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2018–2019

Master

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- ☼ Lynda Clare Mugglestone, MA, DPhil (elected 1989) Professor of the History of English, Tutor in English Language and Literature
- ☼ Mark David Fricker, MA (PhD Stirling) (elected 1989) Fellow by Special Election
- ☼ Timothy Farrant, MA, DPhil (elected 1990) Reader in Nineteenth Century French Literature, Tutor in Modern Languages
- ☼ Jeremy Taylor, MA (BSc Bristol, PhD London) (elected 1992) Tutor in Physiological Sciences, O'Brien-Abraham Fellow
- ☼ Stephen Whitefield, MA, DPhil (elected 1993) Professor of Comparative Russian and East European Politics and Societies, Tutor in Politics, Rhodes-Pelczynski Fellow in Politics
- ☼ Owen Darbishire, MA (MS, PhD Cornell) (elected 1996) Tutor in Management Studies, Sue Cormack Fellow in Management, Vicegerent
- ☼ Adrian Gregory, MA (MA, PhD Camb) (elected 1997) Tutor in Modern History, Damon Wells Fellow in Modern History
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- ☼ Benjamin Davis, MA, DPhil, FRS (elected 2001) Professor of Chemistry, Tutor in Organic Chemistry
- ☼ Theo Maarten Van Lint, MA (MA, PhD Leiden) (elected 2003) Calouste Gulbenkian Professor of Armenian Studies
- ☼ Stephen Tuck, MA (BA, PhD Camb) (elected 2003) Professor of Modern History, Tutor in History
- ☼ Ariel Ezrachi, MA, MSt, DPhil (BBus LLB Tel Aviv) (elected 2003) Slaughter and May Professor of Competition Law, Tutor in Law
- ☼ André Furger, MA (BSc BEd, PhD Bern) (elected 2003) Tutor in Biochemistry, Tanaka Fellow in Biochemistry, Dean of Graduates
- ☼ Guido Bonsaver, MA (BA Verona, PhD Reading) (elected 2003) Professor of Italian Cultural History, Tutor in Italian
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- ☼ Linda Flores, MA (BA Penn, MA Washington in St Louis, PhD California) (elected 2006) Tutor in Japanese Studies, Equalities Fellow, TEPCo Fellow, Deputy Dean
- ☼ Irene Tracey, MA, DPhil (elected 2007) Nuffield Professor of Anaesthetic Science
- ☼ The Revd Andrew Teal, MA, PGC (BA, PhD Birm, PGCE Oxf Brookes) (elected 2008) Chaplain
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- ☼ Nicolai Sinai, MA (PhD FU Berlin) (elected 2010) Sheikh Zayed Professor of Islamic Studies, Tutor in Islamic Studies, Fellow by Special Election
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- ☼ Alfons Weber, MA (Dr rer nat Dipl Phys Aachen) (elected 2012) Tutor of Physics, Rokos-Clarendon Fellow in Physics
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- ☼ Timothy Woollings, MA (PhD Reading) (elected 2013) Tutor in Physics
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- ☼ Pramila Krishnan, MA (BStat MStat Indian Statistical Institute, PhD Florida) (elected 2016), Professor of Development Economics, Rokos-Clarendon Fellow and Tutor in Economics
- ☼ Nick Hawes, MA (BSc, PhD Birm) (elected 2017) Tutor in Engineering Science
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- ☼ Vedit Nanda, MA (BS MS Georgia, PhD Rutgers) (elected 2018) Professor of Mathematics and Fellow by Special Election
- ☼ James Read, MA (M.A.St Camb, M.Phys.Phil, DPhil Oxf) (elected 2018) Fellow and Tutor in Philosophy
- ☼ Roberto Salguero-Gómez, MA (BSc Cadiz, MsC Kingston, PhD Penn) (elected 2018) EP Ebrahim Fellow and Tutor in Ecology

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Colin Leach
Ian Grant
Michael Goringe
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The Most Revd Metropolitan Kallistos Ware of Diokleia
John Knowland
The Revd John Platt
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Martha Klein
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Stephen Gosztony, BA (elected 2017)
John Church, MA (MA Camb), CDip AF, ACIB (elected 2018)

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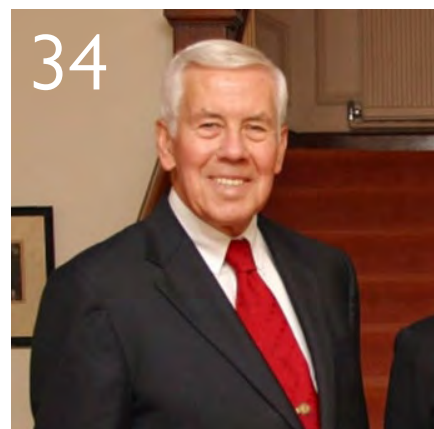
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Master's Notes

Dame Lynne Brindley DBE



As I came to write this, my last introduction to the *College Record*, I reflected again on the enormous privilege it has been to be part of Pembroke, and how fulfilling these past years have been. I am now in my seventh and final year as Master of this special College, and there continues to be much to celebrate and feel proud of. The year has been incredibly full and in these pages I hope you will get a flavour of how Pembroke continues to flourish academically and in the myriad of activities, achievements and events that make up our thriving community.

Students balance their studies with a whole host of other activities working alongside a group of exceptional academics, supported by a team of dedicated and loyal staff and a worldwide group of alumni and friends. When I arrived the College was just beginning to occupy its expanded spaces in the newly opened Rokos Quad, and starting to take advantage of the opportunities this presented for a much richer experience within Pembroke itself. The year under report indicates how much this is now embedded as 'the new normal'.

Today we see JCR-MCR mentoring pairings meeting in Farthings Café to talk about the possibilities of further study, we welcome distinguished guest speakers to The Pichette Auditorium and we open the doors of our Art Gallery to the public to enjoy our exhibitions. We have students who publish books, row for their University, invent apps and set up charities alongside their studies. Our academic body has expanded to include more early-career academics, and research clusters. The exchange of ideas and collaborative activity is alive and well and leading to new projects and partnerships all the time.

In the past year we were particularly delighted to welcome as guest speakers Tristram Hunt (Director of the V&A), Sharon White (Chief Executive of Ofcom), Peter Roth QC (President of the Competition Appeal Tribunal), Marlon James (Man Booker Prize-winning author), Peter Ricketts (alumnus and diplomat) and David Milliband (Chief Executive of the International Rescue Committee).

The College marked the centenary of the end of the First World War with a series of special events, including a public lecture by our History Fellow Professor Adrian Gregory,

and workshops on Silence co-led by Junior Research Fellow Dr Suzan Kalayci (see p12). Exhibitions in the Art Gallery included a show by Nour Jaouda, the first ever winner of the JCR's now annual Emery Prize, named in honour of the Art Fund's founder Anthony Emery and awarded to a final year student of Fine Art at the Ruskin.

Individual achievements and awards have again been numerous – see pgs 9 & 10 for a selection of academic recognition and entrepreneurial prizes. We were delighted to be joined by Professor Premilla Nadasen for part of the year as the Fulbright Visiting Professor and enjoyed her *Anti-Racist Activism* seminar series.

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This year we have also lost good friends and colleagues. Honorary Fellows Dr Kenji Tanaka (Educationalist and Philanthropist) and Senator Dick Lugar (US Politician) are sadly missed, as is alumnus Brian Wilson (1948) who was so involved in College life in his later years. Full tributes are included this year for Emeritus Fellows Professor Eric Stanley and Dr Gordon Whitham, alongside Len Weekes our former barman, well known to generations of students.

But you would not expect your College to stand still. As we move towards the

celebration of our 400th anniversary in 2024 we are also planning further ahead, to our long-term ambitions. An anniversary milestone is an opportunity to renew our commitment to the future of this College, respecting its traditions, nurturing innovation, and living our values of inclusivity, diversity and mutual respect.

You will read in the following pages of planned projects to extend the GAB to provide accommodation for over 80 more graduate students and early-career academics to ensure that we can attract and welcome the best from all over the world.

There are also plans to rebuild the Library to provide the best possible environment and facilities for our world-leading scholarship and learning. Libraries of the 21st century have changed and the Pembroke scheme will ensure that students have a library which provides them with flexible resources to support their preferences and needs. There will be spaces for collaboration as well as private study, and modern technologies used to explore ideas alongside books and traditional materials. Access for disabled students and the surrounding physical environment will be much improved. The library is reenvisioned as the heart of our academic community.

Pembroke aims to attract the best students and academics, whatever their background and wherever they come from, and to nurture a supportive and inclusive community in a stimulating intellectual environment. Each generation benefits from the imaginative and sustained contribution of our alumni and friends. Let me finish by thanking you all for the wonderful support you have given me personally, and to the College.

Welcomes



Dr James Read

Fellow & Associate Professor of Philosophy

James Read is an Associate Professor of Philosophy, specialising in the Philosophy of Physics. Before joining Pembroke, James studied Physics and Philosophy as an undergraduate at Oxford, and went on to study Mathematics as a postgraduate at Cambridge. He completed his DPhil in Philosophy from Oxford in 2018.

James' research focuses on the foundations of spacetime theories. Although our best theory of space and time, general relativity, is now 100 years old, physicists and philosophers continue to grapple with what is so special about this theory, what is the key to its success? James' methodology is to explore the structure of spacetime theories similar to, but distinct from, general relativity, in order to better understand what is truly distinctive about Einstein's magnum opus.

In addition to the above, James is interested in a range of other questions: for example, what is the nature of quantum probabilities? And: how do we understand what a physical theory tells us about the world, when it has redundancy (so-called 'gauge freedom') in its formulation?

Beyond research, James is passionate about teaching Philosophy to both undergraduates and graduates at Pembroke, and, with the other Philosophy and Physics Fellows, hopes to develop the College into one of the centres for the Philosophy of Physics within the University. To this end, he has already collaborated with one Pembroke graduate student on an academic paper; he hopes other such collaborations will follow in the future!

Finally, James is heavily involved with Pembroke's many Access and Outreach initiatives and understands its importance having come from a state school himself. With other Fellows including **Professor Nick Hawes**, James is helping to write a new science outreach programme on autonomy for the College.



Dr Roberto Salguero-Gómez

Fellow & Associate Professor of Ecology

Dr Roberto Salguero-Gómez arrived in Oxford in April 2017 as an Independent Research Fellow for the Natural Environment Research Council, and in September 2018 he was appointed Associate Professor in Ecology and Tutorial Fellow at Pembroke. Rob obtained his PhD in Ecology, Evolution and Biodiversity at the University of Pennsylvania (USA) before moving to the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (Germany), University of Queensland (Australia) and University of Sheffield (UK) on a series of postdoctoral and independent research fellow positions.

Rob is the leader of the SalGo Team at the Department of Zoology. His research focuses on the exploration of the mechanisms of ageing across the tree of life, understanding the evolutionary and environmental forces that cause life history strategies (e.g. longevity, reproduction, growth) to diversify in animals and plants worldwide, and predicting population collapses before irreversible tipping points, a key aspect for conservation biology. He and his team currently work on a series of study systems, on species as different as flatworms and mistletoes in the UK, lithops (a group of succulent plants) in South Africa, albatrosses in New Zealand, and corals and sponges in Australia and Japan.

Rob is a strong advocate of student and early-career research teaching and mentoring. Recent activities he has carried out include a week-long workshop on advanced demographic analyses at Pembroke (see images below) as well as integrating his undergraduate tutorials with trips to the Oxford Botanic Garden and Oxford's Museum of Natural History. He also serves as the faculty representative of the Early Career Research Network of the Department of Zoology, and is a champion for postdoctoral support for the University of Oxford.



Farewells



Left: Professor Irene Tracey (front, centre) at Pembroke with Lee Hysan Postdoctoral Fellowship in Clinical Neurosciences colleagues from the Chinese University of Hong Kong
Right: Speaking at her celebratory dinner

Professor Irene Tracey

Nuffield Chair of Anaesthetic Science, 2007-2019

In October 2019, **Professor Irene Tracey** became the College Warden at Merton College, succeeding Pembroke alumnus **Sir Martin Taylor** (1970) who retired earlier this year. Noting this developing tradition, the Master commented that: *'the idea that Merton relied in this way on appointing Pembrokeans is only a small comfort to us!'*

On 17th November 2018, the Fellowship held a dinner to celebrate Professor Tracey's success and her contributions to Pembroke (pictured above right). This dinner also celebrated **Professor Helen Small**, who had recently departed College to take up the distinguished Merton Professorship of English Language and Literature.

The Master themed her speech for the evening on Superwomen and began talking about Irene by referring to her early life: *'Let us turn to Pembroke's second Supervoman, more popularly known as Oxford's Queen of Pain. Irene is Oxford through and through having lived in Oxford almost all her life. She was born in the old Radcliffe Infirmary, went to a local state school and studied biochemistry at Oxford, being an undergraduate and graduate student at Merton – winning the Gibb's prize for joint top first, and the Wellcome prize student/senior scholar award for her graduate PhD work.'*

Irene's illustrious career started with a post-doctorate position at Harvard Medical School. She then returned to the UK to help found the Oxford Centre for Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging of the Brain (fMRIB), which officially opened in 1998. In 2001 she was appointed to a University Lectureship with Tutorial Fellowship at Christ Church, and later became a Professor in 2005. She was elected to the Nuffield Chair in Anaesthetics in 2007, the first woman ever to be appointed, with a Fellowship at Pembroke. She remained the Director of fMRIB, completing ten years in that role, before, after a short sabbatical, becoming Head of the Nuffield Department of Clinical Neurosciences in September 2016.

Irene's work has attracted great international recognition. In 2008 she was awarded the triennial Patrick Wall Medal from the Royal College of Anaesthetists and in 2009 was made a FRCA (Fellow of Royal College of Anaesthetists) for her contribution to the discipline. She was a Board member of the UK's Medical Research Council's neuroscience mental health board and in 2015 was elected a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences. In 2017 she was awarded the Feldberg Prize for her contributions to neuroscience and pain research, and was elected by the government in 2016 to serve on the Medical Research Council.

The Master noted that *'here in College, whilst we enjoy the reflected glory of such an illustrious member of our Governing Body, we have also benefitted from her numerous contributions to our community.'* Returning to the theme of superwomen, the Master recalled the memorable occasion of the Scholars' Lecture in November 2014, for which *'Irene flew in from the USA about an hour before she was due to give the lecture. She spoke inspiringly and passionately about understanding human pain and, despite jet lag, which would have sent a lesser mortal rushing home to sleep, continued over dinner to talk animatedly with students, and was one of the last to leave the memorable event.'*

The Master congratulated Irene on her enormous achievements so far in her career and concluded the speech by saying that *'going back to her original College, to head it up as an active and extremely successful academic, seems an entirely fitting next step for Irene and we congratulate her on this election.'*

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Staff Changes

Joiners

Ashfaq Aslan, Porter
Barnabas Aspray, Junior Research Fellow in Religion & Frontier Challenges
Lucy Auton, Stipendiary Lecturer in Mathematics
Alexander Borges, Pastry Chef
Rebecca Bowen, Retained Lecturer in Italian
Callum Brodie, Stipendiary Lecturer in Physics
Krzys Brzezinski, Stipendiary Lecturer in Economics
Chris Campbell-Kelly, Executive Assistant to the Master
Aurelio Carlucci, Stipendiary Lecturer in Maths
David Chapman, Senior Research Fellow in Engineering
Wesley Cotter, IT Officer
David Escamilla-Guerrero, Rokos Junior Research Fellow in Economic History
Stewart Fisher, Computing Technician
Andrew Giltrap, Retained Lecturer in Chemistry
David Guest, Deputy College Accountant
Rob Hatch, Retained Lecturer in Medicine
Isabel Kelly, Communications Officer (Graduate Intern)
George Klaeren, Junior Dean
Simmi Lal, Scout
Emma Leader, Events and Stewardship Co-ordinator
Tatjana LeBoff, JCR Art Curator
Rayandra Limbu, Scout
Xianguo Lu, Senior Research Fellow in Physics
Sabrina Martin, Stipendiary Lecturer in Politics
Victoria Mills, College Nurse
Elisabeth Mortimer, Besse Scholar
John Morton, Stipendiary Lecturer in Engineering
Eleanor Mottram, Development Officer
Fabiana Navarro Collado, Deputy Café Supervisor
Imen Neffati, Junior Research Fellow in Religion & Frontier Challenges
Diamantina Sarmiento da Costa, Barista/Catering Assistant
Claire Seitz, French Lectrice
Nailya Shamgunova, Stipendiary Lecturer in History
Martin Shotter, Stipendiary Lecturer in Physics
Felix Slade, OxNet Co-ordinator
Akash Tribedi, Retained Lecturer in Engineering
Senthil Vasan, Retained Lecturer in Medicine
Yuan Yi Zhu, Stipendiary Lecturer in Politics

Pictures

Above (L-R): Joiners - Victoria Mills, Isabel Kelly, Xianguo Lu
 Leavers - Mai Musié, Patrick Houlihan, Aleksandra Tunderska

Leavers

Rosalind Anstey, Alumni Relations Manager
Nicola Barefield, Executive Assistant to the Master
Aleesha Bermingham, Chef de Partie
Nigel Bird, Director of Finance
Laura Capuano, Stipendiary Lecturer in Maths
Alessandro Carlucci, Research Associate
James Charlesworth, Junior Dean
Clara Chivers, Communications Officer and JCR Art Curator
Jamie Condiliffe, Stipendiary Lecturer in Engineering
Sarah Cox, Library Assistant
Caroline Crepin, French Lectrice
Caitlin Ellis, Retained Lecturer History
Charlotte Elves, Stipendiary Lecturer in Law
Matthew Garraghan, OxNet Finance and Development Advisor
Izabela Hoffmann, Deputy Café Supervisor
Patrick Houlihan, Junior Research Fellow in History
Omar Hussein, Junior Research Fellow in History
Thomas Kidney, Deputy Strategic Development Director
Michael Koelle, Junior Research Fellow in Economics
Andrew Krause, Stipendiary in Maths
Manjusha Kuruppath, Stipendiary Lecturer in History
Anthone Martinho, Retained Lecturer in Biology
Andrew Monaghan, Senior Associate in Changing Character of War Centre
Timothy Moore, Stipendiary Lecturer in Politics
Mai Musié, Alumni Relations Manager
Esteban Ortiz Ospina, Senior Associate
Alberto Paganini, Stipendiary Lecturer in Maths
Emma Proffitt, Junior Commis Chef
Matthew Reza, Retained Lecturer in Modern Languages
Kilian Rieder, Stipendiary Lecturer in Economics
Alberto Ruiz de Elias, Catering Assistant
Hannah Ryley, Stipendiary Lecturer in English
Derek Simmonds, Lodge Porter
Jerome Simons, Stipendiary Lecturer in Economics
Mike Smith, Computing Officer
Aneta Swiderska, Catering Assistant
Nikos Theodorakis, Associate in Law
Aleksandra Tunderska, Scout
Lucy Walters, Communications Designer
Tom Williams, Annual Fund Manager
Martyn Winfield, Maintenance – Painter/Decorator/Handyman

Long Service Awards

15 Years

Robert Wilson, Deputy Head
 of Catering/Steward
Helen Joynson, College Accountant

10 Years

Tim Walker, Maintenance Supervisor
Derek Simmonds, Porter
Sujan Khadka, Porter



Helen Joynson and Robert Wilson celebrating 15 years each of service at Pembroke



Academic Report: On International Understanding



I write this contribution to the *Pembroke Record* having just returned from two weeks in the USA visiting 11 universities that send students to the College

for their 'Junior Year Abroad' – our Visiting Students. A number of Oxford colleges host visiting students, but Pembroke's programme is one of long standing, and is recognised as the 'gold standard'. I was reminded of the length of these ties as I visited the Ames Library in Illinois-Vesleyan University, which houses and cares for 16 stained glass windows originally from the College, and saw a Pembroke coat of arms proudly displayed on the campus of George Washington University. And of course as we hold meetings in The Harold Lee Room, or attend events in The Pichette Auditorium, we are constantly reminded of the richness and depth of our international ties and heritage.

