 2)**

LAURENSEN-SCHAFFER, Hannah	Pass
MCGIVERN, Euan	Pass
ROTHWELL, Eve	Pass
TAYLOR, Elena	Pass

**SECOND EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MEDICINE (YEAR 1)**

BROCKWELL, Thomas	Pass
O'BYRNE, Katherine	Pass
SHORTEN, Ciriad	Pass
WILSON, Joseph	Pass
YOUNG, Rebecca	Pass



## AWARDS AND PRIZES

### UNIVERSITY AWARDS AND PRIZES

(not reported in the 2020 *Oriel Record*)

Matilda Tambyraja Prize in Women's and

Reproductive Health 2019-20

Slaughter & May Prize in History of English Law 2019-20

**Hannah Laurenson-Schafer**

**Guy Cabral**

### UNIVERSITY AWARDS AND PRIZES

Biochemistry Project Prize (Joint second)

David Cram Prize for best performance in Prelims Linguistics

Gibbs Prize for best performance in

Biochemistry Part II Project

Gibbs Prize for best performance in the Physics papers in

Part C of the Honour School of Physics and Philosophy

Gibbs Thesis Prize (Politics)

Gibbs Prize (Trinity Term Joint Honour Schools)

Hoare Prize for the best MSc project in Computer Science

Hoare Prize for the best overall performance in the

MSc in Computer Science 2020

Physics Prize for MPhys Project in Theoretical Physics

Physics Prize for Practical work in Part A

Scott Prize for the best performance in the

BA examination in Physics

**Bhuvana Sudarshan**

**Nikita Jain**

**Bhuvana Sudarshan**

**Alexandre Eira**

**Robert Boswall**

**Michael Angerer**

**Raven Beutner**

**Raven Beutner**

**Alexandre Eira**

**George Barker**

**Joseph Drakeley**

### COLLEGE AWARDS AND PRIZES

Eugene Lee-Hamilton Prize

Hammick Progress in Chemistry Prize (2019-2020)

(not reported in the 2020 *Oriel Record*)

Hammick Progress in Chemistry Prizes (2020-2021)

H Basil Robinson Prize

Sir Derek Morris Prize in Economics

Shannon Prize in History

**Tayiba Sulaiman**

(St Hilda's College)

**Lubomir Loci**

**Brian Durkan**

**Samuel Madden**

**Jan Ernst**

**Brendan McGrath**

**Smaranda-Ioana Morosanu**

**Anna Morris**

## GRADUATE SCHOLARS

The following elections have been made for the academic year 2021-2022

David N. Lyon Scholarship in Politics – The Politics of

Sex and Gender Equality in Diverse Societies

Thomas F. Torrance Graduate Scholarship

Walter Raleigh Scholarship

Oriel Graduate Scholarship in Science and Religion

Oriel Graduate Scholars

**Geertje Bol**

**Daniel Woolnough**

**Beauclaire Choumkoa**

**Mbanya**

**Ravi Jain**

**Flynn Allott**

**Magdalena Drodz**

**Solomon English**



# SPORTS AND OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

## BLUES

Jasper Dix	Rugby (Co-secretary of OURFC)
Louis Jackson	Rugby (Co-secretary of OURFC)
Dominic McLoughlin	Swimming
Dominic McLoughlin	Modern Pentathlon
Johann Perera	Hockey (Blues Captain)
Erin Robinson	Football (President of OUAFC following the merging of the men’s and women’s clubs – the first female President in the club’s 149 year history)

## HALF BLUES

Anne Calderbank	Eton Fives
Kate Culverwell	Rowing (Osiris)

## OTHER UNIVERSITY-LEVEL SPORT

Daniella Apodaca	Tennis (Women’s first team) Also won OULTC Club Championship in mixed doubles with Tom Perfrement (Lincoln)
Victoria Bagge	Cricket in Varsity matches, Tennis (third team) in Varsity match
Indus Barnes	Athletics in Varsity match
Anna Coutts	Tennis (Women’s fourth team)
Joel Fraser	Football (Third team)
Alex Goldsack	Archery
Joel Haines	Rifle Club (President and Captain)
Benjamin Hyman	Futsal
Hannah Jauncey	Athletics in Varsity match (Javelin and Discus)
Azmi Rahman	Gliding in Varsity match
Madison Tung	Women’s Rugby (Second team Varsity match)
Beatriz Vicario Santos	Kickboxing, Volleyball (Social Secretary for Volleyball)
Angus White	Rugby (Selected for Greyhounds)
Jemima White	Modern Pentathlon in Varsity match

## COLLEGE SPORT

Harriet Tubb	Elis White Memorial Trophy for the most improved novice rower
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## COLLEGE LIBRARY

**T**he concept of what a Library truly is has been in the forefront of our minds this past academic year. My day is usually punctuated by heavy footsteps up the creaking wooden steps, requests for staplers from friendly faces, gentle admonitions for too much laughter and chatter (the sound carrying in odd ways throughout the space) and tea breaks with my team as we negotiate the terms in a predictable flow.

Instead, in early 2021, I returned from maternity leave virtually. Entering the Library spaces rarely in a rota with the team, and only then when students had vacated them, became the norm. Being the only person in our beautiful Library usually feels like a privilege and an oasis of calm but this year it has been tinged with melancholy too.

That's not to say that we have not been incredibly active behind the scenes. While in theory the Library was open purely as a study space, in practice we have never been busier. The generous Alumni donations from 2020 allowed us to continue to send items across the country and the world to our students who could not return to Oriel. For those on site we purchased duplicate copies of material to ensure everyone could have prompt access to items without having to wait for quarantine periods or risk coming into the space. We purchased wellbeing material to help support staff and students struggling with these difficult times and we contributed to Oxford wide initiatives for eBook purchasing and scanning material for reading lists.

We worked hard with our Domestic Office to ensure that the Library remained a safe space for all of our readers. A juggling act of multiple households, social distancing,



booking systems, the need to keep things scrupulously clean and allow staff time to shelve and collect requests. Each term has meant tweaking processes and the space to allow the most amount of time for the greatest number of students. In Hilary term we had 902 bookings and in Trinity Term this rose to 2,359 bookings as we found a system that worked as best as it could.

We have continued to be active using social media (Twitter @oriellibrary and Instagram @orielcollegelibrary) to reach out to those who could not access the space. We have also created new virtual book displays to showcase our collections. In May we promoted our new Wellbeing collection for Mental Health Awareness Week and in June we celebrated Pride Month.

Now that the students have mostly left we are busy moving and sorting through over 500 metres of books as we start a major refurbishment of some of our first floor space. Rolling stacks are being removed and the ceiling is being replaced, with the addition of a new lighting scheme to create a brighter, more welcoming group study area that has long been requested by our readers. We will also be installing a new security system and self-service machines to provide a smoother borrowing process for all.

It has been all change for the Library Team this year too. I would like to thank Eleanor Kelly, my maternity cover who has now returned to St Hilda's College, for her hard work in exceptional circumstances. Also, Ikhlas Osman, Assistant Librarian, who left at the end of last academic year. This meant we were able to promote Chantal van den Berg to Senior Library Assistant (Technical Services) and in January we welcomed Nadia Azimikorf as Senior Library Assistant (Reader Services). The full team has yet to meet in person, something we hope to rectify very soon, but has quickly bonded over virtual tea breaks and an infectious enthusiasm for all things Oriel and Library related.

Despite the challenging circumstances, it has been a positive year for proving the value of the Library as both our professional expertise and printed collections have been in constant demand. We have continued to benefit not only from the Alumni fund but also donations to Orielensia and the rest of the collection. Many thanks this year go to the Revd Dr Robert Wainwright, Professor Andrew Boothroyd, Mark Harmon, Dr Chris Conlon, Benedict Morillo, Fred Unwalla on behalf of the Pontifical Institute of Mediaeval Studies in memory of Jeremy Catto, David Hornsby, Blackwell's Bookshop, Odessa Ng, Miranda Davies, Ashley Beck, Astra Emir, Michael Devereux and for many anonymous donations. Please do get in touch if we've missed you.

*Hannah Robertson*  
*Librarian*

## OUTREACH

The past eighteen months have seen a total change in the way outreach activities are conducted by the Higher Education sector. Having implemented a full virtual outreach programme for Oriel during this time in order to maintain relationships with all seven of our link areas (Herefordshire was added during the 2019-20 academic year), it will be great to see virtual activities continue alongside a return to our regular busy programme of in-person visits to and from the College. A hybrid approach will give a true 'best of both worlds' edge to the way the University is able to attract and connect with prospective applicants from all backgrounds, especially those from underprivileged or otherwise underrepresented groups, schools, and locations.

Although it has been disappointing to have a full academic year without in-person outreach activities, it has been a productive one, alongside the obvious benefits of keeping our Oriel community as safe as possible. Almost 230 virtual events have taken place for a wide spectrum of age groups, the majority delivered to schools in our linked areas of West London and the West Midlands. Four Virtual Study Days took place for academically able state school students from across the UK, with expert assistance from academic staff in English, PPE, Medicine, and Classics. Participants were able to access sessions live or as recordings to suit their own needs and schedules, and books chosen by academics were sent as a follow-up to support participants' further exploration. It is hoped that events such as this one can continue into the future as part of a hybrid outreach programme, to enable the College to engage meaningfully with talented prospective candidates irrespective of geography or room capacity.

Work on the development of the Oxford for West Midlands consortium alongside Keble and University Colleges continued in earnest, and included a series of well-attended webinars in autumn 2020: the first in the series was attended by almost 500 young people. Oriel continues to support Target Oxbridge and is looking forward to increasing its involvement in this programme in the future, as well as forming partnerships with other external organisations as part of its commitment to fairness and inclusivity. Both of these values, and their role in university outreach programmes, have never been more important: I hope you share my excitement for how Oriel continues to develop in this area. After four busy years at Oriel, I will be leaving at the end of the summer to take up a new role elsewhere in the University. I am proud of the progress that has been made during my time as Outreach Officer, but also optimistic that my successor and all who will work with them will be able to achieve even greater things in Oriel's pursuit of fair access, diversity, and inclusivity.

*India Collins-Davies*  
*Outreach Officer*

## VISITING FELLOWSHIP IN MUSIC 2020-21

From its first year in 2008, the Visiting Musician scheme has successfully secured the services of a wide range of highly distinguished musicians. In recognition of this distinction, and in order to encourage further development, the Governing Body voted at its meeting of 20th May 2020 to reconceive the scheme as a Visiting Fellowship in Music. Visiting Fellows will be elected for two years, enabling them to develop a closer relationship with the College and to pursue longer-term projects.

We have been very fortunate to appoint as our first Visiting Fellows the husband-and-wife partnership of countertenor Andreas Scholl and keyboardist Tamar Halperin. Both have established substantial international reputations for themselves; and their partnership has produced a number of imaginative and distinctive collaborations.

Conditions during the first year of the Visiting Fellowship meant that all events had to be held online. Andreas and Tamar remained at home in Germany, and we connected with them via Zoom. The limitations of the medium were self-evident; but there were benefits too: attendance by people who might not normally have been able to come; and for events involving dialogue, there was an intimacy that a large Hall would not have afforded.

The first virtual residency took place at the beginning of Sixth Week of Michaelmas term. It began with a question-and-answer session with Andreas entitled 'Be the Message'. The central theme explored a striking difference between singers in the domains of classical and popular music: in the former, the performer is trained to subjugate themselves to the text of the song; in the latter, the identity and character of the singer is part of the content of the music. Andreas advocated bridging the gulf to develop a more personal approach to performing classical repertory through cultivation of a singing persona that is also part of the message of the performance. On the second day, Tamar gave a lecture demonstration of key choice in the music of JS Bach as part of the Music Faculty's graduate colloquium. She discussed eighteenth century theories of key meaning and considered how differences between keys could be detected in the



The online Masterclass held by Oriel's Visiting Fellows in Music

choice and treatment of material in compositions by Bach. The climax of this first virtual residency was an evening event for alumni on the Wednesday, 'Meet Tamar Halperin and Andreas Scholl', in which the two answered questions about their life and work with music. It began and ended with song performances from their studio in Germany.

The second residency took place at the beginning of Fourth Week of Hilary term, again over three days. On the Monday and Wednesday there was a pair of webinars entitled 'Preparing for a performing career in music', the first on teaching (what to get out of it and what to give back through it) and the second offering tips (all the things you need to know about performing but are not told at music college). In between them, on the Tuesday evening, was a Masterclass. This proved something of a technical tour de force, with Andreas and Tamar in their studio in Germany; the participants (Anna Townsend, alto, and Benjamin Banks, piano) in College, braving a rather cold Senior Library and linked via a camera, screen and headphones; and the audience of college members and alumni here, there and everywhere. Anna and Ben performed *Fidelity* by Haydn and *Die Mainacht* by Brahms. They were taken through every detail of vocal delivery, dramatic characterisation and expressive nuance of these songs and developed their performances, which were already very fine at the start, to an even higher level over the course of the hour.

Despite the impediments, it has been a very successful first year for the Visiting Fellowship. I express the College's gratitude: to Andreas and Tamar, for the gracious participation and enthusiastic response to the challenges of online presentation; to all those in the Development and Alumni Engagement Office who helped the events to run smoothly; and to recent and current chairs of the Alumni Music Society, Michael Rich and Julian Armstrong, who have done so much to help the development of the scheme and to sustain its activities during the transition. The Alumni Music Society remains actively involved in the Visiting Fellowship and continues to provide an invaluable support.

*David Maw*  
*Fellow and Director of Music*

## ORIEL ALUMNI ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This report is my second as Chair of the Oriel Alumni Advisory Committee (OAAC), a committee of the College the purpose of which is to represent the interests of all alumni and to help foster relations between the College and its former students, former staff and friends. The OAAC membership, which is intended to reflect over time the alumni base, is listed below.

I had hoped that my report would not be dominated, as it was last year, by matters relating to COVID-19 and Cecil Rhodes, but both have remained challenging issues in College and alumni life recently. However, as I write the government is lifting most COVID-19 restrictions, and the College has done much work on Rhodes matters which I will discuss briefly later. There are therefore some grounds for optimism as we approach the new academic year.

The virtual world we have all been inhabiting since the first COVID lockdown has generated many opportunities for alumni to interact online with each other and the College. Most have been enhancements to the usual alumni experience, and we hope that these will continue even when normality returns.

Our first ever virtual Alumni Weekend began on 12th September 2020 with an update from the Provost on College matters, particularly how students were dealing with the various pandemic constraints. It continued with 'How Biomedical Sciences are central to tackling COVID – the role of Orielenes', a conversation between Professor Max Crispin and George Moody Fellow Professor Lynne Cox on current research into COVID-19. In 'Would you like ice with that? From cocktails to climate change' Dr Andrew Wells explained the potential fate of the Greenland and Antarctic ice sheets in a warming world, combining computational simulations and observations from satellites and polar exploration.

There were also pre-recorded items from Professor Hindy Najman on the Dead Sea Scrolls, Professor Gonzalo Rodriguez-Pereyra on 'Can I lose a hand', an exploration of paradoxes and metaphysics, as well as updates on the Library and the College's Outreach work, and recordings from the College Choir. Although we would all no doubt have preferred to be in College for the weekend, the opportunity to hear from our academic Fellows was a wonderful one and set the scene for many other online events during the year. All recordings are available at: <https://alumni.oriel.ox.ac.uk/virtual-alumni-weekend-2020-recordings/>.

In the absence of the Champagne Concerts, which are normally high points for many alumni, our new visiting Fellows in Music, the countertenor Andreas Scholl and keyboard player Tamar Halperin, ably stepped into the breach. A series of online events were held in November and February which they joined from their studio in Germany. A Masterclass with students Anna Townsend and Benjamin Banks, livestreamed from the Senior Library, proved particularly popular.

The Oriel Women's Network has also been very active in organising online events. Speakers and topics so far this year have been: Laura Ashley-Timms (1985) 'Goal setting for 2021'; Fiona Lovatt (1991) 'Beating Burnout'; and Lizzie Broadbent (1989) 'Forgotten Women, Hidden Networks'. Readers will recall that these events used to take place in The Star Tavern in Belgravia, and it is to be hoped that they will soon return there. More information on the network can be found at: <https://alumni.oriel.ox.ac.uk/oriel-womens-network/>.

