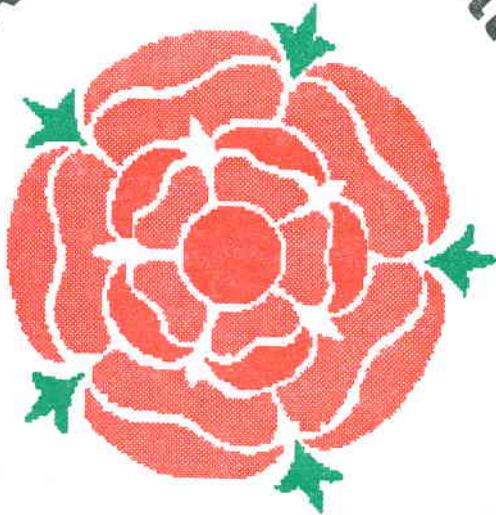


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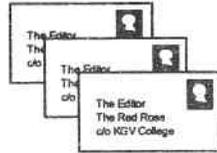
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The Editor's Welcome



Hello again.....

This was going to be a short intro to this years issue, but it seems to have grown and grown. Many thanks to all involved for their efforts, they know who they are - please keep up the good work.

The '95 issue is a little different and I am trying to make it more pro-active for yourselves - hence items such as the '1995 Challenge'. It has been interesting that a large proportion of the correspondence this year has revolved around the "I didn't receive my Newsletter this year" statement. Sheila Curran has had a difficult job in keeping up with you all - especially those who were told they MUST return their '93 slips, but didn't !!! Hint, hint. We can only send it if you keep us informed of your address ! Please be aware, the exercise to manage the mail list will happen again in a couple of years so please make sure that you return your information slips when it does. My thanks to Baggers who has designed this years cover !

SUPPORT !

Surgical ?, structural ?, moral ?..... well all three really - where were those swelling crowds backing our lads against the College cricket team last year ? Thanks have been extended to those who made the effort and had an enjoyable afternoon - but what about the crowds, the mexican waves. Please, if you can, come along to this years match. Its a great experience and a good get together.

And ladies - what about you ? This year you were your own worst enemy. There it was, last years Chairmans invitation to take up a more prominent role in both the management and social side of the Association, and what happened ? Yes, I'm still looking for an answer.....

Snooker and cricket may not be up your street, but why not ? Suggest some things that are, let's get some commitment to the hockey match this year and hammer the College team into the back of their net!

Come on folks, especially those who say 'what would I get out of it ?'. Now that you have joined help make the Association work for you. You can be as involved as you want, but let's do more than meet on Maundy Thursday. You made the effort to join so lets put that effort to good use !!!!! So much for the short intro !

Just a quick note to follow on from last year. **Martin Fearn** (Spencers, '73 to '79) has gratefully accepted the nomination of the O.G.A. Committee for the position of Chairman, 1995 to 1996. The voting for this position, along with the President, Secretary etc, will take place at the A.G.M. immediately preceding the dinner on April 13th. Any other nominations are welcome.

See you on the cricket square.....

Ed.

The President's Letter



"Dear Georgians

Is it really only one year since I last wrote to you ? We have achieved much in that time. I am pleased to report to you that the College goes from strength to strength and continues to maintain the proud tradition of quality education at King George V on a local and national basis.

'King George V College has a well deserved reputation for academic excellence. Students receive strong support and guidance, teaching is well organised and effective.'

These points were made by Inspectors in their report published nationally in 1994. In August, our exam results at A level, 92% pass rate and Advanced GNVQ 100% pass rate, provided further evidence of outstanding achievement. The national College League Tables for A levels kept us in the top five for the second year running.

In September, we welcomed more students to the College than ever before, reaching a total of 870 and I was still unable to satisfy demand. We had to turn away 50 well qualified young people.

With full Governor support, this year I pushed ahead with ambitious plans for a prestigious new development at the front of the College providing a new state of the art learning resource centre/library and several new teaching spaces in the new development and refurbishment of the existing library space.