These are, of course, reflected in our student body today, as well as our academic staff. Our 35 visiting students, from the USA, Hong Kong and China, make a wonderful contribution to the community, whether it's through their intellectual ambition or through making Pembroke Oxford's ice hockey powerhouse. Our graduate student body has always been highly international and we are increasingly recruiting more brilliant undergraduates from overseas – you will read some of their stories opposite, along with the perspective of one of our lecturers who, having grown up in Venezuela, studied in Paris and worked in Barcelona before moving to the UK.

And the College is enriched further through the experience of our Senior Research

Fellows, including **Dr Lis Kendall's** insights into the tragic conflict in Yemen through a longstanding commitment to research and working closely with the Yemeni people, and **Dr Nicholas Cole's** work on the constitutional history of the United States of America. **Drs Rob Johnson** (pictured below centre) and **Annette Idler** of the Changing Character of War Centre are bringing new understanding of the nature of modern conflicts, from Afghanistan and Iraq to Colombia, while **Dr Amy Dickman** is working to conserve carnivores as part of the ecosystem in Tanzania (pictured above).

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Pembroke is also one of the strongest colleges for languages; with six tutorial Fellows in Chinese, Japanese, Arabic, French and Italian; the largest intake in Oriental Studies of any college and a sizeable cohort of students of Modern Languages and Linguistics. At a time when the study of languages in schools becomes increasingly precarious, this stewardship of the study of languages and other countries and cultures becomes more important.

And it's not just the students of modern languages that Pembroke supports to go overseas; we send students to Japan, to Kenya, to internships across the globe and on other travels related to their studies, often supported by generous donations from our alumni.

We believe that this openness and outward-looking ethos will help our students to be successful and to be open to the opportunities that a more connected world will offer them. And that the international understanding that comes from sharing experiences with other young people from different cultures and backgrounds will serve them well in a world where division is all too prevalent.

Moving back to the hurly burly of last year, one particular pleasure has been to see many of our early-career academics progress to permanent and prestigious roles in academia – and to see a procession of new researchers coming in to the College, including a new Junior Research Fellowship in partnership with the Smithsonian UK (pictured below right), to continue the strong international theme! Our Early Career Researchers' Network is going from strength to strength, bringing a real academic energy to the College. Our graduate community continues to be dynamic and high achieving, triumphing in the inter-collegiate 'All-Innovate' prize and securing many other distinctions. And from the squeezed middle of the Norrington Table, we had the notable distinction of the top performer in the Maths 4th year, together with the second top (and triple prize winner) in English. University prize winners came in a wide range of subjects, which shows that Pembroke is fertile ground for academic excellence to flourish, wherever it might be found.

Nancy Braithwaite, Academic Director



Internationality at Pembroke

Gustavo Mellior

is a Stipendiary Lecturer in Economics who joined Pembroke from the University of Kent.



Having grown up in Caracas, Venezuela, I studied a BA in International Politics at HEI-HEP, Paris and subsequently a MSc in Economics and Finance at the University of Kent. I then worked as a financial journalist for FXstreet and as a stock option plan agent for Citibank in Barcelona, Spain before starting a PhD in Economics at the University of Kent in 2015.

My research agenda is primarily concerned with heterogeneity at the micro level and its impact on macroeconomic aggregates. My PhD thesis focuses on the effect that consumer bankruptcy laws have on the economy and how different higher education financing schemes affect welfare and inequality.

Within consumer bankruptcy, my work explores the trade-off between risk sharing and economic efficiency due to the peculiarities of different bankruptcy regimes. It seeks to qualitatively and quantitatively answer complex questions and better understand how bankruptcy laws can be tailored to increase social wellbeing.

My work on education highlights the general equilibrium effects of different schemes to finance tertiary education. Commonly held beliefs about the balance between efficiency and equity in higher education funding can be overturned when we take into account the aggregate feedbacks in the economy. Financing tertiary education with either excessive amounts of student loans or taxation can generate responses through interest rates and wages that may lower welfare and output and increase inequality. My work explores the optimal mix of funding sources to maximise welfare of diverse groups in society.

I have taught economics at the universities of Surrey, California-Riverside, Kent, the London School of Economics...and now Pembroke. Being here is a marvellous and unique experience. It is a privilege to teach intellectually ambitious students in small groups, and to be part of a body of academics that are engaged in world-renowned research.

Constantin Schneider

is a DPhil student in the Department of Statistics, working on machine learning algorithms to improve the development of new antibody therapeutics.



My journey to Pembroke was quite typical of that of many European graduate students. During my undergraduate course, I spent a semester abroad in the UK via Erasmus. Impressed by the academic culture of the country, I decided to pursue my graduate studies in the UK, first through a Masters degree at Imperial College London and now with a DPhil at Pembroke.

Like the majority of postgraduates, I did not decide on a college in my application, yet Pembroke turned out to be the perfect allocation for me. Upon arriving, the College immediately made me feel welcome with its mixture of academic and historic tradition, with a lively graduate community and undoubtedly the best MCR in all of Oxford; turning Pembroke into that clichéd “home-away-from-home” before I knew it.

My time as a graduate student has been largely characterised by life at Pembroke. A regular at MCR events and a member of the boat club, I hugely appreciated the commitment of both staff members and student committees to providing academic, welfare and social events throughout the year. This encouraged me to become involved with the MCR committee myself, and in Trinity term 2019 I took over as MCR President.

The college system is what sets Oxford apart from other universities. For me, as an international student, Pembroke is an exemplary example for how colleges can define and enhance the academic experience of their members.

Omar Tsang

is a fourth-year international undergraduate from Hong Kong studying Chemistry.



I first visited Oxford when I was in Year 10, and I was mesmerised by the city and its world-renowned ‘Harry Potter-esque’ architecture. This, compounded with its prestigious status ranked the best university in the world, made it an easy decision to come to Oxford to continue my higher education.

The college system at Oxford and Pembroke, I find, is perfect for me, as I had always enjoyed my experience at a boarding school. I have had the opportunity to meet other extremely bright and amazing people outside my area of study which I feel has benefitted me immensely.

I had my eyes set on Pembroke College from the beginning, as it boasts a good balance between undergraduate and graduate students, allowing me to meet a wide range of different people with their own unique stories. Most importantly, the College itself is simply gorgeous – whether it is the more historic Chapel Quad or the more recently established Rokos Quad.

The tutorial system here at Pembroke is quite intensive at times, but also highly rewarding as it has allowed me to explore topics in so much more depth than I thought I ever could. Aside from my studies, I enjoyed being part of the Football Club and hanging out with my friends in College. I had the chance to participate in a very fruitful entrepreneurship competition, the Oxford University StEP Programme, in which our team Quantum Dice won and were awarded a generous pre-seed fund to further develop our technology and business idea. I am thankful for the College and the University for the amazing opportunities that they have provided, and would highly recommend anyone to come to Oxford and Pembroke for their degree!



Access Week in action

Access and Outreach



This year Pembroke celebrated 10 years of pioneering, academically-driven and attainment-focused Access work. Former pupils of the scheme, along with several Pembroke

undergraduates who have subsequently become coordinators in our Hub schools in London, the North West and North East of England, joined together for a dinner at the invitation of the newly inaugurated Pembroke Access Society – a student-led body open to alumni.

It is difficult to believe now, but when we first began to develop a relationship with Brooke House Sixth Form College (BSix) in Hackney, the whole of the Governing Body was arranged in the Forte Room on one side and BSix senior management and (from memory) a dozen or so East End pupils on the other. Both sides had an imperfect understanding of the other, with BSix probably the most comprehensive college in England and Wales. They probably had no more than two or three pupils who possessed the required GCSE average that Oxford accepts for entry. The relationship with our original Hub, therefore, was never about recruitment. Indeed, there was genuine shock when these pupils and others began to take up places at The Queen's College, St. Peter's, Brasenose, Cambridge, Russell Group universities and eventually Pembroke. During these past 10 years, the number of state school applicants to Pembroke has risen by 73% between 2008 and 2018 (compared with 35% across Oxford as a whole), whilst the number of independent school applicants to Pembroke has increased by 19% (compared with 10% across Oxford as a whole).

The original messaging of Pem-Brooke London, and then eventually Pembroke North, was about the need to build networks among schools which had previously little or no experience of Oxford, and to develop a 'whole College' approach to Access via high-quality

and challenging academic outputs. The former was pursued by undertaking many miles on the motorway and relationship building. This was easier in the economically good times when schools were funded and in the grip of modernisation. Hub Coordinators were willingly funded by schools. The latter has meant changes in approaches to Access in College. Three of my own former History undergraduates went on to become Hub Coordinators (that number has, as I write, increased to five) and others have made careers as teachers at least partly because of their experiences teaching or mentoring on what by 2010/11 had become an intensive academic course. Next year, I shall be able to report that the number of intensive courses will have grown to five. During this most recent round (2018-19) of applications for the London-based course, 322 pupils from East and West London applied for 20 places. Many since the inception of the course have been from migrant families, struggling through disruption and chaos during their formative years or occasionally engaged in nefarious activities – in the case of one now graduated Pembroke student (who left with a very good degree), active in the gangs of South London.

Throughout, interest has been built by Pembroke being present in what in Oxford terms are remote communities, speaking to assemblies at the Hub and Linked schools. Ten years ago, they were noisy, disruptive and sceptical. One pupil asked, I recall, "what was in it for Oxford"? That's easy: as we opened our doors to non-Anglicans, the middle classes, northern grammar school boys, women, and now all the talents, we have improved our academic standing. I hope that Pembroke and Pembroke alumni continue to support much needed intergenerational and regionally focused academic activity over the next decade, fulfilling our core purpose as laid down in our statutes: "...to serve the common good through the provision of education and the promotion of scholarship and research."

Dr Peter Claus, Access Fellow



It's been a pleasure to be the JCR's Access Rep in the past academic year. I've been incredibly lucky to have worked with such a wonderful JCR Committee who have been so supportive in the JCR's access and outreach efforts.

Over the academic year, we have worked hard to promote inclusivity of students from all backgrounds, by running a trial Pembroke JCR Fund. The Fund's main purpose is to help JCR members who are under financial strain to attend various Pembroke-related events, in the hope that it will contribute positively toward students' experiences at Oxford.

During the admissions period, we worked hard to make Pembroke as warm and as friendly an environment as possible for interviewees. This year, we put on very successful events during the evenings to encourage people to socialise together in a relaxed setting.

As part of Pembroke Diversity Week, the Liberation Council and I organised and hosted a panel discussion on access and mental health. I felt that it was important to create a safe space to open up discussion about the two very important and interlinked issues which are both persistent in the intense Oxford environment.

I'm proud to be part of Pembroke, a college which has been committed to encouraging disadvantaged students to apply to higher education, not just Oxford, for more than a decade with their leadership of the OxNet Programme and more.

Qianhui Yang (2017), JCR Access Rep

Academic Achievements



Professor Alex Kacelnik, FRS, awarded the ASAB Medal 2019
JANUARY 2019

Emeritus Fellow, **Professor Alex Kacelnik, FRS**, was awarded the Association for Animal Behaviour (ASAB) Medal 2019, for contributions to the science of animal behaviour.

Professor Kacelnik commented: *"I am incredibly happy and grateful for this award. This recognition touches me very deeply."*



Professor Ben Davis elected as a Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences
MAY 2019

Pembroke Fellow and Professor of Chemistry, **Ben Davis FRS MAE**, was elected for his outstanding contributions to advancing medical science and cutting-edge research. He was selected for his continued research into the development of molecular methods, and direct reprogramming of complex biological molecules to elucidate and control biological function and mechanism, in vitro and in vivo, beyond the limits of genetics.

Dr Peter Claus and **Dr Rebekah White** won awards at the 2019 Student Union (SU) Oxford Teaching Awards. Every year the SU acknowledges University lecturers and staff who offer encouragement, motivation and inspiration, whilst challenging and engaging their students. Dr Claus won the award for Diverse and Inclusive Education, and Dr White won the award for Supporting Students (non-academic category).

Dr Rebekah White commented: *"I feel very lucky to work as part of the College's extensive and dedicated Welfare Team, and am honoured to receive an award for supporting students."* Dr Peter Claus commented: *"It is an honour to have received this award. It has been a great evening celebrating together with the students."*



Dr Peter Claus and Dr Rebekah White awarded at the Oxford Student-Led Teaching Awards
MAY 2019



'Lanterne' awarded £5,000 for 'Best Postgraduate Idea' at All-Innovate final!
MARCH 2019

The inaugural All-Innovate Competition at The Oxford Foundry saw Pembroke team 'Lanterne' (formerly ConflictScanner) led by **Alex Barnes** (DPhil International Development, 2017) win £5,000 towards their navigational app. All-Innovate is an inter-collegiate idea competition where students pitch their entrepreneurial ideas for a chance to win a share of £20,000.

Lanterne is a navigation app designed to guide individuals, charities and businesses across conflict zones using the safest possible route.

Alex commented: *"We are extremely grateful for the support that Pembroke gave us throughout the process, especially Jeremy Bennett, who was always generous with his time and gave us excellent feedback."*



Cristiana De Filippis awarded £5,000 as a part of the G-Research Oxford DPhil Prize

Pembroke DPhil student, **Cristiana De Filippis** (2016, DPhil Partial Differential Equations), was awarded the £5,000 prize for her research into Partial Differential Equations.

Cristiana was awarded for her presentation on her two papers, Partial regularity for manifold constrained $p(x)$ -harmonic maps, in *Calculus of Variations and Partial Differential Equations* and Hölder regularity for nonlocal double phase equations, in the *Journal of Differential Equations*, in collaboration with Giampiero Palatucci from the University of Parma. Both papers explore the regularity features of solutions to certain differential equations.

The G-Research DPhil Prize offers various scholarships and financial awards that fund graduate students' important research. Cristiana commented: *"I believe these kind of honours are very encouraging for young researchers, being not only a sign of appreciation for their work but also an excellent opportunity for funding travel or academic visits."*

Alice Campbell Davis (BA Jurisprudence, 2018) and **Tilman Koops** (BA Jurisprudence, 2018) were triumphant in this year's Maitland Chambers University of Oxford Undergraduate Inter-collegiate (Cuppers) Mooting Competition, competing against 24 colleges over the two preliminary rounds.

The competition is organised by the Law Faculty in conjunction with the Law Joint Consultative Committee, and supported by Maitland Chambers. Tilman and Alice triumphed through the early rounds before meeting Harris Manchester in the final. The final case concerned the rules governing equitable compensation for breach of trust, and was judged by Edwin Johnson QC, Michael Gibbon QC and Benjamin John, barristers at Maitland Chambers.



Law students win inter-collegiate Mooting Competition

Academic Achievements

University Prizes

2018/19

Anna Carbery *MBiochem Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry*
Charles Collins *BA Philosophy and Theology*
Jessica Ellins *MBiochem Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry*

Daniel Evans *BA English Language and Literature II*

Katie Fapp *MSt US History*
Karl Frey *MBiochem Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry*
Frederick Gate *BA European and Middle Eastern Languages*
Ben Jacob *BA History and English*
Shakil Karim *BA History and Economics*
Duncan Laurie *MMath Mathematics*
Sneha Ramshanker *MPhys Physics*
Caitlin Shepperson *MChem Chemistry*
Pranav Shyam Prasad *BA Economics and Management*

(Tat Man) Omar Tsang *MChem Chemistry*
Nancy Tucker *BA Experimental Psychology*

Oliver Tyers *BA Physics*

FHS Part II Research Project Prize
 Book Prize (Prelims Philosophy and Theology)
 Gibbs Prize - Book Prize - FHS Part I and Part II
 FHS Part II Immunology Prize
 Gibbs Prize (Best Overall Performance in Course II)
 Gibbs Prize (Best Dissertation, Paper 7)
 Violet Vaughan Morgan Prize - Best FHS dissertation
 Carwardine Prize for best overall performance
 FHS Part II Immunology Prize
 Gibbs Prize - Joint Schools with Mod Lang (Prelims)
 Gibbs Prize (Prelims)
 Kirk-Greene Prize for undergraduate thesis
 Gibbs Prize - 1st in year in Part C
 Physics Prize for Prelims Practical Work
 Gibbs Prize - Organic Chemistry
 Proxime Accessit Gibbs Prize (Prelims)
 Gibbs Prize (Prelims - Financial Management)
 Gibbs Prize - 1st in year in Part 1B
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 Proxime Accessit Gibbs Prize
 Gibbs Prize for the BA Group Project Presentations

2017/18 (omitted from last year's Record)

Thomas Reynolds *BA Oriental Studies (Japanese)*

Runner-up, Ivan Morris Memorial Prize for best dissertation

Pembroke Undergraduate Scholars and Exhibitioners

Vicky Alexiou, *MBiochem Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry*
 Nathan Barrow, *BA Philosophy and Theology*
 Rebecca Boyd, *BA Modern Languages (French and Russian)*
 Loic Bramley, *MPhys Physics*
 Imogen Brown, *BA English Language and Literature*
 Arwed Buchholtz, *BA Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE)*
 Matthew Budd, *MEng Engineering Science*
 Josie Campbell, *BA Law (Jurisprudence)*
 Riccardo Casini, *BA Economics and Management*
 Tara Chandrasekharan, *BA History and Economics*
 Yifeng Chen, *MEng Engineering Science*
 Deborah Cotton, *MPhys Physics*
 Etienne Cousin, *BA Biological Sciences*
 Owen Crush, *BA English Language and Literature*
 George Cull, *MMath Mathematics*
 Evan Deakin, *BA Biological Sciences*
 Oscar Deal, *Medicine - Preclinical*
 Ophelia Donoghue, *BA History and Mod Languages (French)*
 Callum Duff, *BA Modern Languages (French)*
 Guy Durant, *MBiochem Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry*
 Francesca Echlin, *BA History and English*
 Jessica Ellins, *MBiochem Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry*
 Karim Elmetstekaw, *MPhys Physics*
 Daniel Evans, *BA English Language and Literature*
 Lauren Evans, *BA History and Politics*
 Zoe Ford, *MBiochem Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry*
 Sydney Gagliano, *BA Music*
 Farid Garas, *Medicine - Graduate Entry*
 Molly Garnett, *BA English Language and Literature*
 Jun Goh, *BA Philosophy, Politics and Economics*
 Molly Goldstone, *BA Music*
 Moana Graham, *BA Theology and Religion*
 Elizabeth Green, *BA History and English*
 Rebecca Gregory, *BA Philosophy and Modern Languages (French)*
 Anna Guariento, *BA Modern Languages, Italian and Linguistics*
 Natalie Haarer, *MChem Chemistry*
 Rachel Hunt, *MMathPhil Mathematics and Philosophy*
 Filip-alexandru Ion, *MMath Mathematics*
 Thomas Jenkins, *BA Biological Sciences*
 Michal Jezierski, *BA Biological Sciences*
 Kiera Johnson, *BA Oriental Studies (Chinese)*
 Lydia Jowitt, *MPhys Physics*
 Mouki Kambouroglou, *BA Oriental Studies (Arabic)*
 Shakil Karim, *BA History and Economics*
 Faaria Khan, *MEng Engineering Science*

Thomas Lambert, *BA History and Modern Languages (Spanish)*
 Duncan Laurie, *MMath Mathematics*
 Evan Lee, *BA Philosophy, Politics and Economics (PPE)*
 Patrick Leggett, *MChem Chemistry*
 Krystofer Mackie, *BA Philosophy and Modern Languages (French)*
 Agathe Mangialumini, *BA Philosophy and Modern Languages (French)*
 Connor McGurk, *MEarthSci Earth Sciences*
 Elizabeth Munro, *BA Economics and Management*
 Tsvetana Myagkova, *BA Psychology, Philosophy and Linguistics (PPL)*
 Otto Newland, *BA Oriental Studies (Chinese)*
 Allyna Ng, *BA Law (Jurisprudence)*
 Kate Partridge, *BA Experimental Psychology*
 Robert Penman, *MPhys Physics*
 Charles Plumptre, *Medicine - Graduate Entry*
 Joseph Pollacco, *MPhys Physics*
 Adam Powell-Davies, *BA Oriental Studies (Japanese)*
 Cecily Price, *BA Biological Sciences*
 Christian Race, *BA Biological Sciences*
 Peter Rae, *Medicine - Preclinical (3yr)*
 Samuel Rush, *BA History and Economics*
 Gabrielle Russo, *BA Oriental Studies (Arabic and Islamic Studies)*
 Sara Sabha, *BA European and Middle Eastern Languages (French and Arabic)*
 Caitlin Shepperson, *MChem Chemistry*
 Adam Sneath, *BA Biological Sciences*
 Abigail Spokes, *BA History and Economics*
 Benjamin Stimpson, *BA Biological Sciences*
 Matthew Terry, *BA Law (Jurisprudence)*
 Tudor Tomescu, *MPhys Physics*
 Carolina Toso, *BA European and Middle Eastern Languages (Spanish and Arabic)*
 Isabel Troth, *BA Modern Languages (French and Spanish)*
 John Trusted, *BA Oriental Studies (Japanese)*
 Omar Tsang, *MChem Chemistry*
 Nancy Tucker, *BA Experimental Psychology*
 Laura Turner, *MChem Chemistry*
 Neha Vaze, *BA Modern Languages, French and German*
 Wanda Von Knobelsdorff, *BA Philosophy and Modern Languages (Italian)*
 Adrien Wald, *MBiochem Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry*
 Felix Walker, *BA Oriental Studies (Arabic and Islamic Studies)*
 Francesca Webb, *MPhys Physics*
 Yifeng Wei, *MEng Engineering Science*
 Yutong Wen, *MEng Engineering Science*
 Esme Wilson, *BA Economics and Management*
 Julian Wood, *BA History and English*
 John Wylde, *Medicine - Graduate Entry*
 Lucia Zharova, *MBiochem Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry*

College Events

An evolving academic hub: a calendar of intellectual activity at Pembroke

Oct 2018 - Sep 2019

Michaelmas

David Morley



Poetry at Pembroke

Poetry Series

Dr Peter King (lecturer in Philosophy) began organising a weekly poetry series in Michaelmas 2017, offering College members and the public an evening of free poetry recitals, open mic nights and other multi-poem formats. These recitals have proven to be continually popular, with a wide variety of poets each term offering a unique piece each week. Follow their events at: www.facebook.com/poetryatpembroke/



Lunchtime Music Recitals

Recitals

Throughout each term, lunchtime music recitals take place every Tuesday in the Pichette Auditorium. Organised by **Dr Guy Newbury**, lecturer in Music, these weekly recitals feature Pembroke students, alumni and invited musicians and are open to all members of the College, as well as the general public.