Career development has been a lockdown subject of keen interest to alumni, and Orielenses Stefan Stern, Laura Hawksworth and Tamara Quinn (all 1986) led an informal evening on 25th February entitled 'The Truth about Careers', involving discussion on a variety of topics from internships to leadership and work-life balance. There was also an online panel on 'Finance Careers' on 17th June aimed at alumni and students considering careers in the sector and involving Annabel Bosman (1993), Mahgul Ansari (2000), Gabriella Arias (2017) and myself. There are panels planned for other sectors and I would urge alumni interested in helping Oriel students to navigate the world of work to register for Oriel Connect at: <https://alumni.oriel.ox.ac.uk/connect/career-development-and-mentoring/oriel-connect/>.

The online world has also given alumni the opportunity to experience the research of various MCR members on topics of current interest. 'Climate Change' on 3rd March involved: Sugandha Srivastav, whose research focuses on Environmental Economics in innovation, energy and environmental, public and political economies; Charlie Tebbutt, who is completing social-ecological systems research into forest fires in the Colombian Amazon; and Eleanor Thompson, who uses drones and satellites to map diversity in tropical forests. 'Healthcare' on 20th May involved: Lauren Overend on the significance of Sepsis; Azmi Rahman on research into knee replacements; and Jean-Christophe Spiliotis on antimicrobial innovation and patent policy. The MCR is a very broad church in research terms, and many alumni have enjoyed this new initiative, which we intend to continue.

However, there is understandably significant pent-up demand for live alumni events. Although the London Dinner at the House of Lords on 8th July has had to be deferred until 2022, it is already sold out. There has been an enthusiastic take-up for the College Garden Party on 14th August, and also for the Alumni Weekend beginning with dinner in the newly-refurbished Hall on Friday 17th September. No doubt alumni interactions will happen in both live and online formats in future, giving many more alumni than previously the opportunity to interact with their peers and College.

Now to matters Rhodes. Following protests outside the College on 9th June last year, the Governing Body voted to launch an independent Commission of Inquiry into the key issues surrounding the Rhodes statue on the High Street Building. They also expressed their wish to remove the statue and the plaque in King Edward Street. The Commission

was chaired by Carole Souter, CBE, Master of St Cross College and former Chief Executive of the National Lottery Heritage Fund and, while noting the Governing Body's wish to see the statue removed, had licence to consider a full range of options.

Alumni will all now be aware of the conclusions that the Commission, of which I was a member, reached, but some additional clarity may be helpful. The Commission sought views from a wide variety of interested parties. There were also detailed discussions on matters of equality, diversity and inclusion, the College's historic association with Rhodes and the difficulties and potential opportunities arising from this, as well as the future of the Rhodes memorials themselves.

The Commission received over 1,400 submissions, the vast majority of which recommended retention of the memorials. These included 338 submissions from alumni, of which 222 opposed and ninety-five supported moving the statue. Many of the submissions argued for significant contextualisation whatever happened to the statue, the future of which prompted some very persuasive submissions from alumni on both sides of the debate. Full details are in the Commission's report available on the College website.

The Commission made a series of recommendations which were agreed unanimously. On the future of the statue, a majority supported the Governing Body in its stated wish for removal, but a minority felt that it was not the role of the Commission to comment on the Governing Body's vote but rather to provide relevant information to enable a final decision to be taken. In particular, the minority felt that the College had wider considerations than the remit of the Commission, such as its responsibilities as a registered charity and the cost and feasibility of removal, and therefore should be left to take the decision with all facts available.

The Governing Body considered the report at length and, in light of the considerable obstacles, decided not to begin the legal process for removal but to focus on delivering the Commission's recommendations around the contextualisation of the College's relationship with Rhodes, as well as improving educational equality, diversity and inclusion amongst its student cohort and academic community. No doubt alumni will take a keen interest as the College delivers on these commitments. The OAC would like to thank all alumni who made submissions or participated otherwise in the Rhodes debate.

Finally, on OAC matters, alumni should be aware that our Terms of Reference stipulate regular turnover of members, and that the terms of six members will come to an end in 2023. Since one of the aims and objectives of the OAC is to seek to promote and reflect the diversity of those it represents this will be a significant opportunity to refresh the membership. Alumni will be notified of the process to select new members in the autumn of 2022.

My thanks to the OAAC members listed below and to the Development and Alumni Engagement Office for their continued help and support.

Floreat Oriel!

*Geoffrey Austin (1983)*

## THE ORIEL ALUMNI ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chair: Mr Geoffrey Austin (1983)

Secretary: Mr Hugh Bryant (1969)

Treasurer: Viscount Clive Mackintosh (1977)

Dr Michael Kenworthy-Browne (1957)

Mr John Cook (1965)

Mr John Slade (1976)

Mr Vincent Warner (1984)

Ms Laura Dosanjh (1986)

Miss Claire Toogood (1991)

Mrs Sarah Kiefer (2003)

Mr Markian Mysko von Schultze (2012)





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## CHAPEL MUSIC

A choir that sings evensong just twenty-four times a year gets through only a tiny part of the psalter. Psalm 119 is the longest psalm and suffers the most from this approach: it is encountered at best only in small parts. This year, we decided to level the balance a bit, and during Michaelmas and Trinity terms, the Choir sang through all 176 verses in weekly instalments. Those present for the whole were struck by the majesty of the poem, sustaining its balance of thematic unity and vivid imagery over an extended length. Those attending to the text verse by verse were struck how often the psalmist voiced sentiments true to the present day.

*Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way: even by ruling himself after thy word.*

At the beginning of Michaelmas term, singing was permitted only with groups of up to six singers, all individually distanced from one another. The Chapel's north and south galleries afforded space for such groups, which enabled the Choir to continue singing in a reduced form. Heavier restrictions in Hilary term reduced our active singers to a quartet of soloists on a rota. Only at the beginning of Trinity term was it possible to assemble a team resembling the Choir's normal size, still working in smaller groups. Judicious placement of singers around the Chapel enabled the full ensemble to be deployed at the end of term, showing the favourable acoustic properties of the building for polychoral arrangement of this sort and giving ideas for future deployment.

*I have applied my heart to fulfil thy statutes alway: even unto the end.*

As different regulatory regimes succeeded one another during the course of the year, restriction inspired invention. Sometimes invention was the resurrection of dormant repertory: Geoffrey Burgon's quirky canticles for treble and alto voices; Byrd's Mass for three voices; Leighton's *Second Service*. Sometimes, it was the trial of new pieces: Ives's *Listen, sweet dove*, Dufay's *Magnificat*; Ireland's haunting song, *Adoration*. At the beginning of Trinity term, the usually festive service for St George's Day was replaced with a commemoration of the life of His Royal Highness the Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, who had died a few weeks earlier. Despite the continuing cautions, it was possible to perform the Nunc dimittis of Stanford's G major service and *The Angel's Farewell* from Elgar's *The Dream of Gerontius* to convey a musical message of transcendence. The persistent exercise of invention prompted music lists rather different from normal.

*O that my ways were made so direct: that I might keep thy statutes!*

Invention was not the whole story. The strictures could lead also to more conservative choices of music. After a term of uncertainty, upset and privation, the Carol Service needed to be an occasion of reassurance for both singers and congregation. We

drew on music familiar from the services over the past few years. Later in the year, the impact of familiar music was enhanced by the privations preceding it. This was the case with the polychoral performances of Wood's *Canticles in D major* and Parry's *I was glad* at the end of Trinity term, both familiar from the Choir's virtual performances a year earlier. By contrast, the requirement in Hilary term to use only a solo voice occasioned performance of a highly appropriate piece that would not normally be suitable at Oriel. Bach wrote his solo cantata, *Ich habe genug*, BWV 82 for Candlemas in Leipzig in 1727. Loren Kell performed the slightly later version for soprano solo; and with the three arias spread out, the work punctuated and unified the service to great effect.

*I have gone astray like a sheep that is lost: O seek thy servant, for I do not forget thy commandments.*

Spacing the singers out was not a straightforward matter for a choir that had a significant number of new members and that had not had the opportunity to get used to working as a group. The skills of our choral teams were exercised to their limits. New singers were plunged directly into the deep end of choral practice. Balance, ensemble, intonation were constant challenges, far more than normal. Even basic details like the articulation and synchronisation of final consonants required extra thought. It is to the immense credit of all who participated that they were not intimidated by the challenge but rather inspired to tackle it with enthusiasm.

*Order my steps in thy word: and so shall no wickedness have dominion over me.*

Hopes to hold this year the tour to Rome deferred from last year were scotched. A more modest journey to an alternative destination had to be found. All the letters of Rome are in Bournemouth; and both places have prominent churches dedicated to St Peter; but unlike the Italian capital, Bournemouth sports an extended sandy beach and the world's largest fish and chips restaurant. Both contributed beneficially to the Choir's day out. On a mild and slightly drizzly day, only the Organ Scholar and Director of Music braved the chilly waters of the Channel; but the trip provided the whole group a welcome sense of conclusion and community to a disjointed and socially isolating year.

*I see that all things come to an end: but thy commandment is exceeding broad.*

This academic year was undeniably a difficult one. There was a greater than usual sense of relief when it reached its end. Even so, it was possible to reflect on some thrilling and beautiful performances. It was, of course, a moment to bid regretful farewell to some of our singers: Leo Gillard (Choral Scholar), Joseph Mathieson (Exeter College), Avery Mitchell (Visiting Student at St Catherine's College), Juliette Norrmén-Smith (Visiting

Student at Lady Margaret Hall), Hannah Soares (Choral Scholar), Natasha Sharma (Choral Exhibitioner) and Richard Taylor (Merton College); and also to our brilliant Organ Scholar, Benjamin Banks. Special thanks are due to Hannah Soares, who acted as an exceptionally capable Choir Chair for two years; Maxwell Penrose and Jerric Chong have taken over her role. And to Benjamin Banks, for his skills in organ playing and choral direction and for his entrepreneurial flair, which have made such a striking contribution to college music over the past three years. We are very sorry to see them all go. Thanks also to our other Choral Scholars and Exhibitioners, all other Choir members, and to Organ Scholar, Harry Baigent, for their work during the year.

*I will run the way of thy commandments: when thou hast set my heart at liberty.*

I ended last year's report noting that 'the prospects for next term are uncertain... but what is sure is that the Choir will rise to whatever challenges are posed of it.' No-one predicted then just how difficult the challenges would be; but my faith in the Choir's ability to rise to them was well placed. We all hope that the worst is now past and that next year will see a return to normal activity, or at least something much closer. It is one thing for the Choir to impress with its ingenious thriving against adversity; it is another for it to thrive normally as it should.

*David Maw*  
*Fellow and Director of Music*

## COLLEGE SPORTS

### ALTERNATIVE ICE HOCKEY

The Alternative Ice Hockey Club (ALTS) at Oriel has always been an inclusive environment that offers students an opportunity to have fun and meet new people. From the quick game pace to the stylish goals, hockey is a very exciting sport to watch and play. The team nature of this sport means that we bond very quickly, both on and off the ice, and I have very much enjoyed every moment of it. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, ALTS was not able to continue, but I am sure that once the rink reopens, we will be able to get the biscuit moving again! Thank you to those that have always been around and played for the Oriel team, an honourable mention must go to Monim for his courage and always being there to block a booming slap shot, and Alex for his unparalleled energy on the ice.

*Nicholas Ho, Captain*

### BADMINTON

What a year for the Oriel College Badminton Club! After months of uncertainty and shuttle-less nights, the team ended Trinity term on a massive high. Obviously, because of the current situation, we could not play as much as we would have liked but the Badminton Club has grown throughout the year, and we have fantastic depth to our squad. The commitment and dedication to the club – especially from Freshers – has been nothing short of exceptional. The perseverance of the players has meant that, when it came to Cuppers at the end of Trinity term, we incredibly made it to the quarter-finals. The Badminton Club went on a winning streak at the start of the term, which unfortunately came to an end in the quarter-final against Hertford.

It would be impossible to write this report without mentioning the names of some of our top players, who have contributed to this success. Harry Edwards (awarded Colours) is the N'golo Kanté of badminton; the Pacific Ocean covers one third of the Earth and Harry Edwards covers the rest. His quality and experience really boosts the team, on and off the court. Another notable mention is Simeon Whitbourn (awarded Colours), we like to call him the judge because he's always in control of the court. Although 'judging' by his smash, he also plays the role of jury and executioner. As next year's Captain, Simeon is the future of Oriel Badminton and it's great to see that the club's future is in safe hands. I would also like to thank James Gardner. As a very experienced player before he came to Oriel, James regularly coached the team and inspired greatness. Finally, I'd like to mention Elizabeth Foss who didn't lose a single women's game all year. As previously mentioned, the depth to our squad this year meant that choosing teams for games was incredibly hard. This was a nice problem to have and it meant I could rotate players to get as many

people playing as possible. It was really nice to see so many people wanting to get involved. We also had our first club night since the start of the pandemic. We had a great turn out and played some fun games and it was good to get back out on the court.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who played and participated in Badminton this year, it has been an absolute honour to be Captain and I hope to see everyone playing again next year.

*Ben Gilmore, Captain*

## BASKETBALL

It has been a great year for Oriel Basketball. We had a good combination of both returning players and Freshers in the team. Special recognition should go to Ilyas Dar, being the third Oriel Fresher in as many years to be selected to represent the University.

The season started quite slowly without any organised games until halfway through Trinity term. However, it was good to see players heading for the outdoor courts and playing in small groups when restrictions allowed.

Cuppers consisted of three group games followed by a semi-final and then a final. We comfortably beat St Catherine's, Worcester and St John's in our three group games. Ilyas led the way in scoring and Andrei Frandes' wingspan ensured we did not concede too many points. The semi-final was a tough match against St Catherine's, with their best player returning to the line-up after missing our first game. It was a close physical game with us winning by two points. The final was a loss against perennial champions St Anthony's. We managed to stay in the game for much of the first half but in the end their size advantage let them pull ahead. It was a good effort from the lads against a much older and bigger team from St Anthony's, a graduate college.

Everyone should be proud of how they played this year. Hopefully with a strong group returning once again, despite our having to say goodbye to Gabs who has finished his degree, I believe we can go one further next year and win Cuppers.

Colours were awarded to: Ilyas Dar, Joe Lawson, Andrei Frandes and Gabrielius Šlakaitis.

*Joseph Lawson, Captain*

## CRICKET

The Coronavirus pandemic had brought a stop to all team sport at Oriel, including cricket. It was, therefore, incumbent upon me to carry on the mantle and build on the success

of Josh Keeling who had captained Oriel's league-winning XI two years ago. And what a difficult task this was to be; not least because I, myself, hadn't played for the best part of half a decade, but also because the greatest curse of Trinity term loomed upon us: exams. One can only imagine what a season 2020 would have been without the pandemic, seeing as Oxfordshire had experienced the most idyllic weather in decades. Unfortunately, the same was not to be said of this year; the wet weather earlier on in the season had meant we could seldom get a game without cancellations or clashes with the Examination Schools. Nevertheless, the grit and determination of the Oriel XI was ever-present, and rain or shine we were always able to put a team out and face our opponents.

First year Peter Langton really threw himself into the sport this year, perhaps a little overzealously as he kicked off our season with a platinum duck after being bowled on the first ball of the innings against Christ Church. He did, however, redeem himself by taking two wickets in the second innings and later in the season proved himself to be a very competent all-rounder. It can also be said that true to the Oriel spirit, the Freshers really stepped up this year, and helped to carry the team: Joshua Williams was the team's highest scorer, with sixty-eight against Christ Church and a further forty-three against University College; Hugo Spindler was an excellent pair of safe hands in keeping the wicket; and Finn Andrews was the team's star bowler after bowling a two-wicket maiden against University College. These Freshers all received Colours for their outstanding contributions to College sport.

Whilst we did have some experienced cricketers on the side, our success this season came from the novice men and women who decided that they would try, and gave their all to the sport. Although it cannot be said that Oriel were often found delighting in the joys of victory, our willingness to play and that aforementioned grit and determination meant we were once again winners of our T20 league. Our Cuppers run this year was unfortunately cut short after an incredibly tough draw in the first round against University College (a formidable achievement considering we lost by one run on the last ball of the final over, and University College were Cuppers finalists).