We now have full planning permission, but the College cannot provide all the necessary finance which will be in excess of £1.5 million. We are working hard to gain financial support from the Funding Council and we have ascertained the amount we can borrow from the banks and the interest payable. The Council are helpful, but they are too uncertain about funds.

I must be optimistic. We need and deserve this important new facility. I will do all in my power to bring it about. Any support from former members of the school and college would be greatly appreciated. Already one of your number has presented the College with a cheque to commemorate the fact that it is 50 years since he first set foot in King George V School. I am grateful. The money will be used to help future generations in equipping the new centre and will be publicly acknowledged with a plaque.

One of my happiest memories since I last wrote to you was receiving Nancy Dixon's oil painting of King George V School and rehanging it with pride in the College. I hope, next year, to be able to describe one of my happiest moments as the completion of the new building. I look forward to being able to write and invite you to the Opening. This is the next challenge.

As you know, in the spirit of the school from which we have grown, I am not one to flinch from a challenge.

With warm regards,

Hilary Anslow

The Chairman's Letter

Dear Georgians

After decades of relative inactivity in KGV affairs mainly occasioned by the fact that I have been so busy, I recently found myself both a Governor of the College and Chairman of the Old Georgians Association.

Being Chairman of the "Old Georgians" has been both a delight and a privilege meeting again people from long, long ago and bringing back so many memories. It also enabled me to discover how much work is done by your Committee, especially by your Honorary Secretary, John Pilling, Honorary Treasurer, Allen Chandler, and that most enthusiastic organiser of most things - Stan Rimmer - my grateful thanks to them all. Jonathan Elliott organised the Cricket Match against the school and Stan Rimmer organised a most successful snooker evening. Thank you and thank you again.

The highlight of the year as far as I was concerned was the Chairman's Weekend at the Hare and Hounds at Bowland Bridge. Paul Bagshaw has reported on this at length in his own inimitable style; you will quickly realise that this was a most up-market and posh occasion.

One of the most pleasant duties I had to perform was to present to Keith Matthews on behalf of the Old Georgians a cheque to buy microphones, just one item from a long list of badly needed equipment for the Music Department. Having attended several of the Musical Evenings at College, I never cease to be amazed at the exceptionally high quality of the musical renderings and the very wide spectrum that is covered.

When the College acquired Corporate status and became part of the Further Education Sector in April 1993 I was appointed a Governor, and what a shock to the system that proved to be. Having been brought up in the era of doing calculations on the back of a fag packet if you couldn't do them in your head, I was thrust towards the 21st Century at a terrific rate of knots. I must pay tribute to the Chairmen of the various Committees that I have sat on, but especially to Hilary Anslow and her key staff - the skills that they have shown in dealing with the welter of bureaucratic legislation have left me completely spellbound. I extend to them all my congratulations and best wishes for the future, for, having reached the age of 70 this weekend, my Governorship has come to an end.

By the time you receive next year's newsletter we expect the new Library/Learning Resource Centre will be nearing completion. This will be a major event in the history of the College and will be a splendid way to celebrate the seventieth anniversary of KGV's move to the Scarisbrick New Road site. I am sure that we will want to mark this event by helping to equip the new building with the best possible resources. The Committee has already started to consider how this can best be done and I am sure that you will be hearing more from my successor in due course. 1996 will certainly be a year in which you will be invited back to KGV, but in the meantime I look forward to seeing you at the annual dinner on Maundy Thursday.



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Chairmen of the Old Georgians' Association