'V&A: The Civic and the Global' with Dr Tristram Hunt

Guest Lecture

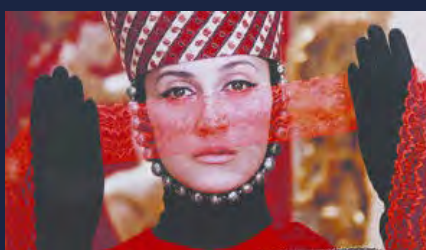
This unique event featured a talk from **Dr Tristram Hunt**, Director of the Victoria & Albert (V&A) Museum, discussing how the V&A's lasting commitment to the fields of design, education and industry continues to define its place in the world today.



Oxford University Media Society Talk with Sharon White

Guest Lecture

Chief executive of Ofcom and former civil servant **Sharon White** took part in a discussion with **Theo Davies-Lewis**, the President of Oxford University Media Society. One of the most influential figures in UK media, Sharon spoke about her work and the challenges and opportunities that face the media industry across the UK.



'Paradjanov Remastered: Screening of the Colour of Pomegranates' with Daniel Bird, Restorer

Film Screening

The screening of this remastered movie was shown in the Pichette Auditorium in conjunction with the Oxford Armenian Society. The screening was introduced by the restorer, **Mr Daniel Bird**, who has also produced the restoration of Sergei Parajanov's *Hakob Hovnatanyan* (1967), amongst other movies.

Eastern Christianity, Theology, Literature, Culture and Politics Lecture Seminar Series

Lecture Series

This series was convened by **Dr Hratch Tchilingirian** (Associate Faculty Member of the Oriental Institute) and **Professor Theo Maarten Van Lint** (Pembroke Fellow in Armenian Studies) throughout the academic year. These lecture seminars highlighted the rich historical, theological, literary and cultural heritage of Christian communities in presently much-troubled regions. Small in numbers relative to global Christianity, multi-ethnic Eastern Christian communities are among the most ancient natives in the Middle East and the wider West Asia region.



Sammy Wright

'Your Role in Access': The Access Society Launch

Society Launch

In November 2018, Pembroke staff, students, and alumni came together for the launch of The Pembroke Access Society. The Society is a JCR-led initiative which aims to further engage and develop Pembroke's access and outreach initiatives, and provide a space within College where members are able to learn more about access, as well as contribute ideas, arrange activities and promote access to a wider audience outside of College.

The evening comprised of activities, discussions, and talks from two notable access advocates, **Dr Peter Claus**, Pembroke Access Fellow, and **Mr Sammy Wright**, the Vice-Principal of Southmoor Academy in Sunderland, recently named one of 12 new Government Social Mobility Commissioners.

Dr Peter Claus discussed the success and growth of the access programme, in addition to the fact that many of those who had been involved with the programme had achieved notable academic success at Pembroke. **Mr Sammy Wright** then highlighted important considerations for future access work, and encouraged the use of long term, action-led work initiatives that emphasise the value of the academic from a young age.

The event ended with some positive group discussions in which individuals contributed their own ideas, focusing on how Pembroke's current Access and Outreach initiatives can be improved and expanded.



The Emery Prize

Art Exhibition

Nour Jaouda became the inaugural winner of the Emery Prize, which is given to a final year Bachelor of Fine Art (BFA) or Master of Fine Art (MFA) student at the Ruskin School of Art. Named after the founder of the Pembroke JCR Art Collection, **Anthony Emery**, the prize supports the most unique and artistic talent coming out of the University of Oxford, and will be awarded annually from now on.



Blackstone Lecture

Annual Lecture

The annual Blackstone Lecture, which provides audiences with a fascinating insight into some of the most distinguished legal minds in the world, returned to Pembroke last November. The lecture, which has been in recurrence since 1976, was given this year by **Peter Roth QC**, President of the Competition Appeal Tribunal, who spoke about 'The continuing evolution of competition law'.



'Inspiring Service'

Panel Session

A panel of senior Christian figures met as part of the 'Inspiring Service' event at Pembroke College. Featuring the **Rt Revd & Rt Hon Lord Rowan Williams** (former Archbishop of Canterbury), the **Revd Prof Frances Young** (Methodist minister), **Elder Jeffrey R. Holland** (one of the Twelve Apostles of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints), and **Lord David Alton** (Roman Catholic Independent Cross-Bencher Life Peer in the House of Lords), the event explored how individuals can translate Christian doctrine into Christian service, and what inspired the panellists to a life of service in the academy, politics, and faith communities.

100
YEARS

Pembroke marked the 100 year anniversary of the end of the First World War with several special events.



'Into Silence'

Performances and Workshop

In commemoration of the 100-year anniversary since the signing of the Armistice, Junior Research Fellow, **Dr Suzan M.R. Kalayci**, and **Professor Kate McLoughlin** (Harris Manchester College and the English Faculty) organised two events dedicated to silence. It featured an evening of silent performances which included sound-sculptures, mime, dance and film. This was followed by a workshop on silence the next morning, featuring academics from various disciplines, members of the public and creative practitioners.



Willoughby Weaving Exhibition

Library Exhibition

During November 2018 the McGowin Library displayed a small exhibition on Pembroke alumnus and WWI poet **Willoughby Weaving**. Willoughby came up in 1905 and graduated in 1911, during which time he was mentored by the future Poet Laureate, Robert Bridges. He published his first book of poetry in 1913 and served during WWI which subsequently influenced his work. In 1920, with a colleague, he established Elm Park Preparatory School in County Armagh where he spent the remainder of his career until his retirement in 1954.

'Armageddon: The First World War as Millenarian Moment'

Lecture

The war and its unprecedented devastation spawned a wide range of beliefs about what the world might look like for those who survived, influenced by a wide range of ideologies. In this lecture, Pembroke Fellow in Modern History **Professor Adrian Gregory** sought to explore the nature of some of these beliefs, both religious and secular. He asked whether the concept of millenarianism is useful for understanding some of the radical politics that started to appear within the shadow of the war.

This lecture, held to commemorate the Armistice, was intended to get people to think about the war's many meanings beyond the Western Front.



Remembrance Day service: Armistice a Century On

Chapel Service

Last year's Remembrance Day service held a particular significance given that it marked 100 years since the end of the First World War. The service was hosted in the Damon Wells Chapel and included speeches from **Professor Adrian Gregory**, Fellow in Modern History, and **Mr Mike Naworynsky OBE**, Home Bursar.



"Where do you put the camera?" How Geoffrey Malins and John McDowell filmed the First World War

Guest Lecture

This evening talk, held in Hilary 2019 by **Andrew McCarthy** in the Pichette Auditorium, examined the conditions under which Geoffrey Malins and John McDowell shot much of the 1916 feature film *The Battle of the Somme*, illustrating its context and how the film was received by the audience at the time. The evening featured a short film shot by cinematographer John Adderley on 35mm black and white film using a vintage hand-cranked Williamson camera, and a practical demonstration of the camera by John.



'Dateline-Saigon'

Film screening

Pembroke welcomed back alumnus **Tom Herman** (1971, DPhil Politics) for an interview and a special screening of a film he directed, *Dateline-Saigon*. The film focuses on the efforts of five journalists to speak truth to those in power during the Vietnam War.

Hilary



The D'Arcy Lectures 2019

Lecture Series

A series of seven lectures were held over the course of Hilary term 2019, hosted by **Professor Gustavo Morello SJ** (lecturer in Economics). In this series, Professor Morello sought to explore the relationship between religion and political violence in Latin America. Lecture titles included 'Why do we study religion?', 'What's going on in the Latin American religious landscape?' and 'What do Latin Americans believe in?'

Education System Panel Discussion

Panel Discussion

Professor Anthony Heath (Director of the Centre for Social Investigation at Nuffield College), **Professor Francis Green** (Professor of Work and Education Economics at the UCL Institute of Education), and **Dr Peter Claus** (Pembroke Access Fellow) met to discuss issues surrounding the UK education system and the radical changes that may be needed to solve them.



The Sleepless Alliance

Art Exhibition

The exhibition *The Sleepless Alliance* was featured to resist the parasomniac dystopias of current political genealogies, as an exercise of non-fiction. The works that were on display reflected on the potentiality of an intermission in present social order — opening up the possibility for different states of awareness to enact new ways of living together.

The Sleepless Alliance is part of the ongoing project Art for the Next Decade developed by Kenji Kubota Art Office with support of Arts Council Tokyo Project and interviews developed in collaboration with an advisory committee from Pembroke JCR.

'Historical Decision Making' – Courtesy of the Quill Project

Workshop Seminar

The Quill Project at Pembroke College hosted a digital workshop examining new, digital approaches to records of historical decision making. The workshop aimed to study how such records may be opened up for research and wider public engagement.



'Venezuela in Crisis'

Workshop Seminar

The Changing Character of War Centre presented a round table that analysed the Venezuelan crisis from a political, economic and regional approach.



'Digital Knowledge and the Death of Certainty: Shakespeare, Joyce, and the OED'

Guest Lecture

This special event was courtesy of News UK, and delivered by **John Simpson**, Senior BBC News Broadcaster. It examined the possible differences between how we know things in the modern day and how we knew them in the past. In particular, the effects of increasing digital knowledge were discussed.



The J.R.R. Tolkien Lecture on Fantasy Literature

Guest Lecture

Since 2013, Pembroke students have organised an annual public lecture in honour of J.R.R. Tolkien. The lecture's continuing purpose has been to promote speculative fiction - including the fantasy genre – as literature worthy of study and scrutiny.

This year's Tolkien lecture featured special guest speaker and bestselling author **Marlon James**, whose works include *A Brief History of Seven Killings*, *The Book of Night Women* and *John Crow's Devil*. The former two have both won a number of awards, with *A Brief History of Seven Killings* winning the American Book Award, and *The Book of Night Women* winning the Minnesota Book Award.

In addition to this, Marlon James' new book *Black Leopard, Red Wolf*, the first of a planned trilogy, was originally conceived as a response to Tolkien, thus highlighting the link between Tolkien's legacy and the ongoing commitment to the fantasy genre amongst modern authors.

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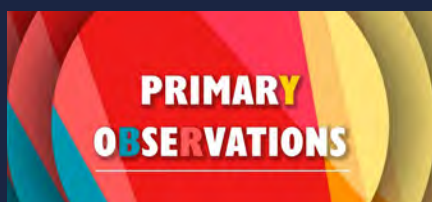
Trinity



Pembroke Arts Festival

Festival

This year, the JCR hosted a range of successful events throughout this annual festival, from watercolour painting, debating, T-shirt designing and salsa dancing. The week finished with the Pembroke Ball: *A Night in Paradise*.



'Primary Observations'

Art Exhibition

During Trinity Term 2019, the JCR art gallery displayed the *Primary Observations* collection. The collection was assembled to celebrate red, yellow and blue, the trio of primary colours, and their lasting impact on how artists and non-artists alike understand our visual world.



'Reading charcoal: Using particle physics detectors to decipher papiri' | Dr Jens Dopke, Rutherford Appleton Laboratory

Guest Lecture

Dr Jens Dopke of Rutherford Appleton Laboratory introduced the problem of reading ancient documents, from a particular project working on reconstruction of text from scrolls found in Herculaneum near Mount Vesuvius. The scrolls that were examined are made from papyrus and have been written on using organic inks. After the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD, these been slow-cooked under exclusion of oxygen, and have hence turned into lumps of charcoal. All attempts of unrolling these subjects have been destructive. Dr Dopke introduced dark-field x-ray imaging, and reported on the current status of the project, what is lacking at the moment and where they plan to be over the next few years.



'Bonnie and Clyde'

Musical Performance

'Bonnie and Clyde' was Pembroke's annual musical this year, taking us back to the height of the Great Depression, where Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow went from two small-town nobodies in West Texas to America's most renowned folk heroes and Texas law enforcement's worst nightmares. Fearless, shameless and alluring, this electrifying story of love, adventure and crime captured the attention of an entire country.

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Pembroke Ball: 'A Night in Paradise'

College Ball

Pembroke's College Ball took place this year on the 17th of May. The 2019 Ball had a new and interesting twist with the addition of the theme 'A Night in Paradise'.

This theme incorporated a flavour of the tropics, with the inclusion of neon lights, flavoursome cocktails and island street-food all contributing to this distinctly tropical feel.

In addition to this, the event also encouraged attendees to donate an extra £1 on top of their ticket price in order to support SolidariTee National, a campaign fundraising legal aid for refugees that is entirely student-led.

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'Digital Platforms under Scrutiny: Recent competition and regulatory reviews in the UK and Australia'

Lecture

Hosted by the Pembroke Blackstone Society and the Oxford Centre for Competition Law and Policy, this event compared and contrasted the approaches of the UK Government's expert panel and Australia's competition regulator to the fascinating

question of whether, and how, digital platforms exercise market power. At the heart of that question is how digital platforms acquire and use consumers' data and the complex algorithms that determine how consumers experience, and interact with, those platforms.



'Integrated Approaches to Solving Demographic Puzzles in Ecology'

Astor Visiting Lecture

Ecological systems are complex, making it difficult to accurately forecast future outcomes. When scientists claim with certainty that climate change is driving a species to extinction, they run the risk of extrapolating far beyond their data, making inaccurate predictions, and losing society's trust in science. This lecture, organised by Biology Fellow **Dr Roberto Salguero-Gómez** and led by **Professor David Koons** (Colorado State University, USA), presented research underlying the complexity of how species are affected by, and respond to climate change. Even the poster-child of deleterious climate change does not always respond in the dramatic ways depicted by the media.

'Religion as a changing category of Muslim Practice'

Workshop Seminar

A one-day workshop organised by Senior Research Fellow **Dr Alex Henley** discussed how 'religion' is a changing category in Muslim practice. Participants were invited to provide case studies examining how approaches to the category of 'religion' can be assessed in our study of Islam, and whether this critical thinking could open avenues for future research.



Radical Histories: Anti-Racist Activism Seminar Series

Lecture Series

A unique, five-week seminar series was held from May to June 2019 courtesy of 2018/19's Visiting Fulbright Professor, **Premilla Nadasen**. The series explored the history of anti-racist activism and organising worldwide.



'The Lost Art of Strategic Thinking'

Annual Changing Character of War (CCW) Lecture

The annual CCW lecture was delivered this year by **Lord Peter Ricketts (1971)**. Lord Ricketts, who worked as a diplomat for 40 years before becoming Britain's first National Security Adviser from 2010-12, focused on the lost art of strategic thinking and how this is particularly important for national security purposes in the digital age.



'A Language of Their Own'

Music Recital

A special music recital took place featuring **April Fredrick** (soprano) and **William Vann** (piano). The recital included pieces from Thomas Campion, John Joubert and Rachmaninov, amongst others.

This recital was made possible by the generosity of the Helen Roll Charity, generous supporters of music at Pembroke for a number of years.

Third Tanaka Symposium in Japanese Studies

Symposium

The Tanaka Symposium in Japanese Studies, hosted in memory of **Dr Kenji Tanaka**, this year celebrated the work of Noriko Mizuta. Mizuta had a long career in both Japan and the United States, where she made significant contributions to American literature, women's writing and poetry.

'The Impact of Bullying on Mental Health'

Guest Lecture

Professor Lucy Bowes (Fellow, Magdalen College) delivered a talk on the topic of bullying and its impact on mental health as part of a Psychology Research Evening in June 2019.



The Annual Fulbright Distinguished Lecture in International Relations | Rt Hon David Miliband

Annual Lecture

The 2019 Annual Oxford Fulbright Distinguished Lecture in International Relations was delivered by **Rt Hon David Miliband**.

David has had a distinguished political career in the UK. From 2007 to 2010, he served as the youngest Foreign Secretary in three decades, driving advancements in human rights and representing the UK throughout the world. His accomplishments have earned him a reputation, in former President Bill Clinton's words, as "one of the ablest, most creative public servants of our time." In 2016 David was named one of the World's Greatest Leaders by *Fortune* Magazine, and in 2018 he was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

The central focus of this year's lecture - 'The New "Arrogance of Power": Global Politics in an Age of Impunity' - was to examine the major shifts that are taking place in international relations today, and how these shifts are straying away from the principles of checks and balances towards an Age of Impunity. He explained how the rules-based international order that was forged after the Second World War is being undermined, and suggested how the multilateralist promise embodied by Senator Fulbright can be redeemed.

These distinguished annual lectures commemorate former United States Senator **J. William Fulbright**, alumnus of Pembroke College, Oxford and founder of one of the most prestigious international education awards programs in the world: The Fulbright Program.

Graduate Research Fair

Competition

The Development team organised this year's Graduate Research Fair as an opportunity to say thank you to our alumni for their continued support to the College with their gifts. The event began with presentations in the Pichette Auditorium by some of Pembroke's postgraduate students on their current research at College. Audience members were asked to vote for their favourite presentation, and at the end of the event the winning students, **Louis Morris** (2017, DPhil History) and **José Niño Barreat** (2018, DPhil Zoology) were awarded a £100 prize. This event provided a wonderful opportunity to experience first-hand the academic excellence of Pembroke today, with alumni meeting some of the students who they have supported with gifts to the Annual Fund.

Summer Vacation



Access Week

Conference

Throughout the year, sixth form pupils from our link schools across the country work on various academic courses and attend academic events in London, the North West and the North East. The Access week at Pembroke is the culmination of these programmes. Access week gives students a chance to explore the academic structure of Oxford and life at Pembroke. Students' hard work is recognised at the end of the week with an awards ceremony at Pembroke. This year, **Professor Danny Dorling** (Fellow, St Peter's College) alongside **Dr Peter Claus** (Pembroke Access Fellow) awarded students their certificates.