Special thanks this season go to Angus White and Prateek Mehan for their exceptional leadership; Lee, the College Groundsman, for all the work he has done at the Bartlemas Ground; and to all members of the Oriel College Cricket Club, without whom this season's success could not have been realised. With the discovery of a bowling machine in the pavilion, and the fantastic commitment of its members, I am sure the Oriel College Cricket Club will continue to grow from strength to strength over the coming seasons. It has been a great pleasure serving as this year's captain. Floreat Oriel!

*Alvin Boateng, Captain*

## LACROSSE

Because of the Covid pandemic there has been little lacrosse action this year and so we have continued as captains from last year. Next year, the captainships will pass to Anna Coutts and Teniola Adesanya.

*Angus Denison-Smith and Anna Tippett, Captains*

## FOOTBALL MENS FOOTBALL

The 2020-21 season for OCFC started brightly, with the hope of bouncing back and building upon last season's disappointing narrow miss on league promotion. With students keen to return to team sports, OCFC saw a promising increase in squad size. Our first match was a comfortable 3-1 away victory over rivals Pembroke – which included a debut goal from one of our cohort of football Freshers. Therefore, there was ample excitement for a potential battle for league promotion if the season ended up going ahead.

However, due to the national health situation, the league never went ahead. Nevertheless, we proceeded to organise friendlies with the strongest college sides in Oxford to aid our player development for next season. Our second match was at home against Worcester, a strong side that posted an impressive third place in last year's JCR Premier Division. A narrow 2-1 loss gave us lots of confidence going forward, as the opposition fielded a particularly strong team full of University football players.

In spite of our promising results, our closest and most disappointing match of the season came, in the Countdown Cup, at home against St John's. We took an early lead, going into half time 1-0 up. However, a dramatic second half full of exciting end-to-end football and multiple lead changes ended with a heart-breaking 5-4 loss.

With a couple of key players returning from abroad and a whole new cohort of Freshers, there is a great deal of hope that next year, under the leadership of Ben Hyman, Oriel will finally convert all of the potential and talent within the team into a promotion and a deep run in cuppers.

*Fernando Almansa Moreno de Barreda, Captain*

## WOMENS FOOTBALL

There has unfortunately not been much women's football played at all this year. In Michaelmas, the Oriel-Christ Church team had a low turnout for a couple of training

sessions, but matches were cancelled due to the winter lockdown. We are looking forward to returning to normality next year!

*Laura Wilson (Christ Church), Captain*

## NETBALL

Having made our way to the top of Division Two at the end of Hilary term 2020, Oriel College Netball Club are now taking Division One by storm. In accordance with government guidelines, the club was only able to come together on a couple of occasions for training in Michaelmas 2020. Nonetheless, as soon as Trinity began, Oriel leaped back into action, as if no time had passed at all.

Training sessions kept Sunday lunchtimes busy with skills exercises and match play, come rain or shine. Everyone threw themselves into the training sessions and matches, providing a different combination of players each week.



Team photo after the St Catherine's match, having won 10-5

As a substitute for the usual league that ran throughout the year, each college was allowed to submit one team into the Mixed Summer League which took place from week two to week six of Trinity term. With the passing of each week, Oriel went from strength to strength. The match results are as follows: 10-2 (win vs St Edmund Hall), 9-0 (win vs Pembroke), 18-8 (win vs Wadham), 10-5 (win vs St Catherine's) and 11-5 (win vs Exeter). Each win earned Oriel three points, resulting in a tie with St Hugh's and New for first place. The final positions were determined based on goal difference, which comfortably put Oriel in third place out of thirty-two colleges in the League.

This is an outstanding achievement. It is the result of the hard work, commitment, and exceptional camaraderie of the members, creating immense enjoyment in the sport. Oriel College Netball Club may not traditionally be the sporting face of the College but, rest assured, the Club has established itself as a force to be reckoned with. Bring on 2021-22.

*Fleur Whitworth, Captain*

## ROWING

### MEN'S ROWING

As we all know, the 2020-21 season certainly presented its challenges for OCBC. Starting the year being swamped by COVID-19 Risk Assessment work, we found that these documents were useful for about four weeks before we were plunged into another lockdown halfway through Michaelmas term. Hoping to return to the river in Hilary term, we were once again halted by government and University restrictions. With few students in Oxford from January to April, we were forced to remain land-bound for yet another few months. However, finally Trinity term arrived and we knew it was a term we were going to make the most of.

During the creatively-named 'Summer Torpids' competition, Oriel's M1 showed that they deserved their place at the Head of the River as they rowed over four days in a row, securing Headship for yet another year. Despite lacking the momentum there would have been from two previous terms of victories and successes, I am very proud of the focus and dedication our top men's boat showed this year. The result speaks for itself. After a rewarding final day of racing, though there was no official procession, our M1 returned home for a hearty Bump Supper and a spot of boat burning. Having continued the straight blue line at the top of the bumps charts, we hope that this is the only year Oriel will ever have to row in 'Summer Torpids'.

With bumps racing being moved to Seventh Week of Trinity term this year, we found that many of our usual rowers were tied down by exams. This was as well as the



**OURC's Headship Presentation for Oriel's first Summer Torpid, Linacre College gardens**

lack of novice recruitment we had earlier in the year. Despite not having our usual depth of squad, Oriel managed to conjure up an M2. With almost half the crew never having competed on the water before, M2's dedication showed as they crammed in as many sessions as possible over four weeks. After only one month of training, M2 gained their first racing experience in the ISL B, proving themselves as the tenth fastest second boat on the water. Though M2 unfortunately finished down two places in Summer Torpids, they improved drastically as the week went on. When it came to the final day, they were ready to fight and bump Green Templeton's M1, however, owing to Teddy Hall M2 not turning up to the start line the Oriel M2 did not get the chance to race. Disappointing as the last day was, I know that many of those who rowed in the M2 boat this term will stay with us next year as they get ready to improve even more.

There is a long list of people who make the running of the Boat Club possible, and limited space to thank them. Some of these people are: Peter Morris, my Vice Captain, and Zachary Zajicek, who once again offered his invaluable support this year. Dr Phillipp Grünewald proved yet again how vital the role of Senior Member is to the Boat Club – we cannot thank him enough. A number of other members of the College deserve thanks; amongst them are Wilf Stephenson, Samuel Henry, Juliane Kerkhecker, and Asefay Aberaha. I would also like to extend our gratitude to Matthew Aldridge, our Senior Coach, and all those who coached in supporting roles – including Robin Esjmond-Frey and Stevan Boljevic. Finally, I would like to thank my counterpart, Sarah Wisialowski, for everything we achieved together this year.

I would like to pass on my best wishes to my successor, Jake Swann. I wish him the best with his bumps campaigns, and I hope that he takes full advantage of what could be our most normal year in a long time.

*Henry Hawkins, Men's Captain*

### CREWS

#### **1st Summer Torpid (Head of the River) – granted Tortoise status:**

William Burrow, Iain McGurgan, Jake Swann, Leo von Malaisé, Zachary Zajicek, Peter Morris, James Halsall, Olly Featherstone, Henry Hawkins

#### **2nd Summer Torpid (32nd on the River):**

Diego Vurgait, Thibault Teissier, Sean Ernest Murray, Ben Gilmore, George Barker, David Seiferth, Arman Ramezani, Charles Qian, Siddiq Islam

#### **Squad:**

Dr Phillipp Grünewald (Senior Member), Jan Ole Ernst, Louis Lamont, Robert Boswall, Thomas Lister, Jack Delaney, Marcus Lima, Matthew Hamilton, Oscar Powell, Andrei Frandes, Alvin Boateng, Thomas Johnson, Indy Barnes, Imogen Albert



M2 going through 'The Gut' on the second day of Summer Torpids



W1 crew during Summer Torpids

### WOMEN'S ROWING

Despite the pandemic, the rain, and then social distancing, the Oriel women could not be stopped. I have had the absolute pleasure to lead a strong group of committed women during an undeniably difficult year. Although we have been spread across the country, and even the globe, nothing stopped us from training and our commitment to the Oriel.

Michaelmas term began with an amazing show from novices, although we were unable to have our usual BBQ and Wyndam's. Even when we were able to get together, the weather was against us, with flooding. No matter the weather, novices came out in force to their outings in the rain, and learned about the teamwork and solidarity to which Oriel is committed. When the November lockdown came into effect everyone, from novice to senior (and even some alumni), participated in a Lockdown Training Competition, during which our athletes took to ergos, bicycles and even their own living room floors. Our coaches, Sophia Heath and Matt Aldridge, teamed up to lead twice-a-day Zoom circuits, which kept us in shape and gave us some semblance of a social life.

As we moved into Hilary term, we went into another lockdown. The boathouse was no longer open, and the river remained empty. Nevertheless, the Oriel spirit remained strong. We fired up another training competition, and earned those kilometres.

As Hilary came to a close, the world began to open, and the news of a 'Summer Torpids' competition was finally announced. Bumps would truly be returning and we were finally able to get back into the Boathouse and onto the water. By Trinity term, we were able to train together in the serene beauty of Wallingford, and in our newly refurbished boathouse on the Isis. Throughout the setbacks, the Oriel women remained committed. Novices trained with novice coach Alfie Heath, and finally were able to go out on the water. The seniors, working with Sophia, pushed hard in preparation for the return of Bumps.

During Summer Torpids, without the usual crowd of spectators or festivity, the Oriel Spirit remained alive and the 'ORIEEEEELLLLL' chant could be heard through the livestream, sung by rowers on the bank. W1 rose one place overall, dropping 2 places on day one, but came back strong on day three, bumping Keble W1. In spite of a klaxon on the final day of racing, penalty bumps brought the strong Oriel W1 to finish third on the river. W2 dropped several places, but rowed as a cohesive team and kept us entertained on Instagram with their trials and tribulations. I know that they will be back next year ready to regain their spot.

There are so many people to thank for their help and support throughout this difficult year. First and foremost, a massive thank you is due to our amazing committee, and in particular to my Vice-Captain, Hannah Goode and our Boatswain, Zachary Zajicek. Also, of course, a huge thank you to my Co-Captain, Henry, with whom I had many a Zoom call throughout this past year. Thank you, Phil, for being a brilliant Senior Member and for being so patient with us throughout the year. Thank you to our coaches, Sophia and Alfie, for working so hard to keep training fun heedless of the challenges.

Lastly, I have to thank the rowers and coxswains themselves. It has been absolutely wonderful working with each and every one of them over this year. They put in the effort, the training and the time. I am very excited to be handing over to next year's Captain, Cassidy Hoeft. I have no doubt she will lead an exceptional squad and I am excited to see what Oriel women can accomplish under her leadership.

*Sarah Wisialowski, Women's Captain*



W2 crew during Summer Torpids

## CREWS

### W1 Summer Torpids:

Harry Gearty (cox), Cassidy Hoeft, Claire Aitken, Meredith Ellis, Eliška Freibergero, Hannah Goode, Eleanor Thomson, Amelia Stacey, Rochelle Moss, Renee Koolschijn

### W2 Summer Torpids:

Jack Delaney (cox), Grace Collen, Harriet Tubb, Blythe Eveleigh-Evans, Fleur Whitworth, Tatiana Wilson, Alice Haly, Leah Wynn, Anna Mae Zhao

### Squad:

Bailey Cameron, Ellie Greaves, Sarah Wisialowski, Laura Brookes, Ana Worm Hortelano, Grace Romans, Katie Rennie, Kate Taylor, Aimee Lammin, Kyana Palka

## RUGBY

The 2020-2021 season has seen some significant obstacles presented to both OCRFC and the world of rugby in general. For a sport whose characteristic features include close and violent physical contact, the social distancing requirements of the pandemic did their best to scupper OCRFC's chances of a highly successful season.

Consequently, the team was unable to play any fixtures this year, although we did manage a sole training session in November. The best of the news from the year might be the fact that two OCRFC players appeared in this year's Varsity Rugby match. Both Jasper Dix and Louis Jackson did OCRFC proud by making the starting XV. Each of them played the full eighty minutes and had decisive roles in Oxford's 34-7 victory.

Hopefully OCRFC can have a similarly successful season next year, and those of us graduating this year wish the team all the best!

*Finley Bacon, Captain*

## SQUASH

Due to its nature, squash was particularly badly hit by COVID-19 restrictions over the last year, with no games or training being held as a result. However, the team is looking forward to returning to the courts in the next academic year to build on our 2019-2020 performances.

*Simon Norris, Captain*

## TORTOISE CLUB

The Tortoise Club at heart has two primary purposes: the recognition and celebration of outstanding Oriel oarsmanship and the financial support of the Oriel College Boat Club. Any rower who achieved Tortoise status in their time at Oriel is automatically entitled to membership of the Club, including those who were previously members of the Blessed Virgins. The Club Council works to achieve the Club's fundraising aims alongside organising events and acting as a point of call for current Boat Club Captains seeking advice.

After two years without any Bumps racing, it was a pleasure to witness the ultimate use case for live streaming – broadcasting Oriel's pursuits as Head of the River to Tortoises who were unable to make it to the river bank.

Huge congratulations are in order for the M1 squad who put on a dominant performance all week long, reaping the rewards of their consistent training over the lockdown period. Alongside the Headship it was very encouraging to see every other Oriel crew working hard and getting bumps (even if W2's was after the finish line). Here's hoping for more bumping all round next year!

As the rest of the world returns to 'normal' so too will the Oriel rowing fans' social calendar: November sees the return of the Tortoise Club London Dinner and 2022 offers the prospect of three potential Headships across Torpids and Eights. Keen bumps historians will note that Eights 2022 would give Oriel the men's record for lifetime Headships over Christ Church, in addition to being the only college to achieve the Double Headship in Torpids.

We wish the best of luck to next year's Captains, Cassidy Hoefl and Jake Swann, in their quest to make these victories realities.

Should you find yourself with a burning desire to support the OCBC after reading the Captains' reports do not hesitate to reach out to me at [tortoise-president@orielrowing.org](mailto:tortoise-president@orielrowing.org) or the club directly at [captains@orielrowing.org](mailto:captains@orielrowing.org). Crews returning for a reunion Boat Club Dinner never fail to have a fantastic time and 2022 looks set to be incredibly busy. Beyond financial support the Club Council always wants to hear from Tortoises interested in getting more closely involved in the operation of the Club and those looking to return to the river.

Floreat Oriel!

*Stevan Boljevic (2014), President*



Looking forward to a return to Tortoise celebrations later this year

## TORTOISE CLUB LIFE BLADES

Founded in 1935, the Tortoise Club exists to recognise and celebrate outstanding Oarsmen and Oarswomen at Oriel and to provide financial support to the OCBC. It is this common bond that unites Tortoises and drives them to fight hard to keep Oriel at the pinnacle of collegiate rowing. Membership is earned on the river, and much like the memories and friendships, lasts a lifetime.

Each of us received generous support and advice from our predecessors and so, in turn, do what we can to pass on the same to the OCBC. Donating Tortoises, honoured as Blades, support the OCBC with about £20,000 a year.

Blades who support the Boat Club with a one-off or cumulative donation of £10,000 become Life Blades and are included, if they wish, in the 1.1 and 2.1 Life Blades photograph panels. They are also separately identified in the annual Oriel College Record Tortoise Blades membership list.

The Tortoise Club urges Tortoises to become OCBC supporting Blades and especially honours Tortoises who are able to be especially supportive as Life Blades. Four Tortoises have become Life Blades since the scheme was founded in 2016 and we look forward to welcoming more in the years to come.

## THE ORIEL WOMEN'S NETWORK

The Oriel Women's Network continues to grow since its launch in early 2020. Whilst our efforts this year have understandably been exclusively online, we have been far from quiet. We continue to strive towards meeting our goal to foster a global community for the College's alumnae, students, academics, and staff to:

- meet and form meaningful connections
- celebrate milestones and women's achievements
- enrich the College's community
- provide support for one another

Our online community continues to grow with over 200 Oriel women now connected with us on Facebook and LinkedIn, and we have enjoyed hearing updates and sharing memories of everyone's time at Oriel.

We have also worked hard to provide online events for the network. In January 2021 we ran our first Oriel Women's Network 'Conversations' event. These online events, where we hear from an Orielenis and then split into smaller groups to discuss further, have been hugely popular and created opportunities for many alumnae to reconnect no matter where they are based. From Singapore to Sweden and New York to London, our global community is stronger than ever. We are so grateful to our excellent Oriel speakers Laura Ashley-Timms (1985), Fiona Lovatt (1991) and Lizzie Broadbent (1989) for giving their time to present to the group. We've enjoyed learning about goal setting, having the chance to talk more about burnout, and speaking further about the history of women's networks.