47-48 G.K.Bridge	72-73 S.B.Rimmer
48-49 D.F.Sutton	73-74 A.J.Chandler
49-50 P.Slater	74-75 J.R.N.Petty
51-52 T.E.Booth	75-76 S.B.Fletcher
52-53 G.P.Wakefield	76-77 J.N.Rostron
53-54 L.Duckworth	77-78 C.W.Jerram
54-55 J.W.Lord	78-79 E.G.Cowen
55-56 J.Edwards	79-80 T.H. Dutton
56-57 S.C.Wilford	80-81 G.Livesley
57-58 K.Rostron	81-82 M.M.Lockyer
58-59 J.R.Edwards	82-83 R.Fletcher
59-60 R.A.Lloyd	83-84 J.C.West
60-61 H.E.Nettleton	84-85 J.J.Marriner
61-62 G.Barnes	85-86 G.T.Seed
62-63 G.Walton	86-87 M.J.Waring
63-65 H.H.Long	87-88 R.A.Barnet
65-66 M.B.Enright	88-89 B.M.Rimmer
66-67 H.Evans	89-90 J.R.Pilling
67-68 A.V.F.Langfeld	90-91 P.D.Bagshaw
68-69 J.A.Fairclough	91-92 R.C.Fearn
69-70 H.J.M.Royden	92-93 E.A.Ogden
70-71 D.Brown	93-94 J.R. Elliott
71-72 R.Abram	94-95 R.O. Jeffs

College News

Teaching Staff 1994-1995

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

Mrs H.M. Anslow	Mr D.N. Evans	Mrs C. Murphy
Mrs A. Addicott	Mr J.A. Fairburn	Mrs S. Oakes
Ms R. Allen	Ms R. Hehir	Mr J.E. Owens
Mr. M.E. Amer	Mrs M. Hilton	Dr J.M. Parry
Mr P. Atherton	Mrs M. Jay	Mrs M.A. Parry
Dr B. Barnes	Mr R.L. Jones	Mr D.F. Pearson
Sarah Bennett	Ms C. Kaye	Mrs J.P. Pountney
Mrs D.J. Burns	Mr P.H.F. Knapton	Mrs S. Prest
Mrs J. Cairns	Mr F.E. Large	Ms S. Quinlan
Mrs V.R. Chadwick	Mr R. Liddle	Mr J.C. Richards
Mr R. Clark	Mrs J. Lloyd	Mr P.J. Richardson
Mrs C. Clarke	Mr A.P. Lynas	Mrs J.A. Ronald
Mr A. Clowes	Mrs D.C. Mackley	Mrs M. Sanderson
Mr C.J. Collier	Mrs M. McConkey	Mr C.D. Sharp
Mrs P. Collier	Ms F. McDonald	Mrs A.F. Small
Mr P.J. Comfort	Mr K.H. Matthews	Mrs A.M. Wadsworth
Mr J.P.N. Cotterall	Mr B. Mawer	Mr P.D. Walker
Dr C. Duncombe-Moore	Mr D. Miley	Mrs P. Wilde
Mrs M. Eaton	Mr R. Mitchell	Mr S.D. Williams
Mr P.B. Ellis	Mrs M.P. Morgan	Mr J.R. Wohlers

Ms Harris left the English Department to take up a new position in Lancaster.

Building Development

During the Summer months of 1994, several projects were completed. These included the completion of a Portakabin Complex, a recording studio, a media studies room, a new Vice-Principal's office and roof replacement for the central and western blocks. New lighting and windows have also been installed in the sports hall, which, together with a new carpet, make it an excellent examination facility.

Progress has also been made regarding the plans for a new library/resource centre to be built at the front of the College.

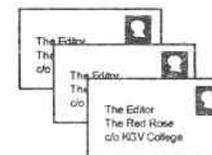
O.G.A. College Project

The O.G.A. Committee allocates a certain amount of money each year towards a recognised project that will benefit both the College and the students. Previous donations have gone to projects such as binding back issues of the School Red Rose magazine and the photo-portraits of past School and College Principals/Head-Masters.

In 93-94, the O.G.A. donated money to supply lighting for the new display cabinet in the foyer of the College. This area had been re-developed and the cabinet supplied, but no internal lighting was fitted. The cabinet is now illuminated with internal spot lights and enhances the foyer area of the College.

For 94-95, the O.G.A. presented a cheque to the Music Department which was put towards buying two microphone stands and an electronic interface to the departments PC.

News of Old Georgians'



Alexander, Michael (Rogers, 60-66)

Michael has only recently joined the association and therefore has some history to pass on. He studied Chemical Engineering at U.M.I.S.T. where he attained a 1st Class Honours degree, continuing to an Msc in Control Engineering. He worked for B.P. until 1991 and is now the Managing Director for British Gas.