Common Room Reports



JCR

Roshan Shah (2017), JCR President

It has been a privilege to work alongside a committee so overwhelmingly filled with passionate and caring individuals, willing to go the extra mile in delivering a memorable and supportive experience for everyone in the JCR.

Our committee has been intent on ensuring that our JCR maintains inclusivity at the heart of its ethos. The newly created JCR Fund was set up to enable students experiencing financial strain to fully partake in Pembroke's social traditions, ranging from Guest Formals to the annual Garden Party. In addition to supporting a new scholar in the inaugural year of our REACH Scholarship, the JCR continues to leverage its financial resources in making the College and its traditions as accessible as possible, regardless of background. To enhance Pembroke's social media presence for prospective students, a new precedent of daily 'takeovers', Q&As and College life updates from our very own committee members has been established.

We have also made concerted efforts in strengthening the various communities we are proud to have amongst our students. For the first time in Pembroke's history, with the JCR's advocacy, the Pride Flag was flown in Pembroke for one week in support of LGBTQ+ History Month. With a new disabilities talk being designed for Freshers' Week, Pembroke's commitment to welcoming and supporting all of its staff and students was marked from the start of the year. Additionally, a new range of both Pembroke and inter-college social events took place, geared towards celebrating the LGBTQ+ and BME diversity with the wider student body. This culminated in a successful Arts and Diversity week in Trinity Term, involving an international food fair, film nights and artistic projects that led up to an illuminating keynote panel on *Access and Mental Health*.

Student welfare has remained at the top of our committee's priorities this year. The new Welfare Working Group across the JCR, MCR and College staff, provided a space for the development of new welfare initiatives, all of which have been successful so far - from Welfare Walks and baking lessons (courtesy of our generous Hall staff!) to the creation of informational guides regarding the welfare resources available. Finally, the joint decision to trial a new Welfare Co-ordinator staff position, focused on student welfare, highlights Pembroke's commitment to improving student wellbeing.

As always, there was a strong urge in the JCR to look outwards and give to the local community. A donation scheme at the end of every term involved the students and College staff facilitating the donation of clothes, blankets, non-perishable food items and sanitary products to the British Heart Foundation and The Gatehouse, a local homelessness centre. Furthermore, new environmental working groups allowed the development of strategies for improving sustainability at Pembroke. The end of our year was marked by the completion of a major project: the refurbishment of our Common Room, revitalising the space for future cohorts of students to enjoy.

From the sell-out shows of our Pembroke musical to the undoubtedly entertaining salsa night in Arts Week, there is a vast array of wonderful moments that could be mentioned here. I am truly excited to see our fantastic incoming committee continue the tradition of making the Pembroke experience the very best in Oxford!



MCR

Louis Morris (2017), MCR President

Pembroke's Middle Common Room is well named, as its members have always liked to be in the centre of things, and this year was certainly no exception. The MCR community thrives on building connections with other students and scholars, so wherever you look in College, you're sure to find a Pembrokian postgrad helping out. We've enjoyed collaborating with the JCR, both academically through the undergraduate mentoring scheme, and socially through joint events such as a comedy improv night and the successful College musical 'Bonnie and Clyde', and have also benefited from many fruitful partnerships with the Fellows and the SCR. These have included a shared Writing Group and other new initiatives, alongside time-honoured traditions like the biannual 'Master's Ramble' in the Cotswolds countryside. On that note, I'd like to thank Dame Lynne for all her support and enthusiasm throughout the years of her tenure, and we hope her successor will be just as good at guiding us through the wilds of rural Oxfordshire.

MCR members have also been putting their skills and knowledge to good use helping the wider world outside College. It seems invidious to single anyone out, but special mention must go to **Olivia Durand's** award-winning work as co-founder of the Uncomfortable Oxford Project (which runs educational tours highlighting the city's hidden histories), and to **Alex Barnes** for his development of the lifesaving app 'Lanterne' for aid workers in conflict zones. Collectively, the MCR has been a strong voice campaigning for action on divestment to fight climate change, and for increased support to access initiatives that will combat inequality in both undergraduate and graduate admissions.

Although Pembroke MCR is thus very much an outward-looking, socially conscious institution, we still find time to relax and enjoy each other's company. With the generous support of the Annual Fund, we've been able to organise outings to our sister college in Cambridge and to the historic city of Stratford-upon-Avon, though we always return home to the congenial (and recently refurbished) surroundings of the common room in Old Quad. There the Rose and Thistle Bar has hosted innumerable bops, film nights, and karaoke sessions over the last twelve months, as well as an ever-changing roster of experimental cocktails; this year's most popular tipple was the 'Mayor Pete', named in honour of MCR-bar-manager-turned-US-presidential-candidate **Pete Buttigieg**.

Regardless of whether Pembroke MCR acquires its first alumnus in the Oval Office next year, there are certainly great prospects ahead. The planned construction of new top-quality graduate accommodation on the Geoffrey Arthur Building (GAB) site will immeasurably improve our ability to house our members and foster a stronger MCR community, and the planned library renovations will benefit students for generations to come. Change is coming, but one thing is certain to remain the same; the MCR will always be at the heart of life in Pembroke.

Sports



Sports

Guy Durrant (2017), JCR Sports Rep

Sport at Pembroke flourished throughout 2018-19. The Women's Netball team had their best season yet, building on the silverware of last year by reaching the Cuppers Final and being promoted into the 2nd Division with an unbeaten term. Men's Rugby was promoted from the JCR 4th Division and, in their second season of the year, they retained their position in the JCR 3rd division. They reached the Semi-Final of Plate Cuppers, only being knocked out by the eventual winners, Oriel College.

Men's Football had a strong season, with the 1st XI winning the JCR First Division and so being promoted to the Premier Division. With over half the team graduating at the end of the year, this was the perfect way for them to end their time playing for PCFC. The 2nd XI also managed to get to the Semi-Finals of Reserves Cuppers, but were sadly knocked out in a tight match with Christ Church 2nd XI.

This year saw the growth of the Lacrosse team who experienced a surge in popularity and reached the Semi-Final in the league knock-out competition. Alternative Ice Hockey suddenly came out of nowhere and became the most popular sport in Pembroke, with three teams entered into Cuppers. In Trinity, many more students got involved in sports such as cricket, tennis, volleyball and rounders, leading to a broader representation of the students in the College teams.

For the first time, the annual Cambridge Trip took place against Pembroke College, Cambridge, who were very welcoming hosts. Across the six different games played throughout the day, we only lost one of them, proving that we were the better Pembroke! This year's Men's Rugby Captain and stalwart of the Men's Football 1st XI, **Sam Wall**, was the winner of the Pembroke Sportsman of the Year for his involvement in College sport and in the University's Men's Football team. Other notable mentions include **Hazel Ellender**, this year's Women's Rugby Captain and **Lindsey McGregor**, who ran the Alts Ice Hockey within Pembroke and also coached the University team. **Matthew Doyle** and **Edward Wilson** ended their last year at Pembroke with an impressive three colours each in Football, Rugby and Cricket.



PCBC

Dan Hameiri Bowen (2012), PCBC President

2018-19 was a good year for PCBC. Michaelmas began with the employment of a new Head Coach, **James Scott**, who joined PCBC from a successful stint coaching Caius College, Cambridge.

The impact of the new coach was immediate, with the novice crews fielding a very strong performance at Christ Church Regatta. The Women got through the first round, and the Men came back from a first-round loss to make the Semi-Final – representing the coaches' unique brand of "high-risk, low reward" race strategies.

As ever, Christ Church Regatta was followed by winter training and a demanding Torpids Campaign. Of the five boats competing, W1 shone the brightest by bumping Wadham and finishing the highest they ever had in second place. M1 also finished in second place, not quite able to catch Oriel. Lower boats struggled, but on the positive side, the teams now equilibrate in more appropriate positions for future success.

After Torpids, Easter training, and a very successful Pimm's Party, attention was now fully set on Summer Eights. Bolstered by the return of OUBC squad members **Charlie Buchanan**, **Ben Thomson** and **Anna Carbery** (whose coxing talent was swapped for rowing in W1), both first boats had good pedigree to achieve success. W1 lost the headship to Wolfson (powered by PCBC-turncoat engines), but M1 were able to put a silver lining on the week, attaining a popular bump on Christ Church – the first rise since 2013. Again, the lower boats had a tough time, but these struggles were a consequence of historically high positioning, rather than a lack of ability, grit or talent.

Overall, although this is the first time since 2011 that PCBC hasn't had a headship crew, the club finds itself in a good place. A fantastically renovated boat house (granted by the kind generosity of the Fitz family), alongside a community of rowers with a real appreciation for the sport, the foundations are set for many of the Pembroke community to enjoy and succeed in rowing at PCBC for many years to come.



Sir Roger Bannister Scholarship

In Hilary 2019, The Sir Roger Bannister Scholarship was jointly awarded to three students at a special event held one year on from the passing of former Pembroke Master, **Sir Roger Bannister**.

The Bannister Scholarship is an annual prize available to students in any subject who have shown excellent all-round performance in both academic and sporting activities, much as Sir Roger demonstrated during his undergraduate years at Oxford.

The three winning students were: **Jessica Forsyth**, who is studying Medicine and is Captain of Oxford University Seconds Squash Team; **Gabrielle Russo**, student in Oriental Studies and member of Oxford University Contemporary Dance Team; and **Rebecca Bell**, who reads English Language and Literature and represents Great Britain at Dressage. Each student was presented with a certificate by **Lady Moyra Bannister** and will receive a share of the £1,100 award.

Lady Bannister said her husband would be 'overjoyed' to hear about the students' successes. She added: "*With all athletes, he thought they needed to have other strings to their bows and always encouraged them.*"

The intimate presentation event brought together the Bannister Family, Pembroke students, Fellows and staff to also mark the one-year anniversary of Sir Roger's passing. At Pembroke, Sir Roger will particularly be remembered for the great contribution he made during his time as Master between 1985 and 1993.

JCR Art Collection and Gallery



JCR Art

Qianhui Yang (2017), President

The Pembroke JCR Art Fund Collection has enjoyed a productive year. Over the course of the academic year we have collaborated with various organisations and external curators on some interesting projects, as well as hosting several exhibitions, showcasing pieces within and outside of our collection.

The year started off before the start of Michaelmas Term with a short-term exhibition in collaboration with the annual Cowley Road Carnival, an outreach and cultural event which provides opportunities for members and groups in the Oxford community facing social and personal barriers. The exhibition included a large abstract, gouache painting by Alexander Calder (JCR art collection) as well as Calder-inspired pieces produced by a group as part of the project which featured in the carnival parade. The Cowley Road Carnival collaboration project was organised by local charity Cowley Road Works and our former Curator of Art, **Clara Chivers**, supported by Oxfordshire MIND. It was an honour for the Art Fund to be involved with this creative outreach project, especially as the first Cowley Road Works project partnered with the University.

Michaelmas Term saw a solo exhibition of work by **Nour Jaouda**, the inaugural winner of the annual Emery Prize, awarded to a student producing work exhibiting outstanding ability and talent for the Ruskin's degree shows. The exhibition showed the installation piece first exhibited at the Ruskin's Degree Show, *Friday Prayers at Darb Araba* (2018), along with Jaouda's other works, which challenge conventional ideas

of identity formation using deconstructed cultural motifs and found objects.

As the Emery Prize exhibition came to a close in Michaelmas, the committee took the opportunity to use the gallery space to hold a short-term exhibition consisting only of pieces from our own collection - the first of its kind in over a year. The display was curated by the Committee who chose their favourite pieces in the collection.

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During the year, we also had the pleasure of working with **Jason Waite** (Ruskin School of Art), **Margarida Mendes** and **Kenji Kubota** on a project as part of a three-year programme initiated by Kubota Art Office in Tokyo. The Committee discussed with Jason and Margarida the evolution and progression of art and its impacts on society through the ages. This led us to our exhibition in Hilary Term entitled 'The Sleepless Alliance', which focused on modes of imagining a

future through diverse means such as radical pedagogy, afro-futurism and collectivism, with interactive audio and video pieces projected using different media.

Throughout Trinity Term, the exhibition 'Primary Observations', curated by **Tatjana LeBoff**, our current Curator, was the perfect medium to reintroduce the JCR's own art collection to the gallery and the public; the exhibition encouraged viewers to engage with art, their concepts and their embedded emotions by focusing on the use of the primary colours red, yellow and blue.

As in the past, Pembroke JCR Art Fund has continued providing financial support to the undergraduate student body through the means of Hardship and Travel grants, with over £4,500 having been awarded to students in the 2018/19 academic year. As well as this, we have acquired two more pieces to add to our collection, both by the late **Rachel Owen**, a former lecturer at Pembroke.

I am pleased to conclude that this academic year has been productive and full of success, not only in our engagement with 'Art of Our Time' and the continuous financial support we provide for the student body at Pembroke, but also in strengthening our relationships with many individuals, groups and organisations in the local Oxford community and across the world. I look forward to remaining on the Art Fund Committee as a Trustee next academic year, and am especially excited to see how the Art Fund will progress. I am also looking forward to seeing works by **Donna Mann**, winner of the Emery Prize 2019, exhibiting in Michaelmas 2019.

Pembroke People - Alumni Portraits

Since its inauguration in Michaelmas 2017, Pembroke has continued to celebrate the life and achievements of recent generations of Pembroke students by hanging a selection of photographic portraits on the east and west facades of the Hall.

These alumni have been selected by the Art Committee in consultation with all Fellows. They represent former students who have successful professional careers, have achieved prominence in the public eye, or have been significant benefactors of the College.

Every year, six new portraits are hung to keep the display vibrant and varied. We hope that these images will provide a lively picture of the many walks of life in which Pembroke students have successfully found their place in the wider world.

The Display



Tamar and Patrick Pichette (1986 – Law and 1987 - PPE)

Tamar Pichette has a degree in Political Science & Psychology from Vassar College, and Law degrees from Oxford University, and from Osgoode Hall, Toronto. She practiced commercial litigation and contract law in Canada, and has served on several non-profit Boards, both in Canada and the US. Patrick Pichette is a Canadian business executive. He was Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Google Inc. from 2008 until 2015. He joined venture capital firm iNovia Capital as a partner in 2018. He is a Rhodes scholar and a member of the Order of Quebec. Tamar and Patrick are both Foundation Fellows of Pembroke, in recognition of their great generosity to the College, which has included a major gift to the *Bridging Centuries* Campaign for The Pichette Auditorium.



Damon Wells (1961 – Modern History)

Pembroke's longest-standing major benefactor in the post-war era, Damon Wells is a graduate of Yale, with a doctorate from Rice University in his native Houston. He is a major philanthropist who has given generously to Pembroke, supporting a History Fellowship and the College chapel and chaplaincy, as well as the *Bridging Centuries* Campaign. Damon is an Honorary Fellow of Pembroke, as well as a Member of Oxford University's Chancellor's Court of Benefactors. In 1991 he was awarded an Honorary CBE by the Queen.



John Harding (1953 – Engineering)

After completing his undergraduate Engineering degree, John Harding did a DPhil and then worked at the National Physical Laboratory. He returned to Oxford in 1964 and subsequently became a University Lecturer in Engineering Science, with a Tutorial Fellowship at Mansfield College. John's research was on the mechanical behaviour of materials under impact loading. As a member of the Rolls Royce Technology Centre in the University Engineering Department his work concerned the integrity of aero-engine fan blades.



Rayna Denison (1994 – Oriental Studies)

Rayna Denison is a Senior Lecturer at the University of East Anglia in Art, Media and American Studies. Rayna teaches and does research on contemporary Asian Cinema, and specialises in Japanese film and animation. Rayna is the author of *Anime: A Critical Introduction*, she has edited a collection on Princess Mononoke, and her articles can be found in many leading film and media journals.



Edmund 'Ed' Conway (1999 – English)

Edmund 'Ed' Conway is the Economics Editor of Sky News, the 24-hour television news channel. He is also the chief economics commentator for *The Times* newspaper. He previously covered economics for the *Daily Telegraph* and *Daily Mail*, and is the author of two books: *The Summit* and *50 Economics Ideas*.



Maria Eagle (1980 – PPE)

Maria Eagle is Labour MP for Garston and Halewood. She was first elected to Parliament in 1997. A Minister for nine years in the Blair and Brown administrations, she held the rank of Minister of State in the Ministry of Justice and the Government Equalities Office and served also in the Northern Ireland Office, Department for Work and Pensions and the Department for Education and Skills. She was appointed to the Shadow Cabinet in 2010 where she served for six years shadowing four Departments.

Home Bursar's Report



Rather than launch into my annual listing of all the projects and initiatives we have tackled this year (and there have been many), I would like to look a bit further down the road as we head towards our 400th anniversary in 2024. That is not to say that we haven't been busy renovating buildings and 'fixing things', but I hope you will take that all for granted. Likewise, the effort that all of the College Staff have put in to keep the College moving forward has again been exceptional.

For some years now, Governing Body has been very conscious that our ability to offer accommodation to the Pembroke graduate community has been limited. Indeed, over the last five years we have seen a slow but steady decrease in our offer to graduates as more and more undergraduates decide that living in College accommodation is their preference – thus reducing any spare capacity for graduates to take up. It is perhaps not that surprising that we see this: College accommodation is keenly priced when compared to private rental accommodation in the City. But this decline – in an already limited offering – really hits our graduate fresher community, who are often coming to Oxford for the first time and may even be coming to the UK for the first time as well. Finding suitable rooms in Oxford has become increasingly expensive, and graduate students have found themselves living further and further away from College life and from University facilities. This also has the effect of reducing the stock of affordable accommodation for people who want to work in central Oxford (including in many cases our own College staff).

The College Strategic Plan confirmed that improving the offer of accommodation for graduates should be a priority, and we have therefore been looking carefully at the options available to us. In Summer 2018 we commissioned a Feasibility Study into whether we could adapt buildings at the Geoffrey Arthur Building (GAB) to provide some graduate accommodation. This study quickly identified that, while it was possible to make alterations to the 'domestic building' and convert it to accommodation, a far more cost-effective route would be to demolish the under-utilised domestic building and replace it with a purpose-built facility. Governing Body very quickly endorsed this approach, and over the past year we have worked incredibly quickly to design a new building to provide 77 bedrooms, four studio flats and a Common Room space, all on our existing



estate. This exciting development, which will be a sustainable building and one which is also fully accessible, will allow us to offer over 80% of our graduate freshers the option of College accommodation – with surplus rooms being offered to graduates in their subsequent years. A massive improvement in availability, one which will be welcomed by the graduate community, and is in line with the University's plans and the local Council Policy. We have also managed to find room in a corner of the site to build four additional flats for academic staff – which will be a very welcome addition and will help us to attract junior academics to our community.

77 *new bedrooms*

4 *integrated studio flats*

4 *standalone studio flats
for academics*

New *Common Room*

Progress has been rapid, with the design all but complete, and the necessary planning application submitted; as we go to print, we await the formal outcome. If permission is granted, we intend to move quickly and start demolition of the main building in Summer 2020. This will allow construction and opening of the new accommodation by April 2022, and in time for the new academic year. During this time, the existing undergraduate rooms

at the GAB will remain in use, and so careful consideration of how to demolish and build in a confined space – while making sure we can continue to offer students appropriate accommodation – is under way. We also hope that today's students will be keen to help us develop the internal layout of the new building, and the new landscaping scheme around the GAB – a key aim is to improve the public domain and the approach to the site. Hopefully, we will have some good photographs in next year's *Record*, but for now, here is the artist's impression of our new building, which is designed to meet the Oxford sustainability targets and encourage green transport. We have been very encouraged by the views of local residents, and the opportunities the building will present are significant.

But I should also mention that we have not forgotten our existing accommodation on the Main Site. We are already planning a renovation programme for Staircases 12 -15 (Feasibility Study completed – project start circa 2022) and the MacMillan Building – areas in North Quad which are desperately in need of upgrade to make sure they are viable for future students. Essential investment to ensure that we maintain our estate, and a fitting piece in our planning to move forwards after 2024.