Moving forward we have now set up a dedicated steering group of alumnae, who will support the Development and Alumni Engagement team as the network continues to grow. We are looking forward to the 40th anniversary of the admission of women to Oriel in 2025 and are already beginning to plan how we can best celebrate and mark this occasion. There have also been opportunities to connect with the wider College community, most recently at the Women's Dinner in June organised by JCR Women's Officer Ellie Greaves. We hope that more students will begin to engage with the network as a result.

If you would like to hear more about the network or have any questions please contact [kathryn.ferguson@oriel.ox.ac.uk](mailto:kathryn.ferguson@oriel.ox.ac.uk).

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The Women's Dinner, socially distanced in the Champneys Room

## ORIEL ALUMNI GOLF

Some fourteen Oriel golfing alumni enjoyed a delightful day in September 2020 competing for the Oriel Challenge Cup at Woking Golf Club. This was the twenty-seventh annual autumn meeting of the Oriel Alumni Golf Society, in an unbroken series since its inauguration. Woking was established early on as the venue. It is a most beautiful course, set in tranquil pinewoods, ranking among the top twenty courses in England. The great Tom Watson (eight-time major champion) famously described the first hole at Woking as ‘a warm handshake from an old friend’, such is the standing of the course in the world of golf. Tom’s words certainly resonate with those who regularly take part in this event. While its large undulating greens present a challenge even to the best golfers, its wide fairways are reasonably forgiving for the less talented – although extensive heather and winding brooks must still be avoided.

The event offered a most welcome opportunity to get out in reasonable safety in a year of necessary restrictions to counter the COVID-19 pandemic. Whilst adhering to social distancing conditions, the group enjoyed a convivial lunch after the morning’s eighteen-hole Stableford competition. Richard Wells (1953), one of the founders of the Society and a former captain of Woking, again kindly provided the prizes to accompany the Challenge Cup. This year as usual the contest was very tight, with several contenders scoring highly. Steve Philpott (1974) narrowly prevailed with a score of thirty-five points, playing off a handicap of fourteen. Congratulations to Steve on his first win in this competition. Honourable mentions also are due to John Webster (1975) and Charles Allen (1976), who finished in second and third places respectively.

This enjoyable fixture was followed by what felt like a particularly long winter, and we were looking forward to the annual Oxford University Intercollegiate Golf Competition at Frilford Heath in April. This event typically attracts around 150 Oxford alumni from across the country and indeed around the world. Oriel had achieved an excellent second place in 2019 and had had hopes to go one better in 2020, but the pandemic meant the event had to be cancelled. We were again hopeful for our chances in 2021. Unfortunately, the ongoing pandemic left the competition organisers with no option but to cancel for the second year running. We all hope for continued progress in beating the pandemic, and are proud of Oxford’s scientific contribution to this. If the intercollegiate competition can take place in 2022, then with a strong field from which to select an Oriel team, and no doubt conscientious practice over the fallow years, 2022 could turn out to be the year we win!

New faces are always welcome to join the autumn meetings of the Golf Society or to bid to take part in the Oriel alumni team competing in the intercollegiate competition in the spring. For more details please contact the Development Office.

*Graham Davies (2009) and Steven Wood (1969)*







# FEATURES

## GILBERT WHITE IN THE ANTHROPOCENE

**Sermon preached at the Commemoration of Benefactors Service on Sunday 25th October 2020 by Professor Yadvinder Malhi**

**T**he Reverend Gilbert White was born 300 years ago, on 18th July 1720. He gained a BA from Oriel College in 1743, a Fellowship of the College in 1744 and was ordained in 1747. He retained his College Fellowship and some years later made an unsuccessful application for the post of Provost. However, for almost all his life he lived in the beautiful Hampshire village of Selborne.

His house there is now a museum dedicated to his legacy. A few weeks ago I took a post-lockdown opportunity to visit the house and its beautiful and expansive gardens. As an ecologist Fellow at Oriel, I wanted to better understand the figure and his contribution and legacy. The house and its setting were gorgeous, nestled in the rolling hills and forested valleys of the South Downs. But I confess to being a little underwhelmed at first impression. It was a home in a beautiful, cosy setting for sure, as are many houses in that landscape, but why exactly was White so revered?

It was hard not to be struck by the contrast with his near-contemporary (their lives overlapped by some twenty years), the explorer and scientist Alexander von Humboldt, a figure widely revered as a founding father of ecology and the environmental sciences. Humboldt travelled the underexplored reaches of the Americas, collecting vast ranges of scientific observations, building up grand cross-disciplinary theories of how the natural world worked, engaging with local and regional politics in continents and nations brimming with new frontiers of discovery and political revolution. White, on the other hand, lived a largely comfortable life nestled in the familiarity of the South Downs. In contrast to Humboldt's audacious intellectual and geographical reach, almost all of White's writings are about one very small area, the vicinity of his house and garden, and he limited himself to meticulous observation rather than venture into grand Theories of Nature. He hated to travel and suffered badly from coach-sickness. The furthest he seems to have voyaged in his entire life was to Exeter and Norwich, and the journey from Selborne House to Oriel College seemed to be one of his few regular journeys. This was at a time when naturalists were sharing specimens and ideas from across Europe. In contrast to Humboldt's frequent engagement with tumultuous politics, White's writings barely mention the wider human-political world, including the American Declaration of Independence, wars in Europe, and France and Britain struggling for domination of India.

Instead, White wrote in detail about such things as plants, birds and worms. He patiently observed the flowering times of plants, the migration patterns of birds, even the hibernation routines of his pet tortoise Timothy, purely for the joy of understanding them. While there was a burgeoning interest in the cataloguing of the living world,

White seems to have been the first to write so prolifically about the *behaviour* of animals. But this engaging, empathic writing about the natural world struck a chord. Gilbert White's most famous book, *The Natural History and Antiquities of Selborne*, which is mainly a collection of his letters to eminent scientists, was published in the momentous year of 1789, when Revolution was wracking France and the Old Order of Europe looked on in horror and fear. *The Natural History* remains, however, the fourth-longest constantly-in-print book in the English language, after only the *King James Bible*, the *Complete Works of Shakespeare* and *The Pilgrim's Progress*. Why is this book so appealing, and why is it important?

The appeal of the book comes from White's detailed first-hand observation of the natural world. He thought many naturalists were too desk-bound, and too focused on the anatomical study and categorisation of dead specimens rather than understanding the intricate and detailed stories that nature had to tell. As an ecologist perhaps more attuned to the Humboldtian tradition, I recognise the immense value of his approach as a counterpoint to planet-spanning snapshots. That detailed observation of one locale for a long time is essential to tease apart the stories and tales and mechanics of the living world. Such are the foundations of long-term ecology, an approach that is essential as we seek to understand and manage our rapidly-changing natural world.

What White's astute observational eye revealed was an understanding and empathy of animals as beings in themselves, with rich inner lives and complex behaviours and wants and needs. He laid open the wonder of a world in which creatures existed for their own purposes and needs, not as accessories to the drama of human history, but as vital, aware, self-motivated entities, 'nations' in themselves.

One example is the migration of birds, which he described as 'a winged nation'. In the eighteenth-century it was a mystery what the swallows, martins, and swifts, along with other birds that appeared only over the summer months, did during the winter. Did they bury themselves underground? The idea that such small animals flew off to the distant and exotic lands of Africa seemed inconceivable. White's observations did not prove the migration idea, but revealed it as a possibility, and also provided no evidence for a location where the birds would bury themselves and disappear.

It was such acute observation of change and behaviour that added the history to natural history. He is often called the first natural historian; a fair case could be made for calling him the first ecologist, although that emerging science would not bear that name until 1866. One demonstration of his ecological mindset, that is his awareness of the connections between beings, is his regard for the humble earthworm and its ecological importance, when most contemporary opinion regarded it as an ugly-looking pest.

*“Earthworms, though in appearance a small and despicable link in the chain of nature, yet, if lost, would make a lamentable chasm. [...] worms seem to be the great promoters of vegetation, which would proceed but lamely without them...”*

A world view that sees humanity as but one member of a community of animal and plant ‘nations’ is a way of seeing the world that is intrinsic to many indigenous world views, including those of Europe, and elements of it can be found throughout Christian writings. However, this way of seeing had retreated in prominence in medieval Europe, and been further diminished by the elevation of the power of reason in the Enlightenment, which enhanced a sense of human superiority over Nature. White’s combination of empathy with the inner lives of other species, married with the Enlightenment values of meticulous observation and quantification, was something new. His observations and writings made a quiet, patient starting contribution to a revolution that would eventually shake the foundations of our understanding of humanity’s place in the natural world. They began to ease in a view that cast a light on the natural world as a complex community of species, rather than humans being the sole or primary purpose of all Creation.

The door that Gilbert White eased ajar through his acute observation was one that Darwin, Wallace and others would throw wide open. Darwin’s early years were influenced and inspired by White’s writings, and he adopted such an acute observational approach for his legendary globe-spanning voyage on the *Beagle*. When, many decades later, Darwin published *The Origin of the Species*, that decentering of the human that White had inadvertently begun, took a huge leap forward. Humans were not only one part of a community of beings, humans emerged and evolved from the ecological and evolutionary webs of connection that weave that world together. And all of the few thousand-year span of human history was understood to float on a deep ocean of Earth time and evolution, thousands of millions of years deep, that is unfathomable and almost incomprehensible in its scale.

This embedding of humanity in a wider natural world is a journey that is incomplete. I believe that the greatest challenge of our age is how we as a species and a civilization come to terms with the assumption that human history and social and economic progress could be divorced from the natural world and its webs of connection and interdependence. This assumption, which has served us fairly well since the Enlightenment, is being acutely challenged and its contradictions revealed as our civilization approaches the planet’s biophysical boundaries.

Addressing this profound challenge is complex and multi-faceted. But certainly, one key component of the change needed is one of world view, one of humility towards the natural world and its shared community of beings and inner lives. Such humility

and appreciation is made possible by acute observation, empathy and delight in the mysteries and quirks of other species, qualities that White reveals in his writings. These powers of empathy and close observation are needed more than ever as we recognise and understand how much of nature's riches have been lost from our world, and as we seek to restore and reweave the frayed fabric of our land's, and our planet's, biological diversity. Whether we make those observations ourselves in the field, or as awe-struck participants when we sit down and watch David Attenborough's joy and delight in his latest programme, we are all direct heirs of Gilbert White and his approach to seeing the world. The door to a new way of seeing and humility that he helped ease open is one that has led to a long and unexpected path to the present day, and becomes even more important as we collectively try and work out where this path leads beyond.



Gilbert White's House and Gardens at Selborne (photo courtesy of Gilbert White's House)

S'aur pour la douce remembrance  
 Que i'auoie eu toute esperance  
 Que omme de ce que ie pensoie  
 Que bienneur i'auoie d'ice  
 Et pour ce que i'auoie au retour  
 Et ueoir son tres noble a cour  
 Amoit fis en dieu et en chant  
 Et e ce que presentement chant  
 Et donneur l'amour  
 Et air vne l'air.



**D**ame de qui tout ma ioye vient. Je ne  
 Rat les loer a touz il appartient Ser uir.

Vous plus toy amer ne chier.  
 Doubter l'hy nouer uole u.

Car le gracieus espoir. toute vaine que i'ay de uous vo u.

ne fait. e. toy plus de bien et de ioye. Qu'en ceur auil aus

de ceur ne p'roie e Ceur.

**C**ha dous espies eu vie me souuient  
 Et me nozzit en aueus de ar  
 Et de ce moy mer tout ce q'ouuient

**P**our contorcer mo cuer et rehou  
 Et il ne sen part manu ut sou  
 A moys ne fait doucement reuou.

Machaut depicted writing the ballade 'Dame, de qui' whose musical setting is given. From Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale de la France, fonds français 1586, folio 47v

## RECONSTRUCTING THE EROTIC MUSICALITY OF GUILLAUME DE MACHAUT'S SONGS

The name of Guillaume de Machaut is less well known today than those of Dante Alighieri (thirty-five at his birth in c.1300) or Geoffrey Chaucer (thirty-four at his death in 1377). Whilst the positions of Dante and Chaucer are secure in literary history, Machaut's is more equivocal. His writing continued an already illustrious tradition inaugurated two centuries earlier by the troubadours of southern France. His prolific output of lyric and narrative courtly love poetry is apt to seem less significant than that of earlier or later figures whose thought was more personal and themes more diverse.

However, Machaut also wrote the music of his songs and has, in this capacity, an undeniable claim to historical importance. Many of the troubadours wrote melodies for their poems; but Machaut went far beyond them, adopting at times highly elaborate polyphony to his musical expression. Advanced musical thinkers of his day recognised their era as a new one for music (*Ars nova*). Machaut's work belonged to this new era. His songs exploited old and new styles self-consciously. By the late 1330s, the situation was so widely appreciated that he could drop casual allusion to 'musicians skilled in the old and new style' into his narrative poem, *Remede de Fortune*.

Machaut's work occupies a central focus for modern scholars thanks to the efforts that he took to ensure its longevity. He spent the first part of his life in service at the court of John of Luxembourg, King of Bohemia. After John's death at the Battle of Crécy in 1346, he was pensioned off to a canonry at Rheims Cathedral. This was the moment when interest was kindled in the distribution of his works in dedicated manuscripts. A number of them still exist; and between these, the entirety of his musical and poetical output seems to have survived. He came to conceive his oeuvre as an entity in itself, prefacing it with a *Prologue* in which he depicted Nature and Love commissioning his work.

The music contained in these manuscripts constitutes the single largest corpus written by a known individual to have survived from the period; and it includes examples of all the genres of the time. Musicological rediscovery of it began in 1802, when Christian Kalkbrenner cited two pieces in his *Histoire de la Musique*. The earliest scholars were puzzled by the musical style: 'the harmony of [Machaut's] Mass has no appeal at all to a trained ear. Its impact is harsh and primitive', opined François Louis Perne. Only a few of Machaut's compositions were known by the end of the nineteenth century. The first complete edition (1926-43) was undertaken by Friedrich Ludwig, as a coda to his exhaustive work on French polyphonic music of the thirteenth and early fourteenth centuries. Ludwig's work was revised, not always wisely, by Leo Schrade (1956) as part of a project of editing the music of the French *Ars nova*. Neither Ludwig nor Schrade resolved the editorial challenge of the word setting, which has been the focus of my own work.

*A:* Dou ce da me tant com  
*G:* Dou ce da me tant com

*G*  
 vi vray  
 vi vray

Example 1

*A*<sup>8</sup> Dou ce da me tant com  
*G*<sup>8</sup> Dou ce da me tant com

vi vray  
 vi vray

Example 2

Scribes of the fourteenth century were used to copying the music of songs over the words. The page in a manuscript was first ruled up with staves. The words of the song were then written in, defining the format of the copy. Finally, the musical notes were copied over the top in the space left for them. This was a well-established working practice. Polyphonic music prior to Machaut usually set just one note, or sometimes a small group of notes, to a syllable of the text. As the notes of musical notation were much narrower than the average written syllable, it made sense for the music to be written in after the words. In this way, the alignment of notes with syllables could be clearly shown.

Many of Machaut's songs also match notes to syllables in this way and are well adapted to this method of writing. However, it is not the case for all of them. In the polyphonic songs he developed a musical style in which the music often exceeded the text, stretching syllables with flourishes of many notes. In cases like this, the copying of the syllables before the notes was a precarious business. The scribe had to guess how

much space the notes would need. Sometimes the guess was wrong, and some of the notes would end up over the following syllable. In the copy of 'Dame, de qui' shown, the individual notes and groups of notes for the syllables are mostly clear; but the scribe did not leave enough space for the note-groups in writing *desservir* at the beginning of the fifth line, with the result that they spilled over to the right-hand side of the word; and the last syllable of *porroie* was not initially separated off from the word but had to be rewritten under the final note.