Ball, Joanne (86-88)

Joanne graduated from Keele with an Honours degree in Geography, German and French. She is now a geography teacher at Chasetown High School, Staffordshire.

Barber, Fiona (E3, 83-85)

Since graduating from London University with a 2(I) in Geology, Fiona has worked for Neste, the Finnish state owned oil company. She now works for Hunt United an American oil company.

Bilton, Paul (Edwards, 61-65)

Paul left KGV when his parents moved to Poole in Dorset. He worked for ten years in advertising and publishing in London. In 1979 he formed his own company manufacturing plastic products. He now lives in Zurich with his Swiss wife. He teaches part-time and writes. His first book published this year - "The Perpetual Tourist - In Search of a Swiss Role".

Bolland, Steve (E, 89-91)

Steve started work as a town planner in July 1994.

Bricknall, Tiffany (P3, 90-92)

Tiffany is currently studying Engineering, Manufacture and Management at U.M.I.S.T.

Cartwright, Jane (H2, 89-92)

Jane is hoping to join the Police Force when she completes this, her final, year at Staffordshire University where she is studying Law.

Chesters, Sara (E1, 79-81)

Sara is now living and working in California. She is married to a golf pro and now has a baby daughter.

Doering, Jonathan (91-93)

Jonathan has been accepted onto the Erasmus scheme run at UEA and will spend his second year at Trinity College, Dublin studying English and American Literature.

Edgeller, Steve (P2/M4, 84-89)

Steve, a different one but also a Town Planner, has just spent a year touring Australia on a motor bike.

Everett, David (Masons, 64-72)

David is married with three sons and lives at Rhos-on-Sea. He is a sales quality manager with the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Group.

Finch, Tessa (79-81)

Tessa is married and is the Editor for BBC's Good Morning programme.

Halsall, Michael (Grears, 66-74)

Michael retired from KGV as the school Captain and then obtained an Honours Degree in Accounting. HE is now Financial Director of Benedetti Holdings PLC. He is married with one daughter.

Holroyd, Michael (P6, 84-85)

After 12 months with the BSM, Michael now operates his own driving school in Southport.

Hywel-Jones, Nigel.L (Masons, 70-77)

Nigel is working in Bangkok for the National Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology. He has been in this field since 1988 following his BSc and PhD in Insect Pathology. He is married, to Margaret, and has a daughter, Rebecca. He hopes to return to the UK soon after his three and a half year stint overseas.

Kenyon, Peter (Edwards, 46-50)

Peiter is a regular golfer and cricketer and coaches a local cricket team in Salop.

Lapsley, Catherine (H5, 79-82)

Catherine has now moved back to Southport and is working as a Dental Surgeon in the Birkdale area.

Lewis, Belinda (A2, 86-88)

Belinda now works as a Community Nurse in Hendon after graduating from Manchester University in 1992 with a degree in Nursing.

Lonsdale, David (73-80) & Mrs. Diane (nee.Bond, 79-81)

Diane and David are now parents - to Annie, born in Summer 1994.

McLean, Philip A. (Spencers, 49-56)

Philip took up the post of H.M. Ambassador in Havana, Chile in November 1994. He was also in the Queens Birthday Honours list of 1994 and was awarded the CMG.

Merone, Paul (Spencers, 73-79)

Paul is now the proud father of a baby boy, Connor, born in November 1994.

Murgatroyd, Captain Alan (Evans, 45-51)

Alan lives in New Zealand and has recently retired from full time aviation after forty years with the R.A.F., B.O.A.C., British Airways and Singapore Airlines where he was last employed as an instructor on Boeing 747s.

Roberts, Nicola (79-81)

Nicola has moved on from Paris with Memorex Telex and now works in Dallas, U.S.A., as a Marketing Associate.

Rimmer, Allan (Evans, 62-67)

Allan runs his own business in the Midlands. Would any of his contemporaries please contact him via the O.G.A. Secretary.

Seddon, David (Amers, 76-79)

Davis married in July 1994 to Heather. He is now teaching in a Primary School in Loughborough. He plays keyboards and saxophone in a band and has so far made two records.