So, looking ahead I think we have plenty to keep us busy...

Mike Naworynsky OBE, Home Bursar



■ Proposed new accommodation

Finance



A lot has happened in terms of the College's Finance in the last 12 months. We have continued to balance the books and indeed, through continued careful expense control, we have retained the excellent discipline of recent years in recording a small surplus in the normal day-to-day operations of the College.

Income from our portfolio of external investment properties has doubled, and we have refinanced an existing high-interest debt through a private placement deal at a much lower rate over 45 years. The private placement monies will also provide full funding for the GAB development project (see p20), which will of course generate student rental income to pay back the investment over time. And it also allows us to consider real estate opportunities on our doorstep (watch this space for future news).

The College portfolio of rental properties is all now let (bar one which is in progress), and as already mentioned, it is yielding a great return for the College investment pool. We continue to increase our holdings in the very successful Oxford University Endowment,

which has proven to be an excellent diversified investment. My enormous thanks go out to our highly skilled and experienced volunteer Investment Committee for their support in this endeavour, and special mentions to **Bea Hollond** (1979), who has stepped down from Chair, and to **Lisha Patel** (1999) who has taken over this year.

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Your College is in good financial shape; we have emerged from the difficult times of the 80s and 90s into a much brighter financial place where we are stable and financially sound. We still remain well below the College median in terms of College resources, but we have some of the most exciting financial opportunities in the Collegiate University. We still rely heavily on our generous donor support, but we have a number of ways to channel this support to make a real difference to life at the College and to its future.

You will read about financial headwinds and challenges in the mainstream media, and you will read even more concerns if you stray into specialist education publications. Pembroke, in contrast, remains prudently optimistic. We have a great base on which to build and in many ways, with the support of our alumni, we have the perfect platform for an exciting future.

On the Finance team, we have welcomed new members. **David Guest** has been an excellent addition as Deputy College Accountant. **Helen Joynson** has seamlessly and masterfully taken over the reigns as College Accountant, proving that home-grown talent is often the very best. Both **Joan Dolton** and **Allison Phipps** have stepped up to make the Finance team work incredibly well as a unit.

My thanks to the Finance and Planning Committee for their guidance and support through a lot of change. My thanks also to my colleagues for all their efforts to generate income, and for the willingness to carefully control expenses. From Fellows to support staff to students, all have been careful and considerate custodians of College resources; there is a great culture at Pembroke in this respect.

We are about to complete the first 400 years of Pembroke College financials, and there have been many highs and lows along that journey. We are determined to build the resources needed to propel Pembroke to the top of the College league tables over the next 400 years. To be the top college in the world's top university is an aspiration that is well worth getting behind.

Jeremy Bennett, Bursar



Income and Endowments	2019		2018	
	£'000	%	£'000	%
Charitable activities				
Teaching, research and residential				
Tuition fees - UK and EU students	1,676	11	1,708	13
Tuition fees - Overseas students	958	6	734	5
Other fees	546	4	676	5
Other Office for Students support	83	1	84	1
Other academic income	1,357	9	782	6
College residential income	2,889	20	2,742	22
	7,509	51	6,726	52
Other trading income	2,169	15	1,738	15
Legacies and donations	2,755	18	2,150	17
Investment income	2,353	16	2,097	16
Other income			-	-
	7,277	49	5,985	48
Total Income	14,786	100	12,711	100
Expenditure				
Generating funds				
Fundraising	587	3	547	5
Trading expenditure	1,302	8	1,228	11
Investment management costs	375	2	271	2
	2,264	13	2,046	18
Charitable activities				
Teaching, research and residential				
Scholarships, prizes and grants	616	4	478	4
Bursaries and hardship awards	88	1	95	1
Other teaching, research and residential costs	7,820	46	6,692	57
Support costs	6,149	36	2,360	20
	14,673	87	9,625	82
Total Expenditure	16,937	100	11,671	100
Net Income before gains	-2,151		1,040	
Investment gains	6,473		3,461	
Net movement in funds for the year	4,322		4,501	
Fund balances brought forward	86,131		81,630	
Funds carried forward at 31 July	90,453		86,131	

	2019	2018
	Group	Group
	£'000	£'000
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets	32,957	31,398
Property investments	3,596	4,519
Other investments	92,969	60,302
	129,522	96,219
Current assets		
Stocks	222	212
Debtors	1,734	2,153
Deposits and other short term investments	0	1,502
Cash at bank and in hand	3,745	2,835
	5,701	6,702
Liabilities		
Creditors: falling due within one year	1,680	2,211
Net current assets	4,021	4,491
Total assets less current liabilities	133,543	100,710
Creditors: falling due after more than one year	40,107	12,658
Net assets/ (liabilities) before Pension Liability	93,436	88,052
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	2,983	1,921
Total Net assets	90,453	86,131

Analysis of accounts

2018-19 saw continued healthy financial performance, with the net movement of funds for the year ending up at £4.3m, and College Funds overall rising to £90.5m. This despite two significant one-off expenditure items: firstly, the £2.6m break costs of refinancing a long-term loan (to a much lower interest rate) and costs of setting up our private placement borrowing. Secondly, a £1m increase in our provision for pension scheme liability was made, in response to the most recent available valuation figures for the USS scheme. On the positive side, we saw an exceptional year for conference and events income, with a c.£400k increase on 2018. This will not be sustainable as planned works at the GAB (see pg 20) will limit capacity in the coming years.

The major contributor to a solid outcome for the year overall was extremely strong investment gains. The combination of high performing markets with the addition of some £24.5m of private placement borrowing to our portfolio during the year led to total returns of close to £6.5m. In the coming years private placement funds will be used to pay for works at the GAB and for suitable property investments (see pg 21).

We will continue to pursue prudent management of the College finances, with our eyes open to new opportunities as these arise. It is vital that we do our utmost to support and strengthen our position to ensure that academic priorities can be pursued and opportunities can be responded to.

Funds of the College

Endowment funds	63,208	58,477
Restricted funds	5,185	4,401
Unrestricted funds		
Designated funds	1,464	1,433
General funds	23,579	23,741
Pension reserve	(2,983)	(1,921)
	90,453	86,131

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Governing Body of Pembroke College on 4th December 2019:

Master: Dame L J Brindley

Bursar: Jeremy Bennett

Alumni & Development



2018-2019 has been a fascinating year of meeting Pembrokians around the world, developing new initiatives to reach out to even more alumni, and preparing for several large projects that are about to come online.

We have been delighted with the reception of our 'Meet the Fellows' series, through which 10 Fellows and College staff have met with alumni as part of their own personal research or conference travel. This allows us to visit alumni in a huge range of locations that would simply not be financially possible otherwise. From Kuala Lumpur to Seattle, Manchester to Gent, San Francisco to Singapore, it has been wonderful to hear what people are doing, to share news from the College and talk about the different types of research being undertaken here at Pembroke.

I have also been delighted with the reception of our new monthly e-bulletin. This allows us to inform alumni, friends and parents of the accomplishments of students, Fellows, and Pembrokians from all eras. With our list of events constantly growing and evolving, the bulletin lets us keep you up to date. We know that we don't have contact details for all alumni, so anything that you can do to put us back in touch with your friends and fellow matriculands is much appreciated.

This year, we have put renewed emphasis on explaining the impact bequests can have on the College's future. Pembroke, although financially stable, is still well below the College median in terms of resources. This significantly impacts our ability to set and achieve aspirations, such as continuing our ground-breaking access and outreach efforts, attracting and retaining world-leading senior and junior academic staff, including increased investment in their research, and decreasing our dependence on regular giving and conference income. Gifts in Wills to the endowment therefore play a critical role in our future – no matter what size.

Why is endowment important? Oxford has been named the World's Leading University for the fourth year running by the *Times Higher Education* ranking, but it is worth highlighting how well-endowed our competition is. Outside the UK, the top five universities in the world charge an average tuition of £37,000 per year and have an average endowment per student of £1.3 million. For Pembroke and Oxford, fees for UK and EU nationals (approximately 70% of the student body), are capped at £9,250, which must be shared



by the colleges and University. As you can see, there remains a clear need to grow our endowment if we are to remain a world leader.

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It has been wonderful to hear what people are doing, to share news from the College and talk about the different types of research being undertaken here at Pembroke.

Needless to say, donations and volunteer efforts from friends and alumni make a critical difference to almost every aspect of College life:

- **Ian Cormack** (1966) has just stepped down as Chair of the Alumni Advisory Panel after 40 years of volunteer leadership with alumni engagement and fundraising for the College.

- Two anonymous alumni have created a fund that will support student art, sport and wellbeing activities, to ensure that our rich extracurricular programme can continue for future generations.

- **Greg Neale** (1999) has been collecting oral histories of alumni, Fellows, scouts and other College personalities from every era to feed into the *College History*, which he is currently editing. Hong-Kong-based alumnus **Christopher Howe** (1974) has also made a generous gift that will support its production ahead of the 2024 anniversary.

- Long-time supporter **Damon Well's** Foundation has endowed a fund to support Chapel music, the organ, choral scholars and the choir throughout future years.

- A raft of alumni from the 70s through to the noughties specialising in advertising joined **Mike Hall** (1971) and **Jim Carroll** (1983) to participate in a creative session that will inform our communications and consultation efforts for the years to come:

Genevieve Edwards (2007), **Matt Turnbull** (2006), **Laura Albery** (1996), **Sian Morgan** (1993), **Mark Russell** (1989), **Stephen Gosztory** (1981), **Jeremy Hill** (1977) and **Martin Bowdery** (1975)

- The Tanaka family, who sadly lost visionary patriarch **Dr Kenji Tanaka** in 2019, continue to support the endowment of our Biochemistry Fellowship, as well as programming and junior academics in Japanese.

- An alumnus in California has generously committed a seven-figure bequest that has virtually doubled known legacy commitments and will eventually endow a Fellowship at the College.

- Needless to say, all of the members of our Alumni Advisory Panel, Campaign Board and the Pembroke College Foundation in North American Board have also continued to give their time tirelessly (see right).

Thank you for your continued interest in and enthusiasm for Pembroke.

Alice Gosling,
Strategic Development Director

Alumni & Development

2018-19 Donations

Capital (£'000s)

	18/19	17/18
Endowment	831	502
Legacies	14	147
Bursaries	71	2
Scholarships	11	1
Fellowships	239	78
Major Buildings	85	11
Other	5	1
Total	1,255	742

Revenue (£'000s)

	18/19	17/18
AF Inc. Scholarships	628	565
<i>AF General</i>	527	462
<i>Scholarships</i>	102	103
Fellowships & Academic Resources	313	367
Legacies	35	41
Access	102	65
Other scholarships & Student Support	422	370
Total	1,500	1,408

Grand Total **2,755** **2,150**

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2018-19 Annual Fund



2018-19 was a very positive year for the Annual Fund, with alumni generously giving £526,000 in support of the College and our students. These donations are key to Pembroke remaining the open, academically rigorous and welcoming community that we all know and love. This year, some of the things that your gifts to the Annual Fund made possible were:

- Involving around 400 pre-university students in our innovative Access Programme;
- Awarding grants to several student-led projects and initiatives such as the Pembroke Musical, Oxford Hands-on Science Outreach Summer roadshow, and the Tolkien Lecture 'Our Myths, Our Selves' delivered by the Man Booker Prize-winning author, Marlon James;
- Keeping the library stocked with £14,000-worth of essential books;
- Funding half of the Oxford Bursaries received by 72 undergraduate students, coming to a total of over £102,00.
- Gifts totalling over £100,000 provided 37 graduate students with vital financial support that allowed them to carry out their ground-breaking research at Pembroke.

All of this and more is thanks to the generosity of our alumni; 9% of alumni currently make a regular gift to Pembroke, with an extra 11% of alumni making single gifts this year, and 30% of alumni having ever made a gift to the College. The support that these alumni give us is hugely appreciated. Imagine what else we could achieve if even just 10% more chose to join their fellow Pembrokeans in making a regular gift to the College next year...

Eleanor Mottram (2014),
Development Officer

2018-19 Alumni Events



In 2018/19, the Development Team organised 32 alumni events. With the introduction of smaller, localised events, such as the Meet the Fellows series, we are aiming to maintain relationships and engage the Pembroke community regularly, regardless of where you are in the world.

Our Graduate Research Fair, where current postgraduate scholars presented their work to an audience of donors, saw a tiebreak between **Louis Morris** (2017, History) who spoke about 'Strange Folk': Encounters with foreign soldiers in the Holy Roman Empire c. 1600' and **José Niño Barreat** (2018, Zoology) who spoke about 'The New Science of Palaeovirology: understanding viruses in the remote past'.

The annual Leavers' Dinner was better attended than ever before, which is especially important as we can lose contact with 80-90% of our leavers in their first year out of University. The ability to share the benefits of staying in touch is hugely important to us here at College.

We have had many sell-out events, such as the House of Commons tour and the 1982-1987 Gaudy in April. With new events like Pembroke at the Pickle (monthly happy hours at the Sterling Bar in London's Gherkin) proving to be popular, we will continue to provide inclusive and accessible events to our alumni and friends.

If you would like to provide ideas or offer organisational help for events, please do contact us as we are always open to new suggestions. We hope to see you at a Pembroke event soon!

Emma Leader,
Events and Stewardship Coordinator



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1st August 2018 - 31st July 2019

* Indicates deceased

We offer sincere thanks to all alumni and friends who have made gifts to the College, for whatever purpose, during the past financial year, and are pleased to list their names below. In addition to the names listed, we have received donations from 30 alumni and friends who prefer to remain anonymous. Our thanks to them as well.

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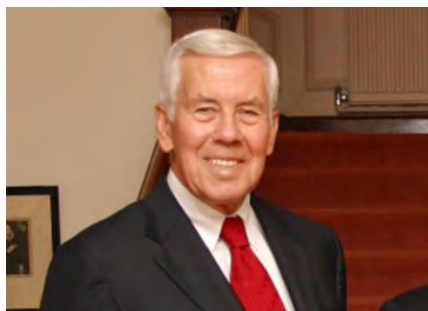


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Senator Richard G. Lugar, Honorary Fellow, 1954

4th April 1932 -

28th April 2019

Richard ('Dick') Lugar arrived at Pembroke as a Rhodes Scholar in 1954 to read PPE, and was elected President of the JCR during his time here. After leaving Pembroke, he served in the US Navy from 1956-60 and subsequently worked in his family's food machinery manufacturing business in Indiana.

In 1964 Lugar entered public life as a member of the Indianapolis Board of School Commissioners. In 1968 he took up the office of Mayor of Indianapolis and was re-elected to a second term. He then went on to serve five terms in the United States Senate, from 1977 to 2013, as a member of the Republican Party.

Known for a bipartisan approach to international issues, during his tenure in the United States Senate Lugar exercised leadership on critical issues such as food security, nuclear non-proliferation, energy independence, and free trade. The 1992 Nunn-Lugar legislation was a pivotal point in the de-escalation of tension between the USA and the Soviet Union. Senator Lugar served as Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee twice (1985-1987 and 2003-2007), following in the footsteps of Senator J William Fulbright, also a Pembroke alumnus and fellow Rhodes Scholar, with whom Lugar had started a correspondence while at the College.

During a speech at Oxford in 2005, Senator Lugar discussed the profound influence his time at Pembroke had on his later life: *"I discovered the extraordinary challenges and opportunities of international education at Pembroke College – my first trip outside the United States [...] I gained a sense of how large the world was, how many talented people there were, and how many opportunities one could embrace"*.

A valued and committed member of the Pembroke community, Senator Lugar served as Chairman of the Pembroke College Foundation of North America from its inception in 1984 until his death. He hosted

the most recent meeting of its trustees in November 2018 in his office at The Lugar Center in Washington, and before that for many years in his Senate office. He also took on the role of Honorary Co-Chair of the College's *Bridging Centuries* fundraising campaign in 2008, hosting Pembroke events in Washington, D.C. and visiting the College frequently.

Master of Pembroke, Dame Lynne Brindley, comments: *"It was a privilege to have known Dick and his support for Pembroke and pride in the College was a great source of inspiration for us all"*.

Senator Lugar was recognised for his public service with many awards and accolades, including election to an Honorary Fellowship of Pembroke in 1984. He was the 2005 recipient of the American Foreign Service Association Lifetime Contributions to American Diplomacy Award and the 2016 recipient of the J. William Fulbright Prize for International Understanding. Her Majesty The Queen bestowed an Honorary Knighthood in honour of his work to make the world more secure from weapons of mass destruction and his commitment to the U.S.-U.K. alliance. President Barack Obama named Senator Lugar a recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

Senator Lugar is survived by his wife Char, and his four sons Mark, Bob, John, and David.



Dr Kenji Tanaka, Honorary Fellow

February 1929 – 1st February 2019

Dr Kenji Tanaka was elected a Foundation Fellow at Pembroke in 1999 and an Honorary Fellow in 2008 in recognition of his philanthropic engagement in educational ventures and institutions around the world, his innovative approach to education, and the integrity of his heartfelt yet visionary approach to international cultural exchange.

Dr Kenji Tanaka was a pioneer in the field of global education. He received numerous honorary degrees from institutions of higher education around the world. In 1991, the government of France awarded him La Médaille de la Jeunesse et des Sports and

in 1993, President Bill Clinton honoured him as a Distinguished Educator. Numerous international foundations and associations benefitted from Dr Tanaka's time and expertise. In 1959 Dr Tanaka founded a technical education college in Tokyo, known today as Technos College, to meet the needs of students and industry in a rapidly changing society.

Mindful of the increasing interdependence of the global community, Dr Tanaka worked throughout his professional life to promote international understanding through educational opportunities. In 1990 he established the Tanaka Memorial Foundation in memory of his father, Juichi Tanaka, the founder of Meijo University in Nagoya, Japan. The Foundation funds collaborations between Japan and other countries through cultural exchange programmes designed to introduce participants to Japanese life, culture and the academic world. Pembroke College is one of the institutions fortunate to benefit from this programme, and is invited each year to send four undergraduate students and one Fellow on a fully funded two-week trip to Japan.

The Technos International trip gives Pembroke students an extraordinary opportunity to experience Japanese life and culture, and has a profound and lasting impact on those who take part. Dominic Saad (Medicine, 2014), took part in the programme in 2016. He said: *"Never in my life have I experienced such varied culture, hospitality or sheer wonder as I did on my two-week visit to the college"*. Jack Smith (Engineering, 2015), who travelled to Japan in 2017, said of his experience: *"From the everlasting enthusiasm and hospitality of the Technos students and staff to the amazing places we visited, food we tried and memories we made, it's challenging to satisfactorily describe some of the unforgettable experiences I had on the other side of the world."*

Pembroke students have also benefitted from Dr Tanaka's Technos prize, which is awarded annually to a final year Pembroke student who has demonstrated outstanding academic performance and commitment to the cause of international understanding.

The Tanaka Memorial Foundation also provides generous funding annually to endow several Fellowship positions, including the Tanaka Biochemistry Fellowship and the Tanaka Mathematics Fellowship at Pembroke, as well as providing support for the College to offer post-graduate funding for scholars in Japanese Studies and to host academic events.

Current Tanaka Biochemistry Fellow Professor André Furger comments: *"I was lucky enough to have met Dr Tanaka when I travelled to Japan for the Technos International event many years ago and several times thereafter in New York, at the Tanaka Memorial Foundation events. These were transformational experiences for me, as I not*

only experienced Japanese culture first hand but more importantly I was privileged to meet the warm, kind and inspirational Dr Tanaka and his family. His support for the Biochemistry Fellowship will secure research and teaching of Biochemistry in Pembroke far into the future.'

Dr Linda Flores, Fellow in Japanese Studies, writes:

"The June 2019 Tanaka Symposium for Japanese Studies was dedicated to the memory of Dr Kenji Tanaka and his life-long commitment to the causes of education, international exchange, and cross-cultural cooperation. The Symposium opened with tributes to Dr Tanaka and his work by Dame Lynne Brindley and Dr Linda Flores (Fellow in Japanese Studies). It was a particularly appropriate occasion for reflection, as the 2019 Symposium explored the topics of education and translation.