It is easy to see what has happened in this case, as the copy is generally clear and the mistake short-lived. Sometimes the scribes were less skilful and left the reader with notes arranged over syllables in a way that seems to suggest several possible alignments. Here, the editor faces the challenge of choosing between them; and this challenge is increased when other copies show varied settings. The different versions need to be assessed against a model or principle. Theoretical writings from the period offer no insight into word setting. However, the survival of most of Machaut's works in multiple copies offers an exceptional wealth of comparative information. There is substantial agreement between the copies, and some of the songs survive without any variants. Principles can be inferred from these and then applied inductively to decide between variants in other cases.

The first half of the rondeau, 'Douce dame, tant com' shows the problem. There are two copies (Ms A and Ms G), and there are some significant differences in the syllable placements (for *da*, *me* and *com*) – Example 1. Ludwig and Schrade used the word setting given by Ms G in their editions; but evaluation of the word setting in the two copies against the approach exhibited in the other songs suggests that the copy in Ms A was more probably what Machaut conceived. The syllables there alternate short and long values, a typical rhythm of the time – Example 2.

Scholarly editions are notoriously expensive to produce and costly to buy. Their reach is inevitably limited. The internet offers a much cheaper and more substantial space for the presentation of an edition with extensive commentary and affords much wider access. My edition is presented on a website ([www.machautedition.wordpress.com](http://www.machautedition.wordpress.com)) and uses the space of this medium to make the pieces available in three different forms: a diplomatic transcription of the original notation; and transcriptions into modern notation with note-values reduced by a third and by a quarter. The commentary is presented as footnotes to the voice-parts in original notation, thereby making the information more legible than it would be in the condensed format of a printed edition.

Though reconstruction of the original text is worthwhile in itself, word setting could seem like a superficial detail without profound consequence. In Machaut's case, this would underestimate its significance. Word setting is a key to understanding the compositional process. The form of the poem provided a basic rhythmic outline for the

musical invention. In simpler songs, the melody emerged as a formalisation of the poem's rhythm with a pitch contour developed from it. In most songs, the interaction of the melody with the rhythm of the poem followed an elaborate give and take: sometimes the rhythm of the syllables kept the melody in check; other times the syllables were stretched by the music almost beyond recognition.

Machaut's approach to word setting reveals an idea of song unique in the history of music. The music does not enhance the expression of the words or depict their meaning, as so often in later song. In fact, it often seems to undermine the words, extending some syllables (often seemingly insignificant ones) and gabbling through others. Song is not here a kind of heightened speech but an extension of the formalised diction of verse. It takes poetic devices such as caesura and rhyme and develops them in purely musical terms.

The song genres (ballade, rondeau, virelai) that Machaut developed were dance songs in origin. Lawrence Gushee has suggested that in Machaut's hands they could be viewed as 'the synthesis of monophonic song...with the ensemble practices of urban minstrelsy'. The tension revealed by the word setting between the poetic form and its musical elaboration is symptomatic of this synthesis of social registers. It reflects back into the amorous content of the poems a play between the two sorts of eroticism ('courtesy' and 'epithalamium') identified by Johann Huizinga as the basis of courtly culture in the late Middle Ages. In this way, the word setting is a central articulation of the song's aesthetic.

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## EUGENE LEE-HAMILTON PRIZE 2021

The prize was founded by the late Mrs Eliza Ann Lee-Hamilton by bequest in 1943, in memory of Eugene James Lee-Hamilton (1864) who died in 1907, in order to encourage the composition of the Petrarchan sonnet in Oxford and Cambridge. The winning entry for 2021 is printed below:

### READING

*lqra!* - her turn, a finger starts to trace  
 the clots of knotted thread across the row.  
 If all the seas were ink, but channeled slow  
 from smudged teen mouths, her reading would erase  
 all blots, would overtake the noontide race  
 and beautify all that she does not know.  
 I'd stutter, gasp. In flattened carpet snow  
 I scrawl my name in wayward lower case.

A hair slips from my scarf and seems to clutch  
 the paper's edge. At break I wish she'd teach  
 me how to strike its line, split page, recite  
 by peering in between the seas which nudge  
 each other, never mix. Figures of speech  
 play hide and seek - they hopscotch and I write.

*Tayiba Sulaiman*  
*St Hilda's College, Oxford*





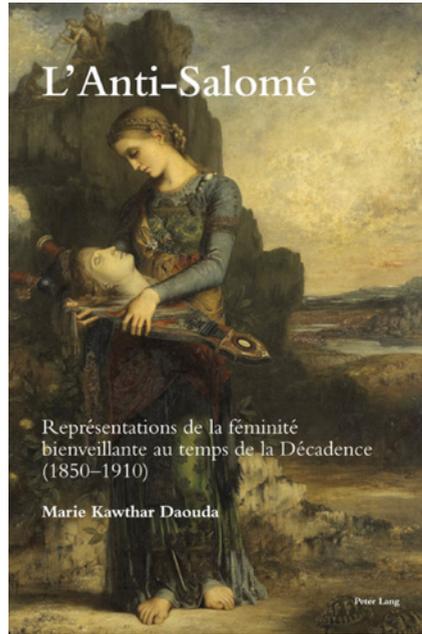
# BOOK REVIEW

## *L'Anti-Salomé; Représentations de la féminité bienveillante au temps de la Décadence (1850-1910)*

MARIE KAWTHAR DAOUDA

Peter Lang UK, 2020 (ISBN: 978-1788747080)

**F**in-de-siècle Decadence continues to fascinate modern society, obsessed as it is with analysing its meaning and its mortality. Oscar Wilde has lost nothing of his popularity, while modern debates on femininity keep returning to the Decadent figure of the 'femme fatale', with Salome's dance of the seven veils a key reference. In this illuminating study Marie Daouda uses an impressive body of texts and illustrations to show that the Decadent view of woman was much broader and more nuanced than is often realised, acknowledging the positive spiritual side as well as the destructive. What Daouda calls the 'anti-Salome' or 'femme bienveillante' is neither a victim nor an angel, but a symbol both of what is lost and of what survives. Drawing mainly on French sources, but also discussing writers such as Newman, Rossetti, and Wilde, Daouda defines the place in the Decadent canon not only of the omnipresent Salome, but of Eve, Lilith, Mary Magdalene, the Virgin Mary, Joan of Arc... and shows how Christ and Orpheus have their part to play as well in constructing femininity.



*Toby Garfitt*

*Emeritus Fellow of Magdalen College*







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## HONOURS AND AWARDS

**Teresa Bejan** was announced as a joint winner of the inaugural Early Career Prize awarded by the Britain and Ireland Association for Political Thought. The APT prizes recognise scholars in Britain and Ireland who have made the greatest overall contribution to research and teaching in Political Thought at their respective career stages.

**Patrick Farrell** has been awarded a Whitehead Prize by the London Mathematical Society in recognition of his broad, creative and impactful work as a computational mathematical scientist. His contributions to the general area of the numerical solution of partial differential equations span algorithm development, rigorous analysis, high performance software implementation and applications in scientific computation.

**Martin Gordon** (1959) was appointed Commander of the Order of the British Empire in the 2021 New Year Honours List for services to people living with HIV/AIDS in China. Martin started his charity, Barry & Martin's Trust, in 1996 following the death from AIDS of his Chinese partner, Barry Chan.

**Daniel Hannan** (1990), former Member of the European Parliament for South East England, was conferred with a Life Peerage by Her Majesty the Queen in February. He was introduced to the House of Lords as Lord Hannan of Kingsclere.

**Ian Horrocks** was awarded the British Computer Society Lovelace Medal 2020. The award is presented annually to individuals who, in the opinion of BCS Academy Awards Committee, have made a significant contribution to the advancement of Information Systems.

**Dr Tim Huxley** (1975) was appointed Officer of the Order of the British Empire in the 2021 New Year Honours List for services to Security in Asia. He is Executive Director at the International Institute for Strategic Studies - Asia. Based in Singapore since 2007, he has among other activities played a major role in organising the annual Shangri-La Dialogue, a summit meeting for defence ministers and military chiefs.

**Yadvinder Malhi** was appointed Commander of the Order of the British Empire in the 2020 Queen's Birthday Honours List for services to Ecosystem Science.

**Teresa Morgan** will in 2022 become the inaugural holder of the newly established McDonald Agape Professorship in New Testament and Early Christianity at Yale Divinity School.

**John Petrie** (2013) was appointed Officer of the Order of the British Empire in the 2021 New Year Honours List for services to Antigua and Barbuda. He is Windsor Herald at the College of Arms, which is the official heraldic and genealogical authority for most of the Commonwealth realms.

**Professor Michael Wood** (1966) was appointed Officer of the Order of the British Empire in the 2021 New Year Honours List for services to Public History and to Broadcasting. Renowned for his historical television programmes and books, including *The Story of China*, *The Story of England* and *In Search of Shakespeare*, he received the British Academy President's Medal for his work in history and outreach, and has been the Professor of Public History at the University of Manchester since 2013.



## FELLOWS' AND LECTURERS' NEWS

**Victor Acedo Matellan** has been awarded an International Fellowship by the Leverhulme Trust for his project 'Being red vs blushing: The morphosyntax of permanent and transient properties'.

**Alessandra Aloisi** published a new book, *The Power of Distraction*, in Italian. She also organised a conference in collaboration with the École Normale Supérieure de Lyon in France and the University of Roma Tre in Italy, on 'Maïne de Biran and the Afterlives of Biranism: Between Physiology, Psychology, Philosophy, and Literature'.

**Chris Bowdler** has continued to work on a number of projects investigating the link between US monetary policy and the supply of dollar denominated funding to global capital markets. The results highlight a number of new channels through which US monetary policy decisions may propagate to other regions of the world. In the Department of Economics, he continues to serve as the Director of Undergraduate Studies and has been closely involved with the transition to online teaching and assessment in the Department during the pandemic. During the year he has contributed to a wide range of outreach events such as Oriel's Virtual Study Day in PPE, the Economics and Management UNIQ Summer School and the Oxford and Cambridge Student Conferences.

**Ben Caldecott** has been appointed as Lombard Odier Associate Professor and Senior Research Fellow in Sustainable Finance as part of a new partnership between Lombard Odier and the University of Oxford.

**Marie Chabbert** writes: In May 2021 I got married to Nicolas Chanut in Nîmes (in the South of France) and in October I will be leaving the College – where I have worked as a Stipendiary Lecturer in French for the past two-and-a-half years – to take up a four-year Junior Research Fellowship at St John's College, Cambridge.

**David Charles** published a new book, *The Undivided Self: Aristotle and the 'Mind-Body Problem'*, with Oxford University Press.

**Lynne Cox** supplied written and oral evidence to the House of Lords Science and Technology Select Committee as part of her contribution to a report on healthy ageing published in January 2021.

**Max Crispin** was part of a combined team from the University of Southampton (led by him) and the University of Oxford who contributed to research to characterise SARS-CoV-2 spikes produced by the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine.

**Marie Kawthar Daouda** published a new book, *L'Anti-Salomé; Représentations de la féminité bienveillante au temps de la Décadence (1850-1910)* with publisher Peter Lang UK in the summer of 2020.

**Michael Devereux** published a new book, *Taxing Profit in a Global Economy*, with Oxford University Press. This book is the product of the work of the Oxford International Tax Group, which Michael initiated and chairs. Over the last seven years, the group has been meeting to discuss the international tax system and to come up with possible reforms. The book is the culmination of this project. It argues that the existing tax system is fundamentally flawed, and that there is a need for radical reform. The key conclusion is that there would be significant gains from a reform that moved the system towards taxing profit in the country in which a business made its sales to third parties.

**Nick Eyre** has been appointed as Oxford City Council's first Scientific Advisor, and will assist the Council and the city as they continue to address challenges presented by the climate emergency.

**Bob McNulty** has been appointed for three years as a postdoctoral research associate in the Institute for Archaeology at the University of Oxford's Underwater Division, where he will research glass artefacts found on seventeenth and eighteenth century shipwrecks in Nordic and Baltic waters.

**Yadvinder Malhi** was announced as the President-Elect of the British Ecological Society in December 2020.

**Julia Mannherz** can be heard in a University of Oxford podcast on the 1889-1890 flu pandemic, also known as the 'Russian flu'. This global epidemic claimed many lives, yet curiously, it did not distress contemporaries very much, and has largely been ignored by historical scholarship. This episode discusses the reasons for this lack of attention and what it tells us about people's experience of infectious disease at the time. The podcast is part of a series on the history of pandemics.

**Teresa Morgan** published a monograph, *Being “in Christ” in the Letters of Paul: Saved Through Christ and In His Hands* (Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck) in November 2020. Another monograph, *The New Testament and the Theology of Trust* is in press at OUP and will be published in 2021. In April 2021, Teresa was elected as an International Honorary Member of the American Academy of Arts & Sciences.

**Hindy Najman** continues as Director of the Centre for the Study of the Bible, based at Oriel. She was named Associate Editor for *Journal of Biblical Literature* for three years from 2021 to 2024 and was appointed Thematics Issues Editor for the journal *Dead Sea Discoveries* from 2020 to 2023.

**Suzanne Rab** has been appointed as one of four Expert Panel members by the UK Regulators Network (UKRN).

**Lyndal Roper** is delighted to report that she has been awarded a Leverhulme Major Research Fellowship, which will run from 2021-2023.

**Sumana Sanyal** has been awarded a Wellcome Trust Investigator Award in Science (2021-2025) to investigate mechanisms of the spread and pathogenicity of flaviviruses.

**William Wood** writes: In September 2020, I began a three-year term as Theology and Religion Faculty Board Chair. When I agreed to serve as Faculty Board Chair, I certainly did not imagine that I would be taking the reins in the middle of a global pandemic. (Had I known, would I still have agreed? Probably—but it’s best not to dwell too much on that particular counterfactual...) In more straightforwardly happy news, in February 2021, my second book appeared: *Analytic Theology and the Academic Study of Religion* (OUP 2021). The book has been heavily influenced by discussions with my colleagues and students in Oriel, including a series of seminars I ran in Oriel from 2012 to 2016.

## ORIELENSES' NEWS

**Dr Justin Burke** (1995) is Executive Director of the newly-established Institute for Advanced Dialectical Research, which launched in November. It is the world's first institute dedicated to dialectical thinking.

**Professor Philip Burrows** (1982), Fellow of Jesus College, was appointed as Director of the John Adams Institute for Accelerator Science (JAI) for a five-year term. On 29<sup>th</sup> August 2020, Philip and Laura Abrar welcomed their son, Louis Nicholas Kazim.

**Kirsty Duffy** (2012) finished her DPhil in Particle Physics in 2017, and is now working on neutrino physics research at Fermilab in the US. She has recently launched a new YouTube video series all about neutrinos and the physics she is studying in her team.

**Michelle Graham** (2010) is now Executive Director of a non-profit organisation called Wild Animal Initiative, which has a mission to understand and improve the lives of wild animals. The Initiative supports scientific research into improving the welfare of wild animals, as distinct from conserving their species or habitat.



**Mwenya Kawesha** (2006) was appointed to the board of the Royal Court Theatre in London. Mwenya performed at the Royal Court Theatre in Christopher Hampton's *Savages* in the summer before coming up to Oriel in 2006, and is delighted to have joined the board.

**Dr Sara Khalid** (2008) is an Ambassador in Data Science and organised an event on Women in Data Science (WiDS) in November as part of the University's 100 Years of Oxford Degrees for Women event series.

**Professor Vanessa Mak** (2001) was appointed as Professor of Civil Law at Leiden University from October 2020. Vanessa's research focuses on the formation of European private law, particularly in the area of contract law. Before this move she was Vice-Dean for Research and Professor of Dutch and European Contract Law at Tilburg Law School.

**Dr Paul O'Donoghue** (1996), a biologist, led a two-part Channel 5 documentary called *Elephant Hospital* which was filmed in northern Thailand.

**John Turl** (1965) has created a toponymy research project, Ghana Place Names (GPN), which is now 10 years old and aims to find the meanings and origins of as many place names in Ghana as possible. There are now over 2,300 records online with over 100 pages of support material. The major task at the moment is migration from the 'classic' Google site (closing October 2021) to a 'new' site. It is hoped that GPN will eventually be adopted by an academic institution to ensure long-term viability.

**Xi Zhu** (2018) founded Tonkünstler-on-the-Bund, a new orchestra in Shanghai. The orchestra implements a rolling-principal system to give everyone the chance to play solos. He also took up a role as a representative of the International Horn Society in China, where his focus is on fostering awareness of different horn playing styles.