Skipsey, Ian (Hollands, 73-79)

Ian has just been appointed Consultant Anaesthetist at Raigmore Hospital Trust, Inverness (like all medics his hand writing is hard to read. I can say this as he was in my class - Ed.) He is married with two children.

Stott, G.Ken. (Woodhams, 24-31)

The O.G.A. Committee would like to thank Ken for several photographs he has donated to the archives of the school in the 1920's. Ken retired from bank management in 1981.

Stringfellow, Martin (Woodhams, 70-76)

Martin is a director of Kleinwort Benson Deutschland in Frankfurt. He now has a son, Joshua, born in September of 1994.

Stuttard, Ralph (M, 79-83)

Ralph is now a senior programmer working for Girobank PLC in Bootle. He is also Treasurer for the Southport Chess Club and Merseyside Area Secretary for MENSA.

Sweeney, Gordon (Masons/M, 77-84)

Gordon is a yoga therapist and accountant with the Life Foundation of Therapeutics (UK).

Thomas, Dr. David A. (Grears, 55-62)

David is a Technical Services Manager at TBA Sealing Materials Ltd in Rochdale.

Thomson, David C. (Grears, 53-60)

David is now the Managing Director of Gold Crown Foods Ltd in Liverpool, one of the largest suppliers of tea and coffee in the U.K.

Viner, Brian (73-80)

Brian currently works for the Mail on Sunday as their TV and Entertainments feature writer.

Watson, Cyril (Masons, 41-49)

Cyril has now spent twenty six years in Singapore working in the shipping industry.

Williams, Robin (Edwards, 52-59)

Robin retired from teaching in 1993 but is fully occupied as Secretary of two clubs in Bletchley - the Rugby Club and the Conservative Club.

Wincer, Stuart (74-80)

Stuart returned from his round-the-world trip with his wife Lisa and is currently working in home security services. Congratulations to them on the birth of their first child, Richard, born this February.

Obituaries

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

Robert Guest (d. 1994)

After forty years as a dispensing chemist, Robert retired in 1987. He was in Rogers House from 1940 to 1944. The O.G.A. have heard in-directly of his death towards the end of last year.

Peter J. Richardson (b. 1936 - d. February 1995)

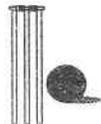
Peter Richardson died suddenly on February 10th of a heart attack. Peter was, up to his death, an Assistant Vice-Principal, one of three such positions at the College. He had previously been the Head of Physics, having joined the staff in 1964. He was also one of the most approachable and respected members of staff the School and College had ever had. I write this as a student of his for two years leading to my 'O' level exam, and therefore appreciate how much he will be missed at the College. This sad news has been passed to us as we go to press, therefore a full obituary to Peter will be published in next years Red Rose. Our sympathy go out to his widow, Mary, and son, Alistair, who is currently a student at the College. - Ed

Alison Thompson (b. 1972 - d. 1994)

Alison attended K.G.V. College from 1988 to 1990. She sadly died in October 1994 aged 22, from cancer. She was in her third year at Queen Margaret College in Edinburgh studying for a B.A. in Communication Studies.

George Wakefield (d. October 1994)

A full entry on George Wakefield follows this section.



The Old Boys (Re-)Match !!

Following on from the 1994 victory, a representative O.G.A. team took the field at the College one pleasant afternoon last May. Support from the boundaries was once again present and welcome (lets have more of you this year !). The team comprised Jonathan Elliott, Mark Day, Dave Marshall, Chris Threlfall, Steve Bond, Keith Ball, Nick Catterall, Chris Parkinson and John Gregory, on loan from the College. The College also provided two fielders.

Following last years drubbing, the College were more determined not to under-estimate the O.G.A. team, if not to win - tactics will be explained.

The College team opened the batting and their opening pair had produced a stance of 23 runs before Keith Ball had the first opener out LBW. The College moved on to 55 for 4 and then 81 for 6, before they went on to make 147 for 8 from their 30 overs. Keith ended up with 4 for 16, Chris Threlfall with 3 for 9, 1 for 19 with Steve Bond, Chris Parkinson, John Gregory and Mark Day contributing the other overs bowled. Jon Elliott kept wicket.