The Symposium included lectures by academics and students from around the world as well as a poetry reading and Translation Workshop that gave students a venue for showcasing their translation work. We hope that the event embodied the spirit of the foundation and its goal of fostering educational links between Japan and the United Kingdom.

Thanks to the generosity of Dr Tanaka under the auspices of the Tanaka U.K. Japan Educational Foundation, Pembroke College offers exceptional support for Japanese studies at Oxford, including the Tanaka Junior Research Fellowship, the Tanaka Postgraduate Scholarship, and the aforementioned Tanaka Symposium in Japanese Studies. Dr Tanaka will long be remembered as a great educationalist, a generous philanthropist, and as a driving force in transforming Japanese Studies at Pembroke College."



Professor Eric Stanley, Emeritus Fellow

19th October 1923 - 21st June 2018

***Hwær cwōm mearg? Hwær cwōm maġo?
Hwær cwōm mǣppum-ġyfa?***

***Hwær cwōm symbla ġe-setu? Hwær
sindon sele-drēamas?***

Ēalā beorht bune! Ēalā byrn-wiga!

***Ēalā þeodnes prym! Hu sēo prāġ ġe-wāt,
ġe-nāp under niht-helm, swā hēo nō
wære.***

***[‘Where went the steed? Where went the
man? Where went the giver of treasure?***

***Where went sitting at the feast? Where
are the pleasures of the hall?***

***Ah, for the bright goblet; Ah, for the
mail-coated warrior;***

***Ah, for the leader’s might! How that time
has passed,***

***grown dark under the helm of night, as
though it had never been.】***

So says the Wanderer, in the eponymous Old English poem still studied by first-year undergraduates. The heroic, antiquated, and utterly individual language here, spanning centuries, and lasting so much longer than one might expect, is entirely true to the memory and the celebration of Professor Eric Stanley, who died at the age of 94: for he was and did all of those things over the course of a mighty career that culminated at Pembroke.

Heroic, because it is unthinkable that anyone else could write almost 700 books and articles and reviews across 65 years (including one that appeared the month he died) on such an extraordinary range of topics, from Anglo-Saxon law, paganism, metre, philology, and poetry to Jane Austen and even dance. To be so learned and so contrarian, so supportive and so decisive (some might even say divisive), and yet be blessed with that strong streak of self-knowledge and self-doubt (but always, following John Donne’s injunction to doubt wisely) that only the truly heroic have.

Antiquated, because for Eric the past was always present, and antiquarianism was almost a faith, so that the walls and shelves of both houses in Walton Street were crammed with the books and prints

that were the fruits of a lifetime of faithful collecting. Dinner with Eric was always a joy, not only for his splendid cooking and fine wines and still finer cheese, but for the fact that friends old and new were always gathered not simply around the table, but within easy grasp, the familiar spines of much-loved, much thumbled tomes and dour and dutiful prints staring balefully down. Eric’s library of rare and first editions was unrivalled, and they weren’t just elegant and expensive wall-paper: he’d read them all.

As for individual, Eric was always very much his own man, carrying his own world with him, along with his love for and utter devotion to his wife Mary, their daughter Ann, and Ann’s children, James and Victoria. His sometimes scratchy and crotchety, precise exterior was a carapace for a deeply sensitive, thoughtful, and kind man, who deflected in order to reflect: he never spoke much about himself, and after Mary died, at the end of a long and beautifully crafted missive on mundane editorial matters, he simply noted: ‘I am irrationally sad’. He recognised that reason did not always prevail, but he railed against its absence all his life. The cruel blow of losing their beloved daughter Ann so soon afterwards left him bereft indeed, but he remained Eric to the end.

Eric was a wanderer. The facts of his early life are few: he was born Einhard Sternberg in Germany in 1923, and as a boy (if such a thing can be imagined) left with his parents and brother to escape persecution, attending Queen Elizabeth’s Grammar School in Blackburn, which he left in 1939, coming up to University College, Oxford in 1948, and then taking up a succession of posts in Birmingham, Queen Mary London, and Yale, before finally returning to Oxford in 1977 to become Rawlinson and Bosworth Professor of Anglo-Saxon in the University of Oxford, based here at Pembroke, a post he held with great distinction for 14 years. Eric never really retired, but just kept on with the reading, writing, research, and editorial work that had occupied him before, and would continue to keep him busy for more than a further quarter of a century. Throughout his life, Eric travelled widely, and while he had a minute and encyclopaedic knowledge of European cultural sites, based on repeated visits, Oxford was always his intellectual and emotional home.

If English was not his first, and certainly not his only, language, it was beyond peradventure the one he loved most and made his own, contributing insights into lexicography and bibliography for over 60 years not only to the *Toronto Dictionary of Old English*, but to the *Middle English Dictionary* produced at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and of course the mighty *Oxford English Dictionary* here; few had his range. It was no mistake that his British Academy Fellowship (he was first elected in 1985) came to be associated not with the section devoted

to Medieval Studies, but with that for Early Modern Languages and Literatures to 1830.

For his extraordinary service to the *Dictionary of Old English*, Eric was awarded a pair of Canadian Honorary Degrees. As a result, Eric made an appearance at Canada House in Trafalgar Square, and, following a polite enquiry from the newly-appointed Canadian High Commissioner as to whether this was his first visit to that splendid building, fixed him squarely through the thickest of lenses and simply said: 'No, I was here on VE Day; it was widely rumoured that the Canadians had the best beer'. A diplomatic silence followed. Whatever brought Eric inside Canada House that day, with all the ecstatic celebrations taking place outside, is not recorded: he never talked about his wartime work, and many have drawn their own conclusions about what a gifted linguist might have done during those difficult years.

Alongside his lexicographical work, Eric was co-editor and latterly Advisory Editor for 56 years of *Notes and Queries* (established in 1849, and so the most venerable journal published by OUP). It is now a quarterly, but in characteristic fashion Eric recalled that when he started it was a monthly, but observed with regret that before his time it had been a weekly, for sale at all good Victorian railway stations: you could tell that he wished he was there. When I first became an editor of *Notes and Queries*, I asked Eric if there was a standard form of rejection, and he looked through his mighty magnifying lenses, which only multiplied the associated terror, and opined: 'I always say "thank you for your imaginative contribution"'. Ever the old-school philologist, he mistrusted mere ideas, spurned fads, and was supremely unconcerned with issues of relevance, let alone impact.

The last time I spoke with Eric, at dinner in one of the few select Oxford restaurants of which he approved, and where he was surrounded by admiring colleagues and younger scholars, particularly the graduate students towards whom he always showed great kindness and generosity, I told him that he was a marvellous advertisement for a long and happy and productive retirement, and, before dashing across the street, utterly heedless as ever of the traffic speeding past, he gravely intoned: 'I don't mind retirement, as long as it doesn't interfere with my work'. Happily it never did. Eric was a mighty man, and he is and will be much missed: they don't make 'em like that any more. Heroic, somehow standing out of time, and utterly idiosyncratic, Eric richly deserves the praise given to his beloved Beowulf: *bū eart mægenes strang ond on mōde frōd, wīs word-cwida* ('You are strong in strength, and experienced in mind, wise in the way of words'). And in the way of words, Eric Stanley was, without doubt, the wisest of all.

**Professor Andy Orchard FRSC FBA
Rawlinson and Bosworth Professor of
Anglo-Saxon & Pembroke Fellow**



Dr Gordon Whitham, Emeritus Fellow

5th September 1929 -

22nd November 2017

Gordon came to Oxford and Pembroke from Birmingham University in 1965. I first met Gordon in 1969 when I came up as an undergraduate to New College. In those days Gordon was teaching Organic Chemistry not only in Pembroke but also in New College. Gordon taught me Organic Chemistry for the first three years and I then went on to do my Part II research year and DPhil with him. These first six years with Gordon set me on the road to where I am today and he has been an inspiration, supporter and friend ever since. Gordon similarly inspired many other generations of chemists that passed through Oxford.

I worked on epoxide chemistry, one of Gordon's many interests, which included sulphur, phosphorus and alicyclic chemistry. It was in the mid-60s and early 70s that Gordon developed an interest in trans-cyclooctene chemistry. In fact he was the first to synthesise the enantiomerically pure forms; that is the left and right-handed mirror image forms. Interestingly, one enantiomer was odourless whilst the other smelt absolutely terrible. Gordon viewed this chemistry as a purely academic exercise but in fact it laid the foundations for discovery 40 years later. In fact this decade, was fantastically useful in click chemistry as a benign biological linking agent.

Over his career, Gordon published more than 100 academic papers and three books. His first book was published in 1963, while he was still at Birmingham University, entitled *Acydic Chemistry*. In 1963 you could purchase this book for one guinea and it is still available on Amazon today. I managed to buy mine second-hand in 1970 for 12/6 and it is still on my shelf today.

Gordon was a founder of the RSC Conference series "Synthesis in Organic Chemistry". The first meeting was in 1969 in Oxford and has been held biennially ever since, alternating between Oxford and Cambridge. This is the most successful Conference Series ever organised by the

RSC and it continued this year with the 26th Conference in July in Cambridge. Gordon chaired the Oxford organising committee until his retirement in 1996 when I took over.

Gordon was passionate about chemistry as was immediately apparent to everyone who interacted with him. Indeed, when Margaret Thatcher was elected as Prime Minister he wrote to her saying how wonderful it was to have a chemist leading the country.

Gordon was characterised by his modest manner and mild appearance but underneath he was a very determined and focused man with a keen sense of humour. In a lecture to students about the introduction of NMR (nuclear magnetic resonance) spectroscopy to organic chemistry for structure determination he said "*before NMR if it looked like a chicken, walked like a chicken, and sounded like a chicken then it was reasonable to assume it was a chicken, but when NMR came along and said it was a duck it definitely was a duck*".

Gordon was always willing to give time to discuss chemistry and always available to talk chemistry with colleagues and students alike, even coming back to the lab in the evening to run problem sessions for anyone who wished to attend. He was always generous with his ideas without expecting any return or acknowledgement.

Today chemists turn to Google or chemistry-specific research engines to find the vital information they need to initiate or progress their research. Gordon was equal to all of these long before they existed. You could go and ask him any chemistry question and he would be able to cite references and provide guidance on how to investigate further. He had an encyclopaedic knowledge of chemistry second to none.

When Gordon retired in 1996, George Fleet and I felt we should mark this occasion with something special for Gordon and his wife, Mary. We contacted as many of his ex-students as we could find and there were loads! Everyone responded and as result we filled St John's lecture theatre for a whole day symposium on his former students' chemistry. Following that, we filled St John's to capacity for a dinner to celebrate Gordon's career. Unbeknown to Gordon and Mary, the finale of the evening was a firework display organised by one of his ex-students who ran the Kimbolton Firework Company, and the display was second to none. As the first firework went off Mary turned to me and said "*I never realised anyone cared*".

Gordon's contributions to chemistry and influence in the lives of many students and collaborators will long be remembered, as will the image of Gordon peddling his bicycle at breakneck speed through the streets of Oxford.

Steve Davies, former student



Len Weekes (“Len the Barman”, 1997-2012)

6th November 1934 -

7th January 2019

Len Weekes was born in Iffley. His mother, Violet, was a housewife and his father, George, helped run Oxford Jazz Club. Growing up, he was a member of Iffley scout group and Neptune Rowing Club, for whom he won several trophies as a teenager.

Aged 18, Len enrolled in an apprenticeship with the General Post Office, before joining the Life Guards army regiment in London. He became a horseman in the horse-mounted regiment - despite never having ridden one of the animals before. Once he left the Life Guards, he stayed in London and became a Chelsea FC fan, attending games until his later years. He returned to Oxford to work in the pay office at the Cowley car plant, before taking the first of several bar roles at Oxford United.

Len managed the supporters' club bar at the Manor, United's old home, working evenings and Saturdays. He was a part-time taxi driver, which is how he met his fourth wife, Debbie, in the mid-1970s. The Headington resident would give his future wife and her friends lifts to Bogart's nightclub in St Clement's and they started dating, before eventually marrying in 2009. In 1984, their son David was born.

Len was a staunch Conservative up to his final years, and spent time as an Oxford City councillor for Blackbird Leys. He was hugely proud of representing his ward and retained a love of politics, taking great interest when David was the Conservative candidate during a mock election at school.

After leaving the Manor, he managed pubs until the end of his career, starting with The Friar, on Marston Road. His next bar manager placement was The British Legion in Marston, where David would spend

plenty of happy hours with his Dad while growing up. It even returned him to rowing, managing the bar at City of Oxford Rowing Club, where his brother Andrew remains.

In 1997, Len became bar manager and porter at Pembroke. Into his 70's and a father figure to many, he was so well-liked that the bar was affectionately known as 'Len's' until he retired in 2012.

Len is survived by his wife, his brother, and children, Sarah, Ian and David.



Kenneth George Plant, 1948

5th September 1929 -

22nd November 2017

Although he was born in Bicester in 1930, Ken moved to Stow-on-the-Wold in the spring of 1931 and always thought of himself as a 'Stow Boy', a Gloucestershire lad.

In 1940, having attended the local infant and junior school, he moved onto grammar school a year early. The excitement of clambering onto the school bus and making his way to Westwood's Grammar School in Northleach for the first time, armed with his sandwiches and a gas mask, never left him.

He thrived at school and excelled in most subject areas. He particularly enjoyed History and English Literature and hoped to study these subjects in the Sixth Form. However, his headmaster, a chemist, insisted that he studied science subjects. It didn't do him much harm and in 1948 he was awarded a scholarship to study Botany at Pembroke.

His time at Pembroke was perhaps the happiest of his life, even though his studies were interrupted for a year by pulmonary tuberculosis. He played cricket for the College and was awarded his colours. A

photograph of the Pembroke Cricket XI from 1949 adorned his study wall, as did an engraving of the College, reflecting his affection for the place. His closest friends were those that he made during his time at Oxford and they met regularly, until recent years, to reminisce about their College days and to fortify their friendship.

After graduating, Ken stayed in Oxford and trained to become a teacher. He did his teaching practice at Leighton Park and thoroughly enjoyed the experience, immersing himself in the life of this Quaker boarding school. Having worked at Enfield Grammar School for a year, Ken was appointed Head of Biology at Friends' School, Saffron Walden in 1955. It was while he was at FSSW that he met and married Jean Alderson, a young and beautiful Latin mistress. They remained at the school until 1967, when they moved their family back towards Ken's tribal lands. He then became Head of Biology at Witney Grammar School.

As well as being a fine classroom teacher, Ken was interested in broadening the educational horizons and experiences of his students and as a consequence, he became a leading light in the Oxfordshire Sixth Form Conference. Their aim was to provide an opportunity each year for sixth formers to participate in university life for a week, experiencing tutorials, seminars and lectures, as well as holding debates, visiting museums and going to the theatre or a concert. Many of these students would never have been away from home before, and the essential aim was to provide opportunities to encourage independent thinking and intellectual development in ways not possible within a normal school environment. It also introduced them to new areas of study beyond the narrowness of their A-Level programme.

A serious car accident, shortly after he had been appointed Head of Science at Kingswood Comprehensive in Bristol, ended his teaching career prematurely. Ken remained in education, however, working at Sidcot School in North Somerset, another of the Quaker schools, where he played a number of roles. Des Harris, one of his colleagues there, once told me that Ken's most important role was as peacemaker in the staffroom; he always had time for a coffee and a chat. He would listen to the frustrations of his colleagues, offering sound advice and support and helping them to appreciate their own worth. Des suggested that every staffroom needed a Ken Plant.

One of the essential ingredients of Ken's character was his humility. Although he was academically gifted, so capable and so well read, he wore his learning lightly. He was never aloof, nor proud of his own accomplishments and gifts, but was always genuinely interested in the thoughts and

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deeds of others. It is what made him such a good teacher and colleague.

His great passion was music and he actively involved himself in local initiatives not just to satisfy his own interests, but to provide enjoyment for others. He was president of the Witney Music Society for many years, and helped to organise the Chipping Norton Music Festival. He was also a keen member of the Burford Orchestra and the Burford Singers. He also had a lifelong passion for cricket. He was Captain of Cricket at school and played for Stow, as well for Pembroke College. Although he played less cricket once he had a family, his interest in the game remained and he was a regular visitor at the Cheltenham Cricket festival in order to watch his beloved Gloucestershire.

In later life, Ken became a Quaker and was a member of Burford Meeting for many years. It seems pertinent to end this brief account of his life by quoting George Fox, the founder of the Quaker movement. His words and teaching are appropriate to the life that Ken followed.

"Be patterns, be examples in all countries, places, islands, nations wherever you come; that your carriage and life may preach among all sorts of people, and to them; then you will come to walk cheerfully over the world, answering that of God in everyone..."

Ken is survived by his wife, Jean, three children, nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Tom Plant, son



Brian Wilson, 1948

11th December 1926 -

17th March 2019

Brian came from Lancashire; he was born in Nelson in 1926. His father, Harold Wilson, was a skilled craftsman in the cotton industry — he was a cotton loom tackler. By the 1920s the cotton industry was in decline, and so with Wilson tenacity Harold moved his family to Coventry where the

new industries of motor car manufacturing, the production of artificial silk, and aircraft engineering were in the ascendancy.

At age 11, Brian won a scholarship to Bablake Grammar School. He was the first in his family to reap the rewards of a rigorous, first class education. He possessed for all of his long life an undiminished spirit of enquiry and an unquenchable thirst for knowledge.

After the bombing of Coventry in 1940, Brian was evacuated to Ulverston Grammar School where he finished his Higher School Certificate and served as a messenger boy in the ARP (Air Raid Precautions). He was called up in 1945 to serve in the Royal Navy, but the declaration of peace meant, as Brian used to put it, he was a sailor that never went to sea.

In 1948 Brian went up to Oxford where at Pembroke he read PPE under tutors who taught him to argue a case — to defend, not just propound an oral or written statement. Here his fine mind was challenged and stretched; his analytical skills sharpened, and he graduated to become an Economic Statistician.

At Oxford he met Joan Rosalind Dickinson who was reading PPE at St Anne's College; they married in 1951. After Oxford, Brian, accompanied by Joan and their daughter Merrita, was sent by the Colonial Office to Trinidad to complete a Diploma in Tropical Agriculture. In 1953 on their return to England, Carol was born; soon afterwards, the family moved to Kuala Lumpur, where Brian was Agricultural Economist to the Federation of Malaya, conducting the country's first national rice census. Three years later his son David was born in Alor Setar, North West of the Peninsular.

On the family's return to England in 1962 they lived near Witney before moving to East Molesey where they settled for some years. Here, Brian founded the Molesey Residents Association, thus saving many Victorian houses from demolition in the 60s bid to make way for modern housing. Later, as an Esher District Councillor, he played a significant role in bringing about a flood prevention scheme for the area.

Always looking for a challenge, Brian and Joan bought a holiday cottage in Hay-on-Wye and, later, a 100-acre holiday farm Llwyn Derw near Llangynidr. So began a long and enduring affection for the Black Mountains and Brecon Beacons. Lack of knowledge of sheep rearing was never a deterrent even if it meant taking orphan lambs in the rear of the Morris Traveller back to Molesey, to feed them during the school week; sheep dogs presented more of a challenge, when they developed a liking for nipping the heels of passing cyclists.

In 1971 Brian and Joan divorced. Joan retained her interests: in Wales, in History, and Fine Art; she enjoyed a successful career as an Archivist and published

writer. Brian continued to serve as Chief Statistician for the National Ports Council in London.

In 1974, Brian moved to Luxembourg to the European Statistical Office (EUROSTAT) where he was Head of Transport Statistics. Here, Brian met Josephine Bernadette Tiernan - the love of his life. Jo was working for the European Investment Bank. Her calm disposition and light Irish sense of humour were a perfect compliment to Brian's boundless energy and bright ideas. They married in 1978 and spent several years in Luxembourg where they restored a 17th century farmhouse at Mulbach, for which they were given the rarely awarded blue plaque by the Luxembourg Department for Historic Buildings.

Brian's career took him to destinations in West Africa, North America and various parts of Europe. On holidays with Jo he visited Thailand, Australia, New Zealand, and Malaysia including Penang.