## PUBLICATIONS

**Calum Chace** (1978) released his latest book, *Pandora's Oracle*, a high-concept techno-thriller that describes our future after the arrival on earth of the first artificial super-intelligence. It is the sequel to *Pandora's Brain*.

**Kevin Chesters** (1991) has published a book, *The Creative Nudge: Simple Steps to Help You Think Differently*. In the book, the authors explore how 'nudge theory' can be used to re-train the human brain to live a more creative life.

**George Dearsley** (1968) published a book, *Twelve Camels for Your Wife: An Englishman's Lifelong Love Affair with Turkey*, discussing his forty-nine year love affair with Turkey. He worked as a reporter for national newspapers and also for Sky Television and later ran his own media training company. His memoir details the often funny incidents that happened when visiting and later living in Turkey.

**The Revd Dr Michael Garnett** (1955) had an essay, entitled *CONTRADICCIÓN*, published in Spanish by the Editorial Académica Española. He was also invited by the Anglo-Peruvian Society to give a talk (in English) on being an author in Peru.

**Dr Kate Herrity** (2014) is currently Junior Research Fellow in Punishment at King's College, Cambridge. Along with her colleagues Dr Bethany Schmidt and Dr Jason Warr, she has recently published a book, *Sensory Penalties: Exploring the Senses in Spaces of Punishment and Social Control*. It aims to reinvigorate a conversation about the role of sensory experience in empirical investigation and explores the visceral, personal reflections buried within forgotten criminological field notes to ask what privileging these sensorial experiences does for how we understand and research spaces of punishment and social control.

**William Pull** (1961) has published a biography, *William III: From Prince of Orange to King of England*. Taking a new approach, it tells the story of William of Orange before he became King of England. It deals in detail with the clan, family, patron and client relationships across Europe on which the Prince's political and diplomatic influences rested and which enabled him to rise to power first in the Dutch Republic and then to the throne of England.

## OBITUARIES

### IVOR BOWDEN (1947)



Ivor Gordon Bowden was born in Shanghai – where his father Vivian Bowden was serving as the Australian government trade commissioner – in 1925. His family had strong links to Asia, as Ivor’s grandfather had established a business in Japan and his father had spent much of his youth there. In 1936, after being raised in Shanghai, Ivor was sent to board at the Dragon School in England. On the outbreak of the Second World War, he travelled to Australia with his mother and two sisters. Here he continued his education at Geelong Grammar School, where he started in 1940.

The next few years were personally devastating. In September 1941, his father was transferred to Singapore as the

Australian government’s official representative. In February, as the Japanese landed on Singapore island, Vivian Bowden was ordered to stay at his post to maintain morale and gather intelligence. He evacuated in a motor launch on 14<sup>th</sup> February, the day of the British surrender, but the boat was intercepted by the Japanese. Vivian was taken prisoner on Bangka Island and on 17<sup>th</sup> February, despite his diplomatic status, was executed.

The Bowden family was ignorant of Vivian’s fate until almost two years later. Tragically, in the same year, Ivor’s mother died from cancer, leaving him an orphan. Despite – or perhaps because of – his personal circumstances, Ivor immersed himself fully in school life. He was a talented sportsman as well as academically gifted, gaining Leaving Certificate honours in French, Latin and European History.

Before he could commence a career, Ivor presented for enlistment in the Australian Army but was rejected due to poor eyesight. He was, however, accepted by the British Army, and sailed for Britain early in 1944. He trained with the Royal Irish Fusiliers in Co. Tyrone before being posted to India with the 1<sup>st</sup> Bn Royal Warwickshire Regiment, where he served in various stations. He was subsequently appointed Battalion Intelligence Officer and in 1947 was demobilised with the rank of Captain.

Based on his outstanding academic record and assisted by a scholarship, Ivor went up to Oriel in 1947. After completing a BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics, he returned to Australia in 1951. Here, he joined the Department of External Affairs (now

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade) to begin his diplomatic career. In October 1952, he married Caroline Wills, who survives him.

The newly-married Bowdens moved to Saigon in 1952 to take up the first of Ivor's overseas appointments. This was followed by Paris in 1957, Noumea in 1963, Dublin in 1965 and Belgrade in 1966. In 1972, Ivor was appointed Commissioner of the Australian Embassy in Hong Kong, then Ambassador to Iran from 1974 to 1978 and Pakistan from 1984 to 1987. Ivor retired in 1987 as a First Assistant Secretary in the Senior Executive Service.

Retirement in Canberra, then Adelaide, provided many opportunities for Ivor: gardening and carpentry, editing the many rolls of film that recorded his overseas travels, and writing a family history, as well as maintaining his interest in international and current affairs. He and Caroline also continued to travel extensively and adventurously. In 2012, he visited the site on Bangka Island where his father had been executed and arranged for a plaque in his memory. In 2015, at the age of ninety, he returned again to witness the unveiling of a memorial to all Bangka Island internees.

Ivor died on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021, aged ninety-five. He is survived by his wife Caroline, sons Charles and James, and grandson Oliver.

*Written by his son, Charles Bowden*

## PETER CADMAN (1952)

Peter Cadman and I shared tutorials when reading Mods and Greats from 1952 to 1956 and we had the dubious pleasure of listening to one another's essays during that period. This experience in no way diminished our friendship!

Peter was born in Sutton Coldfield to the consternation of his Yorkshire cousins, as being born outside of God's own county meant he would never be able to play cricket for Yorkshire – as in theory I could. Instead he was brought up in Streetly Wood and was a Midlander his whole life – but never losing sight of his Yorkshire roots.

He first attended the Dragon School in Oxford and then Shrewsbury School before returning after National Service to Oxford. At Oriel he was immediately recognised as outstanding at cricket and football and for both sports he soon became captain. We both played squash for the College.

During the Easter vacations Peter's family regularly rented a house near Buttermere and I was always thrilled to be invited to join them for long hikes on the Lakeland Fells.

After Oriel he found the love of his life – as I had also luckily done – and Jeannie and he together found a home in Streetly, which has been their base for all their life. For special occasions or birthdays we would always try and meet.

Peter professionally became a chartered accountant firstly at Tansly Witt and then at Price Waterhouse. With his razor sharp mind he was known for his integrity, calmness and wise counsel, which he gave generously.

I have lost a true friend.

*Adapted from Jeannie's eulogy at his funeral by Peter Collett (1952)*

## NICHOLAS CARRELL (1987)



Colonel Nicholas Chavez Carrell (Nick) was born on 5<sup>th</sup> October 1968 and went up to Oriel in 1987, where he studied English Language and Literature. Following his time at Oxford, he was commissioned into the Life Guards in April 1991, deploying with them to Northern Ireland and the Balkans.

A distinguished military career followed: he joined the Territorial Army in 1997, then returned to Regular service in 2004. After serving as the Regimental Administrative Officer of

5 SCOTS in Canterbury, he was promoted to Major and went on to work with the Service Personnel and Veterans Agency. He was also deployed to Afghanistan.

As a Lieutenant Colonel, Nick worked in Personnel Administration Branch and as Comd SPS HQ Regional Command, before moving to be SO1 Pers Admin for HQ Field Army. In 2017 he deployed to Afghanistan again, this time to Kabul as Comd UK NSE, following which he took on the politically challenging role of SO1 Operational Legacy. In 2019, Nick was promoted to the General Staff, assuming the role of DACOS Personnel Administration and SPS Branch Colonel, before returning to the Operational Legacy team as the Assistant Head in 2020.

Blessed with a dry sense of humour and a calm, steely determination, Nick was well known and respected by many across the Army. He put those he served first, always seeking to do right by them. His achievements were very real, but were delivered without fanfare and always in the service of others.

Nick passed away from cancer on 8 March 2021. He is survived by his wife Jilly and two beloved daughters, Scarlett and Bibi.

*Written by Captain Alice Dixon*

## ROBERT COOLIDGE (1960)



Born in Boston, Massachusetts, in 1933, Robert Tytus Coolidge was educated at the Massachusetts institutions Fay School, Groton School and Harvard University, where he received his Bachelor's degree in 1955. He met his wife-to-be Ellen Leonard Osborne at UC Berkeley while pursuing a Master's degree there in History. After their marriage they relocated to Oxford while he completed his studies at Oriel, for which he was awarded a BLitt in 1962, the same year they welcomed their first son Christopher.

As a permanent resident of Quebec since accepting a position at Montréal's Loyola University as Professor of Medieval History in 1962, Robert nevertheless embraced his identity as a U.S. citizen with pride. He maintained a childhood fascination with genealogy throughout his adult life, tracing his ancestry to forebears such as Thomas Jefferson, Pocahontas and James Rolfe, as well as, appropriately for a medievalist, Charlemagne. His enthusiasm for genealogy served him well for his twenty-seven year tenure as Historian for the Monticello Association in Charlottesville, Virginia.

Robert and his family spent many summers at their camp on New Hampshire's Squam Lake, surrounded by his brothers, uncles, aunts and many cousins. Here he nurtured a longstanding interest in the natural environment, advocating forcefully for wise watershed management, with special attention to the lake's Common Loon and Bald Eagle populations. His love of nature blended with his deeply felt Christian faith at Squam Lake's outdoor Chocorua Island Chapel, which he described as his favorite place on Earth.

Robert's faith guided much of his life. His studies at the Episcopal Divinity School in Cambridge, Massachusetts led to his ordination as a Permanent Deacon in 1967. He was a devoted parishioner of Christ Church Cathedral in Montréal, where he also served as Deacon, for many years. Robert expressed his passion for this office by founding the Montréal Fund for the Diaconate in 1984, a registered non-profit that supported Diaconal studies for the Anglican Church throughout Canada.

Robert passed peacefully at his home in downtown Montréal on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at the age of eighty-eight, having battled debilitating seizures in his final months with remarkable fortitude. His son, Miles, was with him. He is survived by his ex-wife Ellen Coolidge, his brothers Lawrence and Nathaniel Coolidge, his sons Christopher, Matthew and Miles Coolidge and four grandchildren.

*Written by his son, Miles Coolidge*

## PETER GOULD (1949)

Peter Gould went up to Oriel in 1949 to study medicine following the Allied occupation of Germany, where he had served with the 14/20th King's Hussars. His residence at Oriel was relatively brief because on completion of his preclinical years he undertook undergraduate clinical training at the London Hospital. He thoroughly enjoyed his time at Oxford and in particular Oriel, often speaking of it with great fondness and remarking of his great fortune.

After gaining experience as a junior hospital doctor, he settled in general practice in Torquay where he worked with his wife Sheila, whom he met at a postgraduate course in Manchester. He was a jovial, quick-witted, and kind general practitioner. He loved his medicine and was a stalwart supporter of the NHS. He was also forward-thinking, introducing an appointment system at a time when patients were used to turning up and waiting, and then embracing practice computing even though the technology was in its infancy.

Peter's humour caught the attention of BBC Radio 2, when one day out of the blue he received a call from Derek Jameson's researcher who had seen an article in the local newspaper about his announcements over the practice tannoy (Mr Bell knew it was his

turn when he heard “‘Ding dong’ please come in!”). However, frightened that the General Medical Council would consider a radio interview as advertising and that he might be struck off, he politely declined. Times have changed.

Peter was proud of his Yorkshire roots, born in Hull (or more accurately Kingston-upon-Hull as he was keen to remind anyone) in 1926 to Ernest and Dorothy. He was the eldest of three sons and attended Hymers College. Many family holidays were spent in Yorkshire.

Horizons were expanded when an opportunity arose to work as a consultant in primary care in Saudi Arabia during 1979-80. It was a complete change of working environment and culture, and one he embraced. It also opened up international travel, something that both he and Sheila enjoyed well into their later years.

When Sheila joined him in retirement, she embarked on a course in Egyptology at Exeter University and he became her scribe and research assistant. They were always occupied. His support and love for Sheila was no more evident than when she was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease and he became her carer. After some years he too was diagnosed with dementia, passing away peacefully in February 2019.

He had a life well lived, grateful of the privilege to be an Oxford alumnus. He is survived by his three sons and six grandchildren.

*Written by his son, Andrew Gould*

## RAYMOND HUGGINS (1959)



The eldest of four children, Ray Huggins was born in 1938 and grew up in Newbiggin-by-the-Sea, Northumberland. After attending local schools, he completed a degree at the University of Birmingham. He then went up to Oxford University to study Physics at Oriel, completing his DPhil in 1964.

Over the course of his professional career, Ray worked for a number of academic and commercial organizations, including the University of Illinois (United States), Bell Labs (United States), the Royal Marsden Hospital (UK), the Xerox Corporation (United States), and finally the Boeing Corporation in Seattle, Washington (United States), from which he retired

in 2002. He conducted research over the years and was awarded many patents for his innovative work.

One summer while at Oriel, he participated in a Scottish dancing school in St Andrews, Scotland, where he met Eileen, his future wife. They were married in 1963. Soon after the ceremony, they emigrated to the United States.

Ray had diverse interests outside of work. He taught himself to play the bagpipes

and was a member of a number of bagpipe marching bands through the years. A talented craftsman who loved work with his hands, he spent countless hours building devices in his workshop or maintaining his old Volvo in the garage. He built a working scale steam tank engine. A lifelong swimmer, he swam for exercise and relaxation until late in life.

His passion was for the sea. He hand-built a canoe as a teenager growing up on the North Sea coast. While at Oriel, he fell in love with sailing, often serving as a crew member with friends on trips across the Channel to France. Later in life, Ray and Eileen undertook numerous lengthy cruises. These cruises started in the islands on the Puget Sound in the State of Washington. Their trip of a lifetime lasted over four years, sailing down the west coast of North America, through the Panama Canal, around the Caribbean islands, up the east coast of the United States through the Intercoastal Waterway, and finishing in Lake Ontario.

Ray greatly helped the boating community in the Seattle area. He was an award-winning instructor in all facets of boating, from basic seamanship to celestial navigation.

Ray and Eileen have two sons and a daughter, six grandchildren, and one great granddaughter. His family remembers him as a kind, giving and cerebral man. Ray loved playing games with the family and was known to be a tough opponent in bridge.

Ray passed away in February 2021 after confronting the challenges of Parkinson's disease. His family and friends will remember him fondly and cherish his memory.

*Written by his son, Peter Huggins*

## EDWARD HULMES (1974)

Edward Hulmes was born in Manchester in 1932. He first studied at Liverpool University, before National Service as an officer in Army Intelligence in Bavaria. After National Service, Edward worked in an administrative capacity in West Africa for five years. On his return to England, he began his teaching career over the course of which he wrote a number of books and articles on aspects of Islamic Studies and Education.

He came to Oxford with his family in 1973 to take up the post of Director of the Farmington Institute for Christian Studies. His DPhil at Oriel built on his observations of Christianity and Islam during his time in West Africa. He was immensely proud to be a member of Oriel College and was thereafter an enthusiastic alumnus, becoming a member of the Adam de Brome Society.

He then became Spalding Professorial Fellow in Comparative Theology at the University of Durham until his retirement at the age of sixty. In 1980-81 he was William Belden Noble Lecturer at Harvard University, and for many years was a Member of the Centre of Theological Inquiry at Princeton in the USA. In 1999 he became a Fellow of the Maryvale Institute in Birmingham and continued to supervise MA and PhD students into his eighties. A special award was established in his name in 2010, the Edward Hulmes Prize for Excellence in Research.

Edward became a Knight Commander of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem supporting their work in the Holy Land, undertaking a pilgrimage to Jerusalem in 2003.

Throughout his life, Edward's personal life centred on his family, music (mainly playing the piano and clarinet with friends) and on languages (speaking German, Arabic and Russian). Edward loved fly fishing with his friends, the hills around the Lake District, where he lived as a child, and in Monsal Dale in Derbyshire where he lived for the last forty years. He leaves behind his wife, Shirley, three daughters Rosalind, Heather and Elizabeth (Lilly), and five grandchildren. He died in 2021.

*Written by his daughter, Rosalind Kenrick*

## DEREK KEENE (1962)



Derek Keene, who died of Alzheimer's disease at the age of seventy-eight, was one of the leading figures in medieval and urban history over the past forty years. He brought together history, archaeology and geography to investigate spaces and buildings, and show how people in the past experienced life in towns.