Tea was taken where the O.G.A. tactics were discussed - namely (win, lose or draw) everyone was to meet at the Richmond afterwards !

The opening batsmen, messrs Ball and Bond took to the field and produced a fine first wicket stance of 8 in 3 overs when Steve Bond slipped and was unfortunately run out. John Gregory then joined Keith and lasted until the eighth over when he was caught behind. Chris Threlfall did not show the same prowess with the bat as he did with the ball, say no more, and Nick Catterall joined Keith at the wicket. Together they built a fourth wicket partnership of 66 before Keith was bowled for 62. Nick followed two balls later for 19. Jon Elliott came in for Keith, with Parki in for Nick. The College then brought in their own tactical manoeuvre, which was to bowl off-line and to drop anything that looked like a catch. Unfortunately for them, the O.G.A. Captain overheard this tactic and decided the best option was to not play at any ball delivered to him. Questions were soon asked by the umpires, the tactical plan explained and it was decided to field and bat to the best of everyone's ability. Jon Elliott then rattled off a quick 11 before the ball quickly rattled off his middle stump. Parki made 2 and was then bowled. Mash came in to score a single before being caught off an excellent ball. This then left Mark Day at the crease together with the return of the experienced O.G.A. batsman Keith Ball. Mark made 11 and Keith a single before the over ran out, with the O.G.A. team on 125 for 8, 23 runs short of the target !.

Applause rippled around the ground, well at least around the kit bag, and the winners trophy was presented to the College team Captain. The trophy in question was the old school Jubilee Cup. This had been residing in the back of a cabinet for several years and it was decided that this trophy in particular, given its importance to the old school, should be used as the annual trophy to be played for between the College and the O.G.A. team.

Thanks also to Johnny Ball and Tommy Dutton for their enthusiastic and unbounded umpiring on the day.



Snooker Loopy

The second annual (hopefully) snooker evening took place at the S&B Cricket Club in November 1994. A great evening was had by all where thirty two budding Stephen Hendrys (or John Pullmans in some cases) gathered to play out a tantalising singles competition. Such was the quality of the play that, unlike last year, matches had to be won rather than lost on fouls, and hence each went the distance. This had the side effect of time running out and not permitting the doubles contest to take place, but this was far over come by the standard of play attained. The eventual winner was the assistant organiser, Tony Milner. The O.G.A. would like to express thanks to Stan Rimmer for his organising skills.

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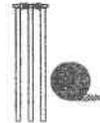
at ate oclock diner was searved. odly enough, our grupe was seatd in a diferent part of the dnyng roome from the other gests, but this dident stopp piling from visitting there tabels as a goodwill jesture. he lookd a bit lik toni blare drumng up suport for scraping claws fore. After the meel piling tride, as usuel, to foarce the others to drink mor than they could coap with, and he rertened from the barr with five glases of a pourful meksican licure. As everibody refusd it, piling had to drink the lott himsealf, witch probbably accounted for his greany-gray complection and withdrawne maner the folowing day.

on sundae we went for a wark in the woulds. onse againe it was raneing, or as j.r.piling obbservd, 'peaing downe'. rimer, a bitt of a clevver-cloggs, saide that addvercity bread teem spirrit, carachter and morel fiber. 'sodd that!' replide chandla, and then promptley fel over. are root took us passed a spesial shcool for norty boyes, and the other hilites of the wark included seaing a dear and lotts of ewe treas, as geoffs was kean to pointe out. 'who dose he thinke he is' jeared piling, 'david beile amie?.....'johnathon poridge?' sneared chandla..... 'riched atenburra?' quiped bagsure.

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Forthcoming Events



The College Theatrical Production - April 1995

The production will be Steven Sondheim's Company, and it will take place from Tuesday 4th to Thursday 6th April 1995 at the College.

Chairman's Weekend 1995

Details to be announced by the new Chairman.

Annual General Meeting & Association Dinner - Thursday 13th April 1995

Details are on pages 19 & 20.