On their retirement in 1992 Brian and Jo moved to the "Moat" at Weston-on-the-Green, where they enjoyed a warm welcome, and embraced the spirit of rural village life. Growing vegetables, keeping chickens, geese, a terrier named Rupert and ... two donkeys!! Brian's energies were taken up in projects and good causes: he became Treasurer of the Oxfordshire Branch of the English Speaking Union, Hon. Secretary of the Oxfordshire Royal Commonwealth Society, and Deputy Chairman of the Bicester Crossroads Charity.

After being loaned "Harward Lad" a retired racehorse, Brian became the Cherwell District Bridleways Officer; he rode in the Red Dragon 50 mile ride in mid-Wales. He rode on the South Downs and in Oxfordshire. He published *Oxfordshire Bridleways and Byways*, which sold on behalf of "Riding for the Disabled Charity."

Always one for a challenge and a competition, Brian made jams and chutneys which he entered in the local produce shows. He kept fit by daily swims at the Manor House pool and renewed his connections with the great institutions in Oxford and with his alma mater, Pembroke College.

Brian never forgot his time at Pembroke; he always maintained that his varied career and interests were founded on the stimulus, integrity, and the companionship he experienced as an undergraduate. He enjoyed returning to his old College, where he felt welcomed and took a huge interest in researching historical projects while meeting friends old and new.

It was Brian who proposed, and initially helped fund, The Annual Oxford Fulbright Distinguished Lecture in International Relations. These lectures commemorated former U.S. Senator J. William Fulbright, alumnus of Pembroke College and founder

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of the prestigious international scholarship: The Fulbright Programme.

Brian also established the Brian Wilson Scholarship Fund at Pembroke in 2007, funding two scholars reading Arabic and Chinese. Other institutions in Oxford enthusiastically supported by Brian were the Bodleian Library and the Ashmolean Museum, where he helped finance projects close to his heart.

Brian and Jo enjoyed their lives to the fullest in Oxford. Invitations to Celebration Dinners, Lectures and Special Events were eagerly opened and supported whenever they were available to attend. Brian and Jo entertained prolifically at home and at the adjacent Manor Hotel, which Brian called his "kitchen annex"!

In his later years, Brian devoted his time to researching the historic collections of Pembroke College. These included: the Pembroke silver collection, the portraits in Hall, the stained glass windows and the Heraldic Shields in the dining room and, in 2014, in collaboration with the Revd Dr John Platt he wrote, *A Gentle History of the Damon Wells Chapel, Pembroke College, Oxford*. Later, aged 91, Brian joined Dr Tim Brindley in publishing *A Gentle History of the Master's Lodgings, at Pembroke College*; this was published in 2017.

Brian published several works on his beloved village Weston-on-the-Green; he conducted a graveyard survey and researched the history of the village between 1789 -1854 in his *The Constable's Book*. His *Churchwarden's Book*, and *The Turnpike Road through Weston-on-the Green* also bear ample testimony to the very high regard which Brian had for this village and its people.

After Jo died in 2013, Brian found it increasingly difficult to live alone. Eventually, he moved to Eastbury to live with his elder daughter Merrita and her family.

He leaves three children from his first marriage to Joan: Merrita married to Louis; Carol married to Paul; and David (recently widowed) married to Cynthia. Three grandchildren in Sophie married to Harry; Charlotte married to Edward; and Hannah. And three great grandchildren in Georgia, Eva, and Amber.

Brian will be sadly missed by his family and friends...the over-arching memory of those who knew him well is summed up by Andrew Seton of Pembroke College who in a short letter to Merrita wrote: *"Erudite, always reading something, quite obsessive about issues and causes, whether national or parochial and never without a twinkle in his eye...there was very little we agreed about... but it did not matter. We always managed to laugh, I think."*

From a eulogy delivered by close friend Revd Christopher Brown



Antony Rees, 1952

23rd January 1935 -

13th August 2019

Tony grew up near Llanelli, South Wales, and exchanged a nominal faith for a personal one while studying at Oxford University and attending the Christian Union. He took up a place at Pembroke College, where he read Classics and English for four years (1952-56). These were very formative years and he loved his time there with tutors such as C.S. Lewis and Tolkien.

He then studied for the ordained ministry at Clifton Theological College in Bristol, prior to becoming a curate at St John's Parkstone, Poole, Dorset in 1960. He served on the mission field in India for a number of years before becoming a vicar of St. Luke's Church Hampstead, London. This was followed by being appointed as a tutor and Chaplain at Oak Hill Theological College in Southgate, North London. He went on to become vicar nearby at Christ Church, Cockfosters in Barnet.

Tony retired to Frinton-On-Sea in 2000 and continued to enjoy speaking engagements at many local churches and events. He also helped facilitate many groups, such as one for retired clergy in the area and Interserve mission who he served with. As well as enjoying writing for 'Thought for the Week' for the local gazette, in his retirement he also started book writing. He had a great love of sport including playing golf, and watching cricket and rugby, (especially when Wales were playing!). He was also devoted to his family and survived by his wife, four children and nine grandchildren.

Jon Rees, son



Graham Hall, 1954

30th December 1933 -

28th March 2019

Graham was educated at St Paul's where his lifelong love of and interest in the Natural Sciences was first nurtured. His National Service was done in the King's African Rifles, with whom he served in Kenya during the Mau Mau Rebellion; he was Mentioned in Despatches but insisted that he had no idea why.

He came up to Pembroke in 1954 to read Natural Sciences (Zoology) and immediately embarked on a career of getting as much out of life as possible by contributing to all his interests with great enthusiasm. He played rugby, rowed and ran for the College at modest level, and enjoyed social cricket with the Incompetents Club. He was also President of the Teazel Club and Chairman of the Summer Dance Committee. He also won a full Blue in Boxing for the University.

In 1958 he met his future wife, Patricia, and they married in 1960. Their elder son, James, subsequently came up to Pembroke himself to read History.

Graham went out to Tanganyika in 1959 to teach in a co-educational, multi-racial boarding school at Iringa where he began his career as a Biology teacher. Here he coached athletics and hockey, and combined coaching and playing rugby while enthusiastically continuing his hobbies of birdwatching and "bush bashing".

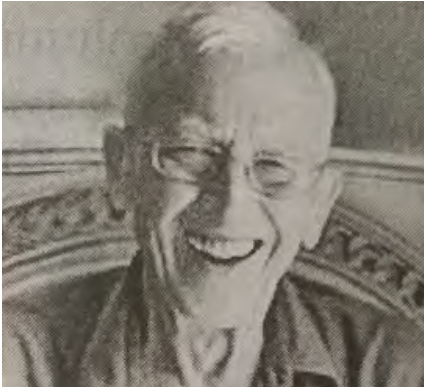
In 1963 he returned to the UK for a "temporary" appointment at King's College Taunton to teach Biology – this lasted until he retired in 1994. During this time he was Head of Biology, very much enjoyed a 15 year stint as a Housemaster, was Careers Master, took part in conservation orientated expeditions to Sierra Leone, Cephalonia, Zakynthos, the Scilly Isles. He continued with his sporting activities as a particularly successful hurdles coach and took a great deal of pleasure in seeing some of his pupils following him up to Pembroke.

Graham's retirement was spent in enthusiastically supporting Village and Church

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activities, and yet he persisted in believing that he had had a most undistinguished career. As one of the tributes at his funeral said: “themes emerge – humour, enthusiasm, warmth and crucially kindness. He was a quiet, quietly extraordinary man”.

Patricia Hall, wife



Professor Arthur George Rigg, 1955

17th February 1937 -

7th January 2019

George, as he was universally known, was the leading authority on post-Conquest Anglo-Latin literature as well as a renowned and meticulous scholar of Middle English. He was a beloved teacher and mentor to generations of students at Toronto's Centre for Medieval Studies, where he guided the Latin program for many years.

George Rigg was born in Wigan, Lancashire. He was educated at Notre Dame Convent and Wigan Grammar School, which was known for its strength in Classics. He read for his Oxford BA in English at Pembroke College, where his tutors included C. L. Wrenn. He wrote his Oxford DPhil under Norman Davis, which he later published as *A Glastonbury Miscellany of the Fifteenth Century: A Descriptive Index of Trinity College, Cambridge, MS.O.9.38* (1968).

George began his teaching career in 1961 as a lecturer in English Language at Merton College, Oxford, and continued teaching there and at Balliol through the completion of his DPhil in 1966. From 1966 to 1968, he was Visiting Assistant Professor of English at Stanford University. In 1968, he moved to Toronto to take up a position as Associate Professor at the newly founded Centre for Medieval Studies. He was promoted to full Professor in 1976 and remained at the Centre until his reluctant retirement in 2002 at the then-mandatory age of 65.

The DPhil study of Trinity O.9.38 set the pattern for many of George's lifelong scholarly interests: textual criticism; working in both Latin and Middle English; and studying

concrete problems of literary history in their manuscript context, with a particular interest in manuscript miscellanies and florilegia. His subsequent editions included the poems of *Walter of Wimborne* (1978); the *Z-Text of Piers Plowman* (with Charlotte Brewer, 1983); *Gawain on Marriage: The Textual Tradition of the "De coniuge non ducenda"* (1986); and *A Book of British Kings* (2000) for the *Toronto Medieval Latin Texts*, a series of single-manuscript editions in affordable paperback format, of which he was the founding editor.

George's lifelong study of Anglo-Latin literature culminated in 1992 in the publication of the magisterial *Anglo-Latin Literature: 1066–1422*. When he was elected Fellow of the Medieval Academy in 1997, the letter of nomination noted that one reviewer of this magnum opus “marveled ‘that it should be the work of one man.’” *Anglo-Latin Literature* provides not only a conspectus of authors and works for the period, with innumerable suggestions for avenues of future research, but in its appendix an indispensable reference manual on medieval Latin versification. He shared his unparalleled expertise on that subject in person and in many reference works as well as in his own landmark publication.

George's passionate advocacy for reading competence in medieval Latin as a central feature of serious advanced training in medieval studies led to the creation of the Committee for Medieval Latin Studies at the Centre for Medieval Studies, which he chaired from its inception until his retirement, and to the system of examinations that remains a hallmark of a Toronto training in the field. Toronto graduate Medieval Studies students through the decades experienced his tireless and exacting but endlessly patient encouragement in their pursuit of a notoriously rigorous standard in Latin. Colleagues and advanced students who taught in the Latin program and read the Latin exams continued to learn from George in the process of helping others over the hurdles: the Master's-level standard qualified a student to continue studying Latin, and the doctoral-level standard granted a “license to commit scholarship.” Even after his retirement, George was available to read Latin with any student who wanted to continue working with him, and he would often be found on Friday afternoons playing Latin Scrabble in the Centre's common room. Generations of Torontonians remember him as a ubiquitous presence at the Centre, eyes lighting with glee at the potential of a philological nugget that merited investigation as he rolled his next cigarette or called for another pot of tea.

Those who took his seminars in Middle English philology and Anglo-Latin literature benefited from his constant curiosity, as he was always ready to discover new paths to follow in seemingly familiar passages or intimidatingly abstruse points of language. PhD students found him a kind and generous mentor. Many were inspired by his example and encouragement to undertake verse translations of medieval Latin poetry.

George bicycled everywhere in Toronto, barring snow or ice, and in summers he and his wife Jennifer explored Ontario, Quebec, and the Maritime provinces, tracing the routes of the early European explorers of Canada. George was a passionate gardener and observer of natural phenomena: he published (in typescript pinned to the bulletin boards at the Centre for Medieval Studies and the library of the Pontifical Institute) an annual “Old Farmer George's Almanac” and waxed as excited about the tidal bore in the Bay of Fundy as about the one he identified in Joseph of Exeter's *Ylias*.

Though George was exceedingly resistant to public praise or attention of any kind, his students and colleagues succeeded in honouring him with two festschriften. Gernot Wieland and Siân Echard surprised him by slipping in a year before his sixty-fifth birthday (and retirement) with *Anglo-Latin and Its Heritage: Essays in Honour of A. G. Rigg on his 64th Birthday* (2001), a volume in the Publications of the *Journal of Medieval Latin* series focusing on later Anglo-Latin. In 2004, a second festschrift, edited by Richard Firth Green and Linne R. Mooney, *Interstices: Studies in Middle English and Anglo-Latin Texts in Honour of A. G. Rigg*, complemented the first festschrift by reflecting George's work on editorial problems and Middle English.

George's passing has left a void which few medieval Latinists can fill. The academy has lost not only a brilliant member; it has lost a wonderful man who was distinguished by scholarship but not defined by it.

From Carin Ruff, Greti Dinkova Bruun & David Townsend in *Speculum* 94/3 (July 2019), *Medieval Academy of America*



David Michael Seaforth Bright, 1957

20th October 1938 -

20th July 2018

David Michael Seaforth Bright was born in Melbourne, Australia. He was a man of prodigious energy, significant talent and with a great capacity for friendship. He was also totally unpredictable and without

the constraints of political correctness. His direction in life was set at an early age. He obtained his School Leaving Certificate at Geelong Grammar School, Corio, in 1955 in 11 subjects: then, and still now, a school record.

David's education continued at Pembroke College, Oxford, and the Harvard University Business School. Close friendships which developed at Oxford lasted all his life and included Zbigniew Pelczynski, his politics tutor, who also came to stay with him in Australia during his sabbatical in 1985 at the ANU. Fellow undergraduates with whom he maintained contact were Bill Colquhoun, Peter Grose, David Heath, Tony Hughes, David MacKilligan, and Pradip Sagal. Time spent on the Isis also featured in his memory with the Pembroke crew performing with distinction in 1958 and 1959. In 1960, he was President of the Australia Society.

He was first employed by the Indiana Standard Oil Company in New York and then Sydney, (1962-1970). On 13th December 1963, he married Andrina Elisabeth Stokes in Melbourne. David and Libby had known each other (photographically) since they were three, and five children and over fifty years later (divorce never, murder frequently), the family remained a powerful and loving unit.

David had a long and distinguished business career in Australia. He was appointed Managing Director of Commercial Continental Merchant Bank, (1970-1975); Deputy and Acting Chairman of the Australian Postal Commission, (1975-1980); Managing Director of Roche Maag Australasia, (1978-1981); Executive Chairman of SPG-Citra Constructions Ltd, (1983-1984); Pacific and South-East Asia representative of Montgomery Securities, (1984-1987); Director of Pacer Kerridge Corporation and Main Corporation, NZ, (1987-1988); CEO of Greening Australia, 1990.

In addition, he taught as a Senior Lecturer at the Graduate School of Business, University of NSW, Sydney, (1967-1973) and was the Hon. Secretary of the Art Gallery of NSW, Sydney, (1970-1973). From 1973 to 1993, David and Libby farmed sheep and cattle on 7,000 acres in the Monaro Region of New South Wales.

David died of heart failure in hospital on 20 July 2018 and his ashes are scattered at their property on the Pacific Coast at Tanja Lagoon, NSW. He is survived by his wife, Libby, and their five children.

Charles Bright, brother



Rt. Hon. Denzil Davies PC, 1959

9th October 1938 -

10th October 2018

Denzil Davies, who died the day after his 80th birthday, was a Pembroke law pupil of Robert Heuston. He got a first in Jurisprudence in 1962, which was reputed to be the best in his year, and went on in 1975 to become Minister of State at the Treasury in Harold Wilson's Labour government; in 1978 the youngest Privy Councillor; and in 1983 Shadow Minister of Defence under Neil Kinnock.

Denzil was born in the Carmarthenshire village of Conwyl Elfed and named David John Denzil, but was always known as Denzil. His father was a colliery blacksmith and trade unionist, blinded in a colliery accident. Denzil was raised as a native Welsh speaker. He was Head Boy at Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Carmarthen as a classicist, and did National Service in the Anti-Aircraft Royal Artillery before coming up to Pembroke in 1959.

Denzil was well-liked and respected by his contemporaries at Pembroke as affable, very hard-working and unpretentious. He had a fine tenor voice. His rendition of 'Bread of Heaven' at the Trout is still remembered. He joined Grays Inn to become a barrister and later won their top Francis Bacon Scholarship by examination. Denzil made no secret of his ambition to become a Labour Prime Minister. He was very good company amongst the Oxford students travelling to eat the mandatory three dinners each term at Grays Inn. This was then thought to be a necessary part of training to be a barrister by absorbing the ethos of the bar through the digestive tract: which also operated to make access to the bar more exclusive in favour of middle-class families. It was at Pembroke that Denzil came to realise the importance of taxation as a key lever for social change, and that the majority of cases heard in the House of Lords then were tax cases. This despite the fact that tax was not an Oxford undergraduate law subject at that time: while three of the 11 degree papers were in Roman law.

On graduating, Denzil went to teach law on the Fulbright exchange scheme at the University of Chicago Law School for a year where he met and married his first wife, Mary Finlay. They had two children. He then taught law at Leeds University for a year, followed by a spell with Schroders merchant bankers, and membership of a specialist tax chambers. Denzil soon became a highly accomplished tax barrister and for many years edited *Booth: Residence, Domicile and UK Taxation*.

The Labour MP Jim Griffiths spotted Denzil as a rising star and shoe-horned him into his safe seat of Llanelli to join the House of Commons in 1970, with a majority of 23,011, to remain their MP for 38 years. There is some irony that an early local political victory was to oppose the Ministry of Defence retaining Pembrey Sands former Royal Ordnance Factory site near Llanelli for an anti-aircraft artillery firing range, and to see it converted into a highly successful 500 acre Country Park with eight miles of sandy beaches and clean bathing.

As Minister of State at the Treasury from 1975 under Dennis Healey, Denzil was highly regarded by both politicians and the Treasury Civil Servants for his high intellect and command of tax and banking issues. In the House of Commons Denzil impressed with his eloquence and dry wit: the Welsh 'Hwyl' in his musical voice never losing his Welsh accent. His rise in politics was truly meteoric. In Andy McSmith's book, *Faces of Labour*, it was said of Denzil "that he had been one of the few Labour ministers who really understood the tax system." He had the responsibility for the bill leading to the Development Land Tax Act 1976 (now abolished), and the bill leading to the Banking Act 1979, introducing the start of stronger supervision of banking.

When Labour lost power in 1979, Denzil stood unsuccessfully for Deputy Leader of Labour. He then became Shadow Defence Secretary under Neil Kinnock while Unilateral Disarmament was still Labour policy. Denzil loyally supported the party line despite his own contrary views. The two Welshmen were not close. Denzil's meteor crashed in June 1988 when Neil Kinnock abandoned Unilateral Disarmament on TV without warning. Denzil phoned the Press Association to announce his resignation in the middle of the night to surprise his colleagues and attempt to forestall the predictable attempts to trash his reputation. He said "I am fed up with being humiliated by Mr Kinnock. He never consults me on anything." This was also the time of Denzil's divorce. Thereafter Denzil kept a low profile in Parliament, other than by standing as leader of the Labour party when Tony Blair was elected. He opposed UK membership of the EU and the Euro, and also opposed devolution for Wales.

In his later years in Parliament, Denzil became head of a set of chambers in Raymond Buildings in Grays Inn. He spent much time in the House of Commons library researching and writing his book, *The Gallilean and*

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the Goose, using his classical education to document how Christianity emerged from early obscurity to become the faith of the Roman Emperors. The first part of the book is compelling reading, but concentration is required to follow the story through the detail of the myriad short-reigning later emperors.

In 1989 Denzil remarried to Ann Carlton, a Labour Party ministerial assistant. Theirs was a very happy marriage, and Ann survives him, along with the children of his first marriage, Jane and Steven.

When Denzil died there were half page obituaries in *The Times*, *The Guardian* and *The Daily Telegraph*. Paradoxically, for a Labour man the most detailed and complimentary obituary was that in *The Daily Telegraph*.