Derek was the son of Edith (née Swanston), a nurse, and Charles Keene, a planning officer and local historian. From Ealing Grammar School, in 1961 he went to Oriel, reading History. Benefiting from state-funded education at school and then

university, Derek always strongly believed that the study of history at all levels should be accessible and not be allowed to fall back into being an 'elite' activity.

At Oxford he encountered the wide-ranging archaeological work being done at Winchester, directed by Martin Biddle, and Derek became embedded in the Winchester project, excavating medieval artisans' houses in Brook Street, while discovering the documents for the same area. With full access to the city's large archive, he extended the scope of his research to cover the whole of Winchester, which in the middle-ages was the fourteenth largest town in England.

His most important publication was a two-volume study of medieval Winchester (1985), a landmark event in British urban history. This book detailed every feature of the late medieval city, including all streets, houses and gardens, and identified every known property owner. This information was all brought together in conclusions covering economy, population, government, society and religion.

But the project that generated most excitement was his work in the 1980s and 90s on the townscape and society of medieval London.

Derek had been brought up in London, and remembered its post-war ruins, but the historic buildings and streets were being damaged by commercial development on a much larger scale than anything caused by wartime bombing. Excavations of the Roman, medieval and early modern structures were needed before destructive building work began.

Derek saw that these extensive excavations presented a major research opportunity, but so did the archive of written records, which could shed light on the material remains and also the wider background of the city. His detailed investigation of housing and people in Cheapside led to a revision of London's estimated population, and its ranking with the great Italian cities.

Following on from this imaginative work, Derek persuaded the Institute of Historical Research at the University of London to establish a centre for metropolitan history in 1987, and he was appointed its Director. It was conceived as a space, or 'laboratory' as he called it, for studying urban problems, often (though certainly not exclusively) through the lens of London's rich and diverse history.

In 2001 Derek was appointed to the Leverhulme Chair in Comparative Metropolitan History at the Institute of Historical Research and was able, until his retirement in 2008, to pursue the idea of the metropolis in different periods and countries. He was still involved in collaborations, notably when he brought together a group of scholars to write the history of St Paul's Cathedral, *St Paul's: The Cathedral Church of London 604-2004* (2004).

In his spare time, Derek would take long walks in wild parts of the world, including the Rockies, and was a skilled craftsman in woodwork and joinery.

Beyond his many academic achievements Derek will be remembered with great affection by those who worked with him, or who encountered him at seminars or other occasions. He was always generous with his time and insights, sharing his perspectives but also listening to and absorbing those of others.

He will be greatly missed by all who knew him. His family are establishing a memorial fund in his name (<https://uk.gofundme.com/f/derek-keene-memorial-fund>), in partnership with the Institute of Historical Research (IHR), to be used in a way that reflects his work and to support the development of early-stage career historians.

*Edited by his daughter from his obituary in The Guardian, and published with permission from The Guardian*

## STEPHEN KIRKBY (1977)



Steve died very suddenly and unexpectedly in January 2021; he had just retired, in apparently good health, and was looking forward to indulging his many cultural and intellectual interests in the coming years. As a regular walking companion, we will miss him enormously, for his formidable intellect, wide-ranging knowledge and sharp wit enriched every journey.

He grew up in the village of Chisworth, near Romiley, on the edge of the Peak District; attended Glossop Comprehensive School and won a scholarship to read History with Robert Beddard and Jeremy Catto at Oriel, though he became a

favourite of their junior colleague Tony Howe who shared his northern working-class background. While he retained a lifelong interest in history, he knew on graduation that he wanted to do something 'useful'. And so he did, joining British Steel as a systems analyst just as Thatcher's ruthless rationalization policies led to the closure of loss-making plants. While conflicted about the impact on working communities like the one where he himself had grown up, he applied his new computer skills to the important task of boosting productivity in what remained of the company, in preparation for privatization at the end of the decade. In 1997 he moved to the French IT company Capgemini, for whom he had been doing consultancy work. He stayed with them until last year.

Steve was never very forthcoming about his work – we'd attributed this to the challenge of explaining complex processes to the digitally illiterate. However, after his death it came to light that he had signed the Official Secrets Act so maybe there were things he couldn't tell us.

Though he never married himself, he took a full part in family life in Romiley as a much-loved son, brother and uncle. He was a season ticket holder at Manchester City (what a pity he couldn't see the 2020-21 Premier League season to its conclusion), and he claimed to have attended matches at every other football league club ground. He was a skilled ice-skater, a keen amateur photographer, a prodigious reader and was treasurer for the National Trolleybus Association. The photo shows him on the Sedbury Cliffs overlooking the River Severn, the southern end point of the Offa's Dyke walk which we completed together on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

*Written by Martin Lamb, Kelvin Evans, Simon Harris (all 1977)*

## PETER NEEDHAM (1952)



Peter was born in the Sudetenland, where his mother owned one thirty-second of a castle in Bohemia. His father, Fritz Niethammer, was a lawyer. In 1939, aged four, Peter was one of the first refugee Jewish children to be flown out of Prague as fears of a Nazi takeover grew.

He owed his rescue to an organisation called the Barbican Mission, which required

that the children it rescued must be brought up as Christians. Accordingly, Peter started his life in England in the care of one of the Mission's leaders at Chislehurst, Kent, moving on to Winterdyne School in Southport, Lancashire. He was eventually followed to England by his mother and his mother's parents, though not by his father, for by that time his parents had divorced.

In 1947 through hard work and intelligence he won a scholarship to St Paul's School in West London, arriving while still called Niethammer but soon converting to Needham. In 1952 he won a scholarship to Oriel where he read Classical Greats. His love of the ancient world was stimulated by having tutorials with Peter Brunt, who later

became the Camden Professor of Ancient History. He moved on from Oxford to national service in Colchester, and then became a Classics teacher, first at Bromsgrove School in Worcestershire and then, for four happy years, at Magdalen College School in Oxford.

In 1964 he answered an advertisement in the TES and came to Eton where he was told bluntly by the Headmaster of the time, Anthony Chenevix-Trench, that it would be his job to teach the younger and less talented boys; in fact it was to some of the brightest boys that he taught Ancient History: two of them became Fellows of All Souls. He stayed at Eton for thirty-four years until his retirement in 1998. His speciality at the school was Ancient History, but he was also one of two masters who had oversight of the school's in-house newspaper, the *Eton Chronicle*. For a period Boris Johnson, chaotic and frequently late with copy, was one of the editors he had to supervise.

The best thing that happened to Peter at Eton, by the common consent of his friends, was that the house where he lived with four other bachelor masters acquired a housekeeper in the form of Nicola Scott-Dove, who was a talented cook. They married in 1971, and the union gave him a new and contenting stability.

In retirement Peter was looked after in everything great and small by Nicky, who would serve up dazzling meals in the kitchen while Peter, sunk deep into a favourite armchair and distracted by one of his famously ill-disciplined dogs, would entertain his visitors. His retirement project was producing Latin versions of favourite children's stories, and having translated Michael Bond's *A Bear Called Paddington* into spirited Latin, he took on two novels by JK Rowling, which he named *Harrius Potter et Philosophi Lapis* and *Harrius Potter et Camera Secretorum*. These took his name around the world.

By that time the Needhams had settled in Datchet in Berkshire, where Nicky had grown up. She and their two children, Ruth and Rupert, survive him.

*Written by his friend, David McKie (1955)*

## MICHAEL PERRIN (1955)



Michael George Francis Perrin was born on 1<sup>st</sup> December 1934, in Petts Wood, Orpington, Kent. He was the second son of William and Annie Perrin and brother to Alan and Elizabeth. He attended Bickley Hall school, before moving on to Charterhouse. Two years' National Service preceded his arrival at Oriel, where he studied French and German. He played tennis and football in his early years; but most of all he was a passionate hockey player, often playing for local clubs up to his forties and always playing in goal.

After Oriel he began work as a Personnel Manager, initially for ICI and later DRG. He met his wife-to-be (Dorothy, an

art teacher) in Edinburgh at a Halloween party in October 1959 and they were married in August 1960 at Christ Church, Edinburgh. In March 1962, Mark was born in Edinburgh before Mike and Dorothy moved south to Bramhall, near Manchester, where Katie was born in October 1963.

In 1969 the family moved to Rookery Road in Southport and Mike purchased a dormobile campervan; the family enjoyed many holidays in the 'company car', including trips to the Yorkshire Dales, Scotland, Devon and France.

In 1976 the family moved further south to Wellington Terrace, Clevedon, overlooking the Bristol Channel. In 1990 Mike and Dorothy moved to Haselor, near Stratford upon Avon and, after many years at DRG, Mike joined British Steel, working at their training college. Dorothy recalls that this was possibly the happiest time of his life.

He joined the Tuesday Night Club, which consisted of the Haselor Villagers car sharing to various pubs for a pint. Mike also had a log cabin built at the bottom of the garden, affectionally known as the 'play pen', where he rekindled a childhood love for stamp collecting; he particularly loved stamps from Turkey and Cyprus.

In 2005 Mike and Dorothy sold their property in Haselor and bought an apartment in Clevedon and a second property in Mussidan, France. Over the next few years Mike's health sadly deteriorated and eventually he had to be moved into Southmead Hospital in 2020, where he passed away on 15<sup>th</sup> February.

*Written by his son, Mark Perrin*

## THOMAS MARTIN ROBINSON (1970)

After attending King Edward School in Birmingham, the city where he grew up with his parents and sister Jennifer, Martin Robinson came up to Oriel to read Physics in 1970. He completed his first degree in 1973, staying on at Oriel and the research laboratory in Parks Road until June 1978 when he completed his thesis in Materials Science.

Martin thoroughly enjoyed the eight years he spent in Oxford, where he had made very good friends. During this time, he also met Francine, a French student spending a year in England as part of her English Language and Literature degree. They were married in September 1976. The celebration in Francine's home village in Burgundy, attended by guests from France and England, remains well-remembered.

In 1978, the couple moved to Paris, where Martin had a two-year work contract in one of the French Atomic Energy Research laboratories. In spite of their initial plan to return to England afterwards, Martin wished to stay in France longer. This would become permanent: he was fond of the French way of life and appreciated, amongst other things, the good food and wine. However, they always enjoyed trips back to England to visit relatives and friends, as did their two sons. David (born in 1980) and John (born in 1983) are now both married with children.

Martin was a fully unassuming person, always ready to help. His English sense of humour was very popular, albeit sometimes unexpected, in his French circles of relatives and friends. He was a keen bridge player and an enthusiastic mountain walker. Martin was very fond of the Alps, where the family went skiing every winter and he enjoyed

hiking nearly every summer. In 2013 and 2016, he embarked on two treks in Nepal. Martin and Francine enjoyed spending time with their children, grandchildren, relatives, and friends. They shared a taste for travelling, museum and exhibition visits, and attending cultural events. Martin also became a member of Oxford University Society Paris (OUSP) as soon as he started living in France, and served well as Treasurer.

His career as an engineer was entirely spent in France, with the exception of a three-year stay in the Netherlands for his employer Thalès from 1995 to 1998. This accompanied a move from research to research and development, and was followed by a move to knowledge sharing. He then finished his career with Bureau Veritas. His various jobs and responsibilities involved travelling throughout the world, but he thoroughly enjoyed coming back home to his wife and children.

Very sadly, Martin was diagnosed with a serious neurological disease in 2018 and passed away peacefully at home on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2021. He is greatly missed and will be warmly remembered by his wife, children, grandchildren, other relatives and friends.

*Written by his wife, Francine*

## PETER STOWARD (1954)



Peter Stoward was born in 1935. He won an Open Scholarship to Oriel from King Edward's School, Birmingham, where he was a Foundation Scholar. He followed his undergraduate studies in Chemistry with research into drug resistance for which he was awarded an MSc, and then a DPhil in Histochemistry and Histology (the structure, chemical composition and function of cells in normal and diseased tissues as seen under the microscope) under the supervision of Professor Robert Barer. He maintained life-long friendships with Orienses John Cawdery, David Weitzman, and Saville Bradbury.

Aside from a brief period as an Assistant Lecturer in Pharmaceutical Chemistry at the College of Advanced Technology, Birmingham (later Aston University), and a two-year International Fellowship at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, USA, he spent his entire career at the University of Dundee. In 1969 he was appointed to a Senior Lectureship in Histology in the Department of Anatomy, and was later promoted to Reader in Histology and in 1989 to a Personal Chair in Histochemistry, one of only three people to have been awarded this title in the UK. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh in 1976 for his contributions to science. In the late 1980s he was appointed Head of the newly-merged Department of Anatomy and Physiology. He took early retirement on medical grounds in 1995, subsequently moving to the Cotswolds,

where he achieved a long-held desire to live in a cottage with roses round the door. He enjoyed gardening, and spent many hours trying to make his lawn as immaculate as Oriel's front quad.

As well as editing the *Histochemical Journal* (later renamed the *Journal of Molecular Histology*) from its launch in 1967 until 2003, Peter edited and contributed to three books, and published over one hundred research papers. The last of these, in 2012, was the culmination of a twenty-year collaboration on treatment for muscular dystrophy.

He met his first wife, Barbara, while working on his DPhil. They married in 1964 and she died of cancer in 1986. Peter is survived by their daughter Helena, who went to Pembroke, and by his second wife, Professor Elisabeth Gerver, whom he married in 1999.

*Written by his daughter, Helena Smalman-Smith*

## PROFESSOR THOMAS HENRY BULL SYMONS CC OC (1951)



Not uncommonly persons of distinction who live to a great age pass their final years almost unnoticed, distant in space and connection from the environment where they made their mark. Tom Symons, an eminent Canadian who died on New Year's Day at the age of ninety-one, was never likely to suffer this kind of oblivion, living as he did for nearly sixty years in the town of Peterborough Ontario, where he was revered as the founding President of Trent University. He had been only thirty-four at the time of his appointment in 1963, the youngest university president in Canada. Despite moving on from that position in 1972,

Peterborough and Trent University served as his continuing base for performing the many and varied tasks he undertook in the rest of his long and busy life. Fittingly, just twenty months ago, his ninetieth birthday was an occasion of great celebration when more than 500 of his colleagues, friends and former students gathered to do him honour for all he represented as leader, scholar, mentor and friend and to celebrate his many contributions to Peterborough, to his province of Ontario, to the peoples of Canada, and to the broader global community beyond. He was perhaps one of the most respected and quietly influential figures of the twentieth century in shaping Canadian and Commonwealth identity, values and aspirations.

Tom Symons was thus grounded in Ontario. He was born on 30<sup>th</sup> May 1929, one of seven children, in Toronto to Harry Lutz Symons and Dorothy Bull, and receiving his school and university (University of Toronto) education in the province. But while his base always remained in Ontario, in high summer he was most often to be found holidaying in Prince

Edward Island, for which he had a special affection, and in the course of his life he also spent extended periods in the UK.

The consolidation of Canada as a great multicultural nation had far to go in Tom's childhood and teenage years in the 1930s and 1940s, with major population groups – notably francophones in the east and the many indigenous communities in the north and across Canada – having difficulty in regarding themselves as fully equal citizens of their own country. Tom Symons will be remembered more than anything else for his contribution to creating Canadian self-awareness and unity. This contribution is epitomised by the title of his 1975 report for the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) entitled *To Know Ourselves*, frequently referred to simply as the Symons Report.

By the time of that report's publication Tom had already shown himself to be not just an analyst and commentator on issues of national integration, but also a man of action personally engaged with promoting progress. At Trent during his presidency a programme in Canadian studies was launched and a department created for teaching and research on indigenous communities' culture and society. He was actively engaged on behalf of the Government of Ontario in finding solutions acceptable to all sides on the vexed question of French-language teaching and he was one of the prime architects of the accords between Ontario and Quebec that among other things established the Cultural and Exchange Program between the two provinces that continues to the present time.

Throughout his life Tom worked at the interface of the academic world and government, seeking to mobilise their capabilities to build sustainable communities and institutions, locally, nationally and internationally. His sharp mind, affable disposition and readiness to listen to every point of view made him an ideal committee and board Chair, able to get individuals of different persuasions to work together for common purpose. These attributes and his connections in government and political circles – he was involved with national and provincial politics early in his career and for seven years chaired the Progressive Conservative Party's policy advisory committee for Robert Stanfield – made him an obvious candidate for the chair of many public governance bodies and advisory commissions in areas of social policy. Some of the principal ones – in a list of perhaps twenty or more – included the National Commission on Canadian Studies, the National Library Advisory Board, the Historic Sites and Monuments Board of Canada, the Canadian Educational Standards Institute, the National Statistics Council of Canada, the Canada Council, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, all at national level; while his service to the Ontario Government included serving as Commissioner for Human Rights and chairing the Ontario Heritage Trust.