Peter Latham, friend



Nigel Terence James, 1963

16th December 1940 -

17th April 2019

In the 'good old days', preclinical undergraduates were able to take Schools Physiology in their third year followed by a two term course in pharmacology, pathology and bacteriology, before entering a clinical course, which usually meant a London Medical School. A few of us opted to do the two term course first, which gave us four terms for Schools. Even fewer, just three of us, then stayed in Oxford for clinical studies, and were joined by three from Cambridge, one from London, one from Leeds and one from Germany. One of those from Cambridge was tall, elegant, usually very well-dressed with a bow-tie, and able to beat all of us at croquet on the Osler House lawn – now Green Templeton College. Nigel became a member of Pembroke College when he

matriculated on his move from Cambridge. As I was also a Pembrokian, I got to know him well and had the pleasure of meeting up with him over subsequent years at Alumnus events.

Nigel Terence James was born in Port Talbot to Idris and Elizabeth. Idris, a sanitary inspector, was Welsh-speaking and very much Chapel, whereas Elizabeth was an Anglophile. Nigel was brought up English-speaking, much to his regret in later life, but remained staunchly Welsh, especially when teased in the bar! Following school in Newport he entered Queens' College Cambridge to read Natural Sciences. He joined the Oxford Clinical School in September 1963 and qualified in 1966. However, his real interest lay in pre-clinical sciences, especially anatomy, and so he did not apply for house jobs, but was appointed lecturer in anatomy in Sheffield in the department of Professor Robert Barer. His major interests centred around the histology and biochemistry of muscle fibres, but he developed a strong interest in statistics and obtained an MSc in statistics from Sheffield in 1988. This allowed him to extend his contribution to stereological measurements of histological specimens. As a result of his publications, and his popularity as a lecturer and teacher, he was appointed senior lecturer in the University of Sheffield, a post he held until rheumatoid arthritis enforced early retirement in 1997.

Nigel had many interests outside medical sciences. He was a keen historian, especially in Egyptology, and learnt Arabic. He became a guide in Sheffield Cathedral in 2010, where his knowledge of history of the Church must have been invaluable. He also had strong interests in politics, and stood as a UKIP candidate. Sadly, his retirement was dogged by ill health not just the arthritis but a renal cancer and a pulmonary embolus. He felt his rheumatoid arthritis was greatly benefitted while on visits to Egypt, and it was on a visit to Luxor in April 2019 that he suffered a heart attack which proved fatal. We have all lost a good friend, a great raconteur, and an able scientist. He is survived by Virge, who he met in the Oxford Clinical School in 1964 and subsequently married in 1968. She provided enormous support to Nigel throughout his career, and especially over the latter years of ill-health.

Derek Jewell, friend



Reverend Stephen Coffin, 1971

15th April 1952 -

29th March 2019

Coming as an Exhibitioner to Pembroke was the beginning of a stimulating formation for my late husband. Interruptions whilst preparing for tutorials in Modern Languages could be either welcome, like discussions with new friends made across subject disciplines, or unwelcome, like the clanging of St. Aldates' bells on Monday evening practice nights directly outside his window in New Quad (now known as North Quad). His eclectic taste in music, gained from running the school record library at Dulwich College (where he'd attended on a local authority scholarship), grew and deepened as he spent time with the Music Scholar at Pembroke...as did his record collection. Debussy became his favourite composer. An avid reader, he enjoyed C.S. Lewis, Tolkien and fantasy authors. Our friendship from our shared childhood in Orpington similarly grew as he introduced me to punting on the Cherwell. We married in 1974, his degree being successfully accomplished.

Idyllic days became rooted in reality when a clergyman visiting Pembroke challenged Stephen as to his future. A Civil Service career like his father was not to be after his meaningful Christian faith and gifting was ratified by selection board; there followed three years ordination training at Trinity Theological College, Bristol, and 35 years as a Vicar. After curacies in Cornwall (Illogan and Liskeard), 1983 saw us with our two young daughters embarking on missionary work in Gitega, Burundi, with Rwanda Mission. Stephen's fluent French, honed at Pembroke, was in demand for teaching Protestant teenagers in schools, and his linguistic ability gradually enabled him to undertake pastoral work using the local language (Kirundi). Always an interactive father to Anna and

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Jenny, he fostered a happy family life and was rightly proud of them, including their own eventual academic success at Oxford colleges.

Leaving a politically tense Burundi in 1985, Stephen found temporary secular employment before returning to 'the cloth' in the ancient priory church and former cathedral of Cornwall at St. Germans. Here, as throughout his life, he fostered good relationships and gave much time and support to local communities, including school Governor training. A gifted bible teacher and great encourager, he also recognised the abilities of a local lady and inspired and supported her towards ordination in the church.

France has always drawn Stephen: its people, language and culture, especially Impressionist art. In 2000 he accepted the Anglican chaplaincy of Grenoble, which proved a challenging, stimulating venture for his final 12 years of paid employment amongst the myriad nationalities of its university, science research facilities, international companies, and asylum seekers. He was appreciated both for his language skills and his gentle wisdom. Retiring to a converted barn in Savoie that had honed Stephen's DIY skills on days off, he enjoyed hiking, cultivated a flourishing garden and set about constructing a narrow gauge (009) model railway. He visited a railway enthusiast friend from Pembroke days and the Harz mountain railway, before falling terminally ill with colon cancer. He died peacefully at home aged 66; the village bells at 12 noon on 29th March 2019 chimed the welcome sound of him being received into the place of the faithful departed.

Marian Coffin, wife



John "Jay" Ramsay Brown, 1977

20th April 1958 -

30th December 2018

One of the first things that Jay (born John Ramsay Brown in 1958, but called Jay for most of his life) told me when we first met some 20 years ago was that his grandfather had been a missionary in India whose table

was open to people of all faiths and none. This wonderful man was a huge influence on Jay in both his personal spiritual life and in his public persona as a poet. For Jay, the world was a place of wonder and glory which we were despoiling as if it mattered not to anyone. It was a world full of fascinating faiths, beliefs, values, lifestyles and people. Inspired by his great hero, Shelley, he knew that poets "are the unacknowledged legislators of the world", and he saw poetry as the voice that could speak on behalf of a far greater vision and hope than anything else. He set out to make this happen. And happen it did.

He rejected the cosy world of poetry that he encountered both before and during his time at Oxford, and instead was drawn to the wilder edges of the world of literature that Oxford also introduced him to. In the early 1980s he was part of a dynamic group called "Angels of Fire", which brought to public attention not just him but other emerging radical poets.

Over the next 30 years or so he poured forth a vast range of poetry and prose exploring issues as diverse as alchemy, ecology, the World Bank, politics, landscape, personal relationships, psychology, spirituality, Jesus, Daoism and Buddhism, and his final work published just before his death was a poetic version of the key books and stories of the Bible – which he appropriately called *The Dangerous Book*.

Jay lived the life of the itinerant poet, and supplemented his income through his work as a psychosynthesis therapist and healer. Through his gifts, not least as a poet and deeply spiritual person, he helped many find pathways through troubled lives.

Jay was always at his best when working with a group or with specific themes often linked to specific commissions. He founded Chrysalis, a correspondence course which brought together poetry and personal development. He was part of the Stroud-based Phoenix group of poets and performers, and he loved nothing more than working with musicians and dancers – if possible in live performances as well as in recordings.

He was Poet in Residence at St. James's, London where his poetry was exhibited in billboards on Piccadilly, and where he communed with his great inspiration, William Blake, who was baptised there. He was Poet in Residence at many events hosted by the Alliance of Religions and Conservation (ARC), ranging from the inaugural meeting at Windsor Castle in 1995, to presenting his poems to HRH The Duke of Edinburgh at an event at Lambeth Palace in 2015. He famously wrote a poem which helped the World Bank President in the 1990s, Jim Wolfensohn, open up the World Bank to working with the major religions of the world to make the world a better place, and Jay was also involved with many projects with WWF around the world.

A very popular teacher, he was a regular contributor to the programme of events at Hawkwood College in the Cotswolds, and taught at many other places including Ireland, Portugal, Malta and the USA. He reviewed poetry for a wide range of magazines such as *Caduceus* and *Kindred Spirit*, and his poems have been read on Radio 4 as well as included in many anthologies.

Ever generous with his time he edited many anthologies such as *Transformation: the poetry of spiritual consciousness*; *Earth Ascending* and *Soul of the Earth*.

With Martin Palmer he entered deep into the world of China and especially Daoism, and worked with him on translations of classical Chinese texts such as the *Tao de Ching* (*Dao De Jing*); *Kuan Yin*; *I Ching* and the poetry of major Tang dynasty poets found in the great classic novel *The Romance of the Three Kingdoms*.

He was so delighted to have been invited back to his old College in February of 2018 where he and his long term colleague in poetry and song, Gabriel Bradford Millar, performed, and then went off with most of the audience to the pub!

After a long struggle with cancer, Jay married his fiancée Angela Warren two days before he died.

His sense of calling and spirituality is perhaps best summed up in the final lines of his last work *The Dangerous Book*:

"Rest and Being blessed to meditate to be inside all that is being made in the company of angels the living and the dead where we are the vessels and You forever the wine the Passion Alive that calls us friends."

Martin Palmer, friend



John Benjamin Hughes, 1993

8th August 1975 -

8th December 2018

John Benjamin Hughes (known as Ben), who was tragically killed in a road accident, came up to Pembroke from Bury to read PPE in October 1993.

Being slightly gauche and expecting Brideshead to be revisited whilst holding deeply unfashionable political views might be deemed by some to have been disadvantages for anyone at the outset of a university career. However, such superficial impressions belied a first class brain together with a rare wit and charm, which meant that he quickly made a group of firm friends within the College whom he was unable to shake off for the next 25 years.

Ben's academic interests lay in politics and political philosophy. Few who shared Ben's tutorials will forget his theatrical flourishes of written and oral advocacy – laced with references to the various political biographies he had absorbed. It soon became clear that Ben had the ability to intrigue not only his contemporaries but also those who taught him, including one (nameless) philosophy lecturer who was found collapsed in Ben's room after a particularly involved tutorial which had ended in the College Bar.

Ben always relished an argument. A winning point was often marked with a high-pitched snort and a gentle poke of his opponent's ribs. Debates started in a tutorial would continue into Hall, then perhaps move into a nearby pub and on into the night in someone's room in College – interlaced with gossip, smoking, drinking, and singing along to his eclectic musical requests.

Ben's dislike of economics and admitted innumeracy came to a head at the end of the first year during a 'revision tutorial' with the inimitable Professor Ken Mayhew. During such tutorials, Ken would make sure that each of his economics protégées had their fair share of explaining a microeconomic concept in front of their entire year group.

Upon taking his turn, it soon became clear that Ben had neither attended the relevant underlying lecture nor had even a passing acquaintance with the topic under discussion. The effect on Ben was salutary and provided an astonishing insight into his self-discipline – within weeks he had salvaged the situation and was awarded a first in all three disciplines in his Prelims. Instead of congratulating Ben on the award of a well-deserved scholarship, his supposed friends proceeded to send him a bogus invitation to a celebratory dinner with the Master, which specified that the dress code was to be sub fusc. Upon arriving at the Master's Lodge in his newly acquired scholar's gown, Ben was bemused to be met by a non-plussed babysitter, who informed him that the Master was elsewhere and was most certainly not expecting him. Smelling a rat, Ben fled the scene, hotly pursued by those who had sent the fraudulent missive and who had been keeping watch nearby. Ben was not amused but eventually forgave those responsible.

Those who shared living space with Ben in a semi-derelict property in Buckingham Street will recall a rather eccentric approach to life's basics. Ben's diet largely became the responsibility of the 'Real McCoy's' kebab van parked in Pembroke Square. His laundry would end up in a heap on the floor. Once the older clothes reached the bottom of the pile they would be worn again if they passed the 'sniff test' – a second opinion was often sought from his housemates or unsuspecting visitors. During this time, Ben's drawers began to teem with half-finished poetry and novels. He also acquired an expensive CD habit – Oasis and Supergrass being the more well-known beneficiaries of his allowance.

Drama was another of Ben's passions. Before coming up to Pembroke, he had spent time at the National Youth Theatre. Few will forget the unflattering wig which Ben was required to wear as Leonardo da Vinci in the inaugural performance of Francis I by Professor Francis Warner.

Ben once memorably declared himself to be 'sports mad'. However, on the field the most notable impression Ben left was of the remarkably inadequate covering of his legs by his skimpy nylon shorts. A regular for his GAB five-a-side team, it was, however, tennis at which he was most proficient. Off the sports field, Ben maintained a passionate observation of England's rugby and cricket teams.

Ben liked to tell his friends that he 'narrowly missed' a first in his Finals. This was probably true as he was certainly capable of achieving the same, but it appeared that his wider interests had perhaps unfocussed him in his final year.

After Finals, Ben auditioned for drama school but ended up spending a year working for Conservative Central Office. Apparently it was his task 'to monitor the Liberal Democrats'. Unfortunately, he was never certain as to his exact role, and it is perhaps

instructive that the Liberal Democrats went on to achieve one of their best results against the Conservatives in the ensuing 1997 election. Ben moved on to law school and was called to the Bar in 1999.

It was whilst at Bar School that he met his future wife, Monali. The two were introduced after Ben had slumped next to her in a lecture hall and enquired as to the speaker's topic. Upon being informed by Monali, Ben sprang up shouting: 'You're kidding me!' before rushing off to find the correct venue. Nonetheless, the first impressions clearly were favourable. The two became 'an item' and were married in 2003 in Pembroke Chapel on the day England won the Rugby World Cup. He never forgot his wedding anniversary.

Having completed his pupillage in a barrister's chambers, he decided to pursue a career in legal training, and he joined BPP Law School where he taught tort and contract on the law conversion course (known as the 'GDL'). Ben became known for his witty and engaging lectures and tutorials. He became responsible for seeing hundreds of students launched into successful legal careers, and he would have been so proud to know that one of first students has recently been awarded Silk.

After becoming the Course Director of GDL at BPP, Ben decided to move on and he joined the Pearson group in 2011. One of his principal tasks at Pearson was to help design and implement a two year legal degree course, which has been well received by students and employers alike.

Ben was a dedicated family man and he and Monali became the proud parents of three young children (two girls and a boy). It is to be hoped that they can draw strength from the fact that at every stage of his university and working life Ben was regarded by his colleagues with great affection, loyalty and respect. His easy-going nature and communication skills were (more recently) lubricated by his liberal use of WhatsApp. Those of whom he approved were honoured with the titles 'great man' and 'dude'. Ben's take on everything from Ashes to musicals to Brexit was often encapsulated pithily and always amusingly by a text to his friends sent at some unearthly hour. Because of the entertainment value of his missives, the recipient never minded the interruption.

Unsurprisingly, Ben's pool of friendships was wide and deep – as was evident at his funeral. Indeed, there was not enough room in the chapel for all those who made the journey to Colchester to pay their last respects. At the ensuing wake there was a sense of gratitude that not only had we been able to know Ben, but that he will also remain a common thread in so many existing and future friendships.

George Davies, friend

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Glen Mehn, 2007

2nd September 1972 -

15th May 2019

Glen Mehn moved from San Francisco to Oxford in 2007 to complete an MBA at the Saïd Business School. Fully immersing himself in life at Oxford University, he made friends from all four corners of the world, and went rowing on the Thames in the mornings, while progressing academically and professionally.

Born in New Orleans in 1972, Glen held a BA in English, Sociology and Design from the University of New Orleans. After time spent acting on stage and designing theatre sets, developing a lifelong love for cooking in restaurant kitchens, and exploring several more industries, he moved to San Francisco. There, he began building IT systems for Silicon Valley startups, while also helping out with the running of the Burning Man festival.

Following the MBA, Glen worked with a range of social startups in Uganda and Zambia, later returning to the UK to get stuck into the startup world in London. From 2010-2016, Glen was a founder at Bethnal Green Ventures - Europe's first accelerator programme supporting ventures using technology to solve social and environmental problems - where he advised a broad range of Tech for Good organisations. During this period, he also led BGV's work with international organisations, delivering programmes in 25 countries across four continents.

In 2016, Glen brought his broad experience, creativity, and global approach to Nesta, where he took up the role of Head of Development Innovation. In this position, he helped organisations around the world at the sharp end of social problems to approach those challenges in an innovative fashion. Glen also served on a range of boards, including as a school

governor for St. John's Angell Town primary school in Brixton, where he lived. He sat on steering committees and advisory boards for a range of for-profit and non-profit organisations, including UNDP, DFID, Nike Foundation and Oxfam.

Ever curious and a man of action, Glen read and travelled widely, loved a woodwork project around the home as well as experimenting in the kitchen. He was generous with his time, and always happy to share his unique perspective gained from a life lived fully that straddled numerous worlds and industries. As a firm believer in equal opportunities for all, Glen strove to help others gain access to opportunities as he progressed in his career. In his free time, he ran The Kitschies, a book prize awarded for progressive, intelligent, and entertaining speculative fiction. He also had a number of short stories and a novella published.

In November 2018, Glen was sadly diagnosed with a very rare and difficult to treat form of cancer. A huge fan of the NHS, he was extremely grateful to everyone from catering staff to consultants, who provided him with world-class care throughout his illness. Glen passed away peacefully at home in May 2019, while being cared for by his wife Clare. His big heart, inquisitive nature and 'why not?' attitude are hugely missed by Clare, Glen's family in the US and his vast network of friends and contacts in the UK and around the world.

Clare Mehn, wife

Deaths Notified

Dr Edwin Field	1942
Francis Read	1945
Thomas Barden	1945
Nei Hsiung	1945
Tony Price	1945
Ken Plant	1945
John Bowen	1948
Brian Wilson	1948
Edwyn Barnes	1949
Professor James Hill	1949
Jim Bratton	1952
The Revd Antony Rees	1952
Michael Bamforth	1953
Professor Simon Coke	1953
Graham Hall	1954
Luis De Azcarate	1954
Peter Letts	1954
Senator Richard Lugar	1954
Bishop Edwin Barnes	1955
Professor Arthur Rigg	1955
Geoff Crookes	1956
Geoffrey Taylor	1956
The Revd Peter Jeffery	1957
Colin Barker	1959
The Rt Hon Denzil Davies	1959
Professor Rida Hawari	1960
Nicholas Shoumatoff	1962
Dr Nigel James	1963
John Hall	1964
Stuart McLaren	1965
Shiv Saigal	1965
David E Faris	1966
Michael Bettaney	1969
David Bryant	1969
Professor David Coates	1970
The Revd Stephen Coffin	1971
Kenneth Cordner	1976
Ajai Theophilus	1977
Jay Ramsay	1977
Dr Martin Papez	1983
John Dunn	1983
Nick Morton	1990
David Rubenstein	1992
Ben Hughes	1993
Daniel Emmerson	2001
Sara T'Rula	2003
Glen Mehn	2007
Rebekah Nahai	2010
Kathy Eason	2013
Dr Kenji Tanaka	Honorary
Professor Robert Thomson	Supernumerary

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Signing a new Junior Research Fellowship agreement with Smithsonian UK; Visitors from the Chinese University of Hong Kong; Access Week 2019; Dr Peter Claus and Dr Rebekah White at the Student Union Teaching Awards; The Annual Garden Party; Rovers at Torpids 2019; JCR Welfare Tea; Summer Eights at the Boat House; Professor Irene Tracey at her leaving dinner; North West Essay Prize Winners; Alumni in Tokyo with the Strategic Development Director; Student Volunteers at Open Day; Pembroke Ball; One of the McGowin Library's oldest manuscripts; Flying the Pride flag; the Annual Garden Party; Technos Awards - award-winner Humphrey Patton receives his prize

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JCR Committee; Silver Assay; a Japanese Studies Taster Day; the Sir Roger Bannister Scholarship; Access Week; 'Primary Observations' exhibition; Dr Roberto Salguero-Gómez presents at a conference; Fulbright Dinner; Pembroke Rugby Team; an MCR trip; Gaudy; the Annual Distinguished Fulbright Lecture's speaker, Rt Hon David Miliband; Professor Zbigniew Pelczynski OBE receiving his Honorary Fellowship from Blind Veterans UK; Marlon James speaks at the annual Tolkien Lecture on Fantasy Literature; Leavers' Dinner; Event in the JCR; the NERC conference, hosted at Pembroke; the Annual Garden Party; Gaudy; Leavers' Dinner