Tom Symons' record of service was recognised in Canada by conferment of the Order of Canada in 1976 (later raised to Companionship of the Order) and the Order of Ontario in 2002. Numerous other awards and distinctions were heaped on him in recognition of his service to the community and to higher education. They include many honorary degrees, and in recognition of the part he played in the creation of Sacred Heart College at Peterborough, the (Papal) Knighthood of the Order of St Sylvester.

Tom Symons had a particular affection for Britain and for the Commonwealth. He studied for a Masters Degree at Oriel College Oxford, where he was later named an

Honorary Fellow, and afterwards on several occasions had senior visiting posts at the University of Cambridge including one early in his career at the Scott-Polar Institute (an abiding interest of his was the history of exploration in the Canadian Arctic); and at Robinson College. However he always said that it was not Oxbridge that inspired the collegiate model he followed in building Trent University, but rather the University of Durham.

Tom's frequent visits to Britain were mainly for academic purposes, including for United World Colleges whose Board he chaired for a number of years; though he also had business links through his association with Bata Shoes, Celanese Canada and Gilbey Canada, had personal friendships in the Royal Family and was a frequent visitor to 10 Downing Street. When in London, where he and his wife Christine were wont to host many informal meetings over tea at their hotel in St James, his business often centred on the Association of Commonwealth Universities whose Council he chaired when President of Trent, and of which he subsequently served as Treasurer for a long period from 1974 until 1988 during the tenures of Sir Hugh Springer and Anastasios Christodoulou as ACU Secretary-General. In the latter role he chaired the ACU's successful 75th Anniversary Appeal which, largely as a result of his own energetic efforts, raised a considerable sum for Commonwealth academic exchange programmes.

Tom was deeply committed to the Commonwealth and to Canada's role within it. His personal contributions to Commonwealth educational co-operation were even deeper and more extensive than these substantial roles at ACU. He could lay claim to be one of the founders of the Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan (CSFP) launched at the Oxford Commonwealth Education Conference in 1959 under which in the past sixty years more than 35,000 young Commonwealth citizens have been supported to study in a Commonwealth country other than their own, the majority for masters and doctoral programmes. Sidney Smith, the Canadian Minister of External Affairs, had paved the way for the Oxford Conference by floating the idea that was to become CSFP when he hosted the Montreal Trade and Economic Conference in 1958, and his proposals were based on a briefing paper prepared for him by Tom Symons. The friendship and collaboration between the two of them had begun at the University of Toronto some years earlier when Smith was vice-chancellor and Symons was chair of the student council.

In the 1980s Tom was appointed to the Commonwealth's Standing Committee on Student Mobility convened by the Commonwealth Secretariat to address the crisis in student exchange caused by the switch in Britain and Australia to charging full economic tuition fees to international students. In the following decade he was invited by the Commonwealth Secretary-General, Chief Anyaoku, to chair an internationally recruited Commission on Commonwealth Studies to enquire into the state of Commonwealth studies throughout the Commonwealth and to make recommendations for strengthening provision. Its report *Learning from each other: Commonwealth studies for the 21st century* was presented to the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting in Edinburgh in 1997.

Following up on this, as late as November 2020 and only a few weeks before his death on January 1<sup>st</sup>, Tom Symons encouraged surviving members of the Commission

from Australia, Malaysia, Southern and Western Africa and the UK to join him in making representations to Dominic Raab and to the Vice-Chancellor of the University of London to stay the proposed closure of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies. He would have been particularly gratified that the University of London has since accepted the recommendations of a Committee of Inquiry chaired by Sir Malcolm Rifkind that a remodelled Institute should after all survive. The Committee's report cited his own 1996 letter of transmittal at some length and the report of the Commission on Commonwealth Studies was at the top of the list of documents consulted.

Tom Symons is survived by his wife Christine whom he married in 1963, by their three children Mary, Ryerson and Jeffrey, and by five grandchildren. He passed away on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021.

*Written by Peter Williams OBE*

### ARTHUR JOHN BANNON TAYLOR (1951)

Arthur John Bannon Taylor was born on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April 1933 in Buxton. He came up to Oriel in 1951 to read Greats. He met my mother in his final year (she was a Somervillian in her first year) and they married in 1957, after she finished her degree in Modern Languages, so any designs the Jesuits had on him were quickly dashed! I came along five and a half years after they married and my brother John eighteen months after that.

After completing his degree, my father qualified as an accountant and worked for a range of companies in finance. We moved to France in 1968, when he was offered a position in a subsidiary company and after three years there, moved to the Republic of Ireland. In the recession in Ireland in the 1970s he was made redundant and so set up his own business in computing. He had developed an interest in information technology and taught himself to code. As a result, he devised and implemented a payroll system and another for stock checking for a number of local businesses, which enabled them to uncover and/or prevent fraud. Pretty ahead of his time.

In the 1980s, my father changed direction and became secretary manager of Skerries Golf Club, north of Dublin. A keen amateur golfer, this change of career really suited him. Later on, he secured the post of secretary manager at Gullane Golf Club in Scotland, so he and my mother moved there. He retired in 1998 and lived happily with her in Kelso in the Scottish borders (until her sudden and unexpected death in November 2019), where he helped set up the local branch of the U3A. He maintained a keen and active interest in the U3A, particularly the French and Spanish language groups, until he died.

The last time he attended Oriel was for the Provost's Lunch in 2017, but he always enjoyed visiting Oxford with his family, regaling us all with stories of his life there. He and my mother had seven grandchildren of whom they were very proud. He was an intelligent, kind and gentle man who will be sorely missed by family and friends. He died peacefully on the 28<sup>th</sup> of August 2021.

*Written by his daughter, Mary Hodson*

## RICHARD TURNER-WARWICK (1942)

When there was no standard procedure in the operating theatre, the urologist Richard Turner-Warwick would resort to one known as ‘titbapit’, or ‘take it to bits and put it together’.

Blockages, tumours, gunshot wounds and childbirth are among the reasons patients need reconstructive urology. Turner-Warwick not only restored damaged tubes such as the urethra, but also repaired broken sphincters, the muscular structures that help to keep urine in the bladder.

A ‘waterworks’ specialist with a dry sense of humour, Warwick-Turner told of how when he started in medicine, functional reconstruction was largely ‘an unwritten book’. He and Christopher Chapple, a radiological colleague at Middlesex Hospital, had a room dedicated to cystography, the art of collecting images from inside their patients’ bladders. ‘We recorded the images on 35mm cine film for a weekly team review of all cases – the first full-time routine clinical urodynamic service anywhere,’ Turner-Warwick recalled. In 1968 it became the first urodynamic clinic, where surgeons consider not only bladder images but also data such as pressure and flow of urine, which previously had involved simply ‘watching the patient pee’.

An eccentric dresser, Turner-Warwick was a visual thinker. When working through difficult problems he would draw explanatory diagrams and images, many of which formed the basis for those by Paul Richardson in *Functional Reconstruction of the Urinary Tract and Gynaeco-urology: an exposition of functional principles and surgical procedures* (2002), co-written by Turner-Warwick and Chapple.

The book included such words of wisdom as ‘the treatment of incontinence should be based upon a proper understanding of continence’ and concluded with instructions on how to make a readable slide for presentation, how to swallow a pill and how to mix a tasteful but weak gin. There was also sanguine advice for his medical colleagues, including the maxim that ‘good things rarely come out of brown envelopes’.

Richard Trevor Turner Warwick was born in 1925, the eldest of four children of William Warwick, a vascular surgeon at the Middlesex Hospital; later, when they both worked there, Richard added a middle name to his surname to avoid confusion, becoming Turner-Warwick. His mother, Joan (née Harris), was a post and antenatal clinician in the East End of London. She was also a mechanic. ‘Before I was ten, she taught me how to dismantle a car engine down to the big-ends and to reassemble it,’ her son recalled.

As a teenager he enjoyed engineering. ‘I still have the sophisticated oscillating, double-action, twin-cylinder steam engine that I machined out of bits of solid brass while at school at Bedales,’ he told *The Canadian Journal of Urology*. When he discovered that he could legitimately obtain fuel and a gun by volunteering for the Home Guard, there were attempts to persuade his teachers that working on his motorcycle constituted physics.

Interviewed for Oxford, he was questioned on politics, culture and world affairs. After confessing ignorance, he was asked what he did know and replied that he could fell a tree so that it landed exactly where he wanted it to and knew how to plough a field in straight lines on a sloping hill. He was offered a place.

After reading Medicine at Oriel College he spent a year as an anatomy demonstrator, 'working in the central connections of the olfactory system of the rabbit... and writing an MSc thesis'. He was a strong rower and by 1944 was in the Oxford First Eight. In 1946 he was elected captain and successfully fought to have the Boat Race returned to the Thames tideway after its wartime evacuation to Henley. He led Oxford to victory that year and whenever faced with a difficult task thereafter would 'grit his teeth and think of Cambridge'.

While in a lecture about the eye he was sitting next to Margaret Moore, a medical student. She caught his eye and they were married in 1950, once she had recovered from a debilitating bout of tuberculosis and they had both qualified. Moore became an eminent thoracic physician, the first female president of the Royal College of Physicians, and was appointed DBE. She predeceased him and he is survived by their daughters: Lynne, a consultant in rehabilitation medicine, and Gillian, an artist and teacher.

Turner-Warwick did National Service with the Royal Army Medical Corps as a plastic surgeon before joining Middlesex Hospital, where he continued his studies. He enjoyed a series of training posts in general, orthopaedic, urological, colorectal, gynaecological, thyroid and cardiothoracic surgery, later describing the breadth of this experience as invaluable.

In 1958 he used a travelling fellowship to gain experience of American urology, starting in New York. Margaret also secured a fellowship and, once stateside, they purchased an ancient, bright red Ford V8 convertible. Despite its unhealthy noise when being driven at more than 60mph, they covered more than 7,000 miles, crisscrossing the country. On their return to the east coast they sold it for \$200, the same price they had originally paid, before sailing home.

Back at Middlesex, Turner-Warwick was appointed Consultant General Surgeon in 1960, taking over the urological department in 1963 on the retirement of Sir Eric Riches, his mentor.

By about 1975 he had confined his surgical interest and practice to functional reconstruction. Over the years he received many honours and awards, and undertook more than 300 operating surgical teaching visits, including three weeks each year between 1978 and 1987 as honorary visiting urological surgeon to the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital in Sydney.

The Turner-Warwicks, who shared their medical insights during nightly bathtime conferences, built a house in Highgate, north London, mixing their own concrete in a vast, hand-turned mixer. 'At teatime, my mother used to spread a dust sheet over his chair in the sitting room to keep the result off the furniture,' recalled Gillian. A colleague remembered Turner-Warwick once opening a cupboard to find a document and they were both almost knocked over by a tsunami of slides.

The family also had a house in Studland, Dorset, that had once been owned by the philosopher Bertrand Russell. Here Turner-Warwick enjoyed swimming in the sea, sailing, wind-surfing and water-skiing. Fishing was another pastime and many colleagues were recipients of the trout he caught, sometimes accompanied by one of Margaret's fine watercolour landscapes.

As well as dealing with his patients, Turner-Warwick was fascinated by other types of waterworks. At home he installed a complex and intricate drainage system

and later, when Margaret helped to establish a millennium green in the Devon village of Thorverton, he threw his energies into the landscaping and channelling of the meandering stream, protecting the banks with colossal rocks and happily working with his beloved tractor.

Richard Turner-Warwick, CBE, urologist, was born on February 21, 1925. He died on September 20, 2020, aged 95.

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BERTRAM, Mr Robert (1959)	13th August 2020
BRYANT, His Honour David (1960)	April 2021
CHAMBERS, Mr Barry (1943)	December 2020
DOBSON, Mr Brian (1955)	
ECKERSLEY, Mr Roger (1951)	
GOULD, Dr Peter (1944)	
HARPER, Mr Simon (1973)	2nd September 2020
HAYE, Mr Paul (1956)	5th April 2021
HAYES, John (1954)	
HORNBY, Hugh (1987)	
JANTET, Mr Bernard (1955)	5th May 2020
JENKINS, The Revd John Michael (1957)	8th January 2021
LOVETT, Mr Peter (1973)	9th February 2021
LUXMOORE, Mr Peter (1945)	October 2020
REID, Dr Donald (1948)	
SIMMONS, Mr Guy (1946)	28th December 2019
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WILLMORE, Ian (1977)	7th April 2020
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## DIARY

### DATES OF FULL TERM

Michaelmas 2021	Sunday 10th October – Saturday 4th December
Hilary 2022	Sunday 16th January – Saturday 12th March
Trinity 2022	Sunday 24th April – Saturday 18th June

### GAUDIES

From time to time we review our Gaudy scheduling, so please visit the Oriel website for the latest schedule. Please note that invitations are always sent three months in advance to those eligible to attend. There may be limited spaces available for those who have missed out to join an upcoming Gaudy (with priorities given to adjacent years). Over the next two years Gaudies will be held for the following years of matriculation:

#### 2022

1993-1995  
1976-1979  
1984-1986

#### 2023

1966-1971  
2012-2013  
1980-1983 (to be confirmed)

### EVENTS

For full details of all Oriel College events for Orielenes, please visit [www.alumni.oriel.ox.ac.uk/events](http://www.alumni.oriel.ox.ac.uk/events).

*Please be aware that due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, all of our future events are under constant review. If we do have to cancel any, we will inform all registrants as soon as possible.*

### 2021

#### MONDAY 13th SEPTEMBER – SATURDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

#### Oxford Alumni Meeting Minds Global 2021 & Oriel Alumni Weekend

Open to all Orielenes and guests. University-wide virtual events Monday-Tuesday with Annual Alumni Dinner in College on Friday and lunch available on Saturday.

#### SATURDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

#### 2005-2007 Gaudy

Black tie dinner in Hall preceded by drinks in the large SCR.

**WEDNESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER****1960-1965 Gaudy**

Black tie dinner in Hall preceded by drinks in the large SCR.

**SAURDAY 25th SEPTEMBER****1990-1992 Gaudy**

Black tie dinner in Hall preceded by drinks in the large SCR.

**FRIDAY 22nd OCTOBER****Champagne Concert**

Performance and champagne interlude in the Senior Library, with optional pre-concert supper.

**FRIDAY 5th NOVEMBER****Returns' Dinner**

A dinner for Orienses who graduated in 2020.

**SATURDAY 20th NOVEMBER****Raleigh Society Dinner**

A black tie dinner for members of the Raleigh Society and guests.

**2022****FRIDAY 4th FEBRUARY****Returns' Dinner**

A dinner for Orienses who graduated in 2021

**FRIDAY 18th MARCH****1993-1995 Gaudy**

Black tie dinner in Hall preceded by drinks in the large SCR.

**SATURDAY 19th MARCH****Adam de Brome Society Lunch**

Annual lunch in College for members of the Adam de Brome Society and guests.

**TUESDAY 10th MAY****London Dinner**

Annual dinner for Orienses held in London at the House of Lords, postponed from 2021.

**SATURDAY 28th MAY****Oriel Garden Party**

Annual Garden Party in College for all Orienses and their families.

# NOTES

## ORIEL RECORD

The Editor of the *Oriel College Record* is Dr Douglas Hamilton, Oriel College, Oxford, OX1 4EW, and he wishes to record his gratitude to the College Development and Alumni Engagement Office for their help. The Editor will be glad to receive news of Orielenses of all generations. In addition, all Orielenses and other interested persons are warmly invited to submit items and articles with a view to publication in future editions, whether about the College or about the past or present activities of its members. The Editor is grateful to Katie Brown for her invaluable help in preparing copy and to Peter Collett for compiling the Obituaries. Reminiscences or short notes for inclusion in the Obituaries in future issues of the *Record* may be sent to the Editor at the College Development and Alumni Engagement Office ([development.office@oriel.ox.ac.uk](mailto:development.office@oriel.ox.ac.uk)).

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