OGA Sports Challenge Day - Wednesday 10th May 1995

Provisionally a Gentleman's Cricket Match has been arranged to take place at the AINSDALE CRICKET CLUB (due to pitch problems at the College).

Please contact Jonathan Elliott or Mr. Mitchell at the College regarding all these events if you are interested as either a spectator or a competitor. Addresses and phone numbers are on the inside front cover.

"Marketing Yourself" - July 1995 (provisional)

The College welcomes Old Georgians' from a wide variety of professions to help in the afternoon of this full day programme for all first year students. Please contact the OGA Secretary or Mr. Mitchell at the College if you can assist.

Old Georgians' Concert - November 1995

Following on from last years highly successful event, the OGA will again be sponsoring a concert held at the College. Pre- and post- concert drinks are available, either side of a highly entertaining and professional programme from the College orchestra. Please note on your return slip if you wish to receive further information.

Careers Evening - November 1995

In a most useful and gratifying exercise, Old Georgians are invited to attend the evening to present, discuss and debate careers, jobs etc with the present College students. The evening is aimed at assisting the students in gaining an appreciation of the real world from those of us already out there. Details available from Roger Mitchell at the College.

George Wakefield

George Wakefield attended KGV in the 1930's, leaving in 1939 to read English at Liverpool University. His schooldays were commemorated for many years in the photographs of school plays which were displayed in the corridors. His university studies were interrupted by the war. He was taken prisoner in Sicily in 1943, suffering from a badly injured knee which left him lame for the rest of his life. He was later transferred to Silesia where he remained for eighteen months. His experience as a prisoner left his spirit undimmed.

In 1945 he joined the staff of KGV as a junior English master and immediately made his mark as the producer of the annual school play. His productions reached almost professional perfection and he inspired performances in his schoolboy actors, in both male and female parts, of truly astonishing power. Perhaps his outstanding success was "Hamlet" in 1952. The difficult duel scene in the last act quite surpassed in realism that of a West end production of a year or two earlier. His versatility was shown by the almost equally successful "Toad of Toad Hall" in the following year. Altogether he produced about 15 plays all of which were quite above anything one would expect to find from a school cast.

In 1950, A.W. Payne, who had been Head of the English Department for many years, took early retirement. I had no hesitation in recommending to the Governors that George should take his place. This appointment raised eyebrows that so young a man should be given such a senior job, but it was the first, and arguably the most successful, appointment of the young generation of new heads of department which was to follow.

He guided the English Department for some twenty years. It is the key department in any school, and George made it into a highly successful and happy unit. His own outstanding teaching ability and commitment were an inspiration to others who worked with him, and to the school as a whole.

In 1969 he became Deputy Head. His ability and enthusiasm were now transferred to a wider field. His wise and calm advice and, above all friendliness, won him universal respect and the School flourished accordingly.

I have no doubt that George would have made a most successful Headmaster. It is King George V School's great good fortune that he chose to remain with us throughout his career.

He enjoyed his retirement to the full and became a talented and successful water colour artist. His sudden death last October leaves a sad gap in the lives of all who had the privilege of knowing and working with him.

G.F. Dixon

Alan Lessiter

Alan Lessiter was one of a group of young school masters recruited by George Millward during the middle and late 20s. It was through the efforts of these men that KGV became one of the leading schools in the North West.

My first meeting with him was in 1934 when as a new boy I was taught mathematics by him. This continued right through my first five years at KGV. To say that his work was thorough would be a gross understatement. He was a hard but fair task master. Our relationship was continued when he took over as Housemaster of Leech's. We had many disagreements during this period, but he bore my outbursts with a forebearance which, on reflection, was ill-deserved.

Maths was not his only interest. For many years he ran the Chess Club and refereed many 1st XV games. It was only when I joined the staff that I was to learn of his escapades as a motor-cyclist. He became Head of Mathematics on the retirement of "Joe" Mayne and worked tirelessly to uphold and to raise the standards of the department. In addition he was responsible for the organisation of all internal and external examinations. Needless to say there were no mistakes made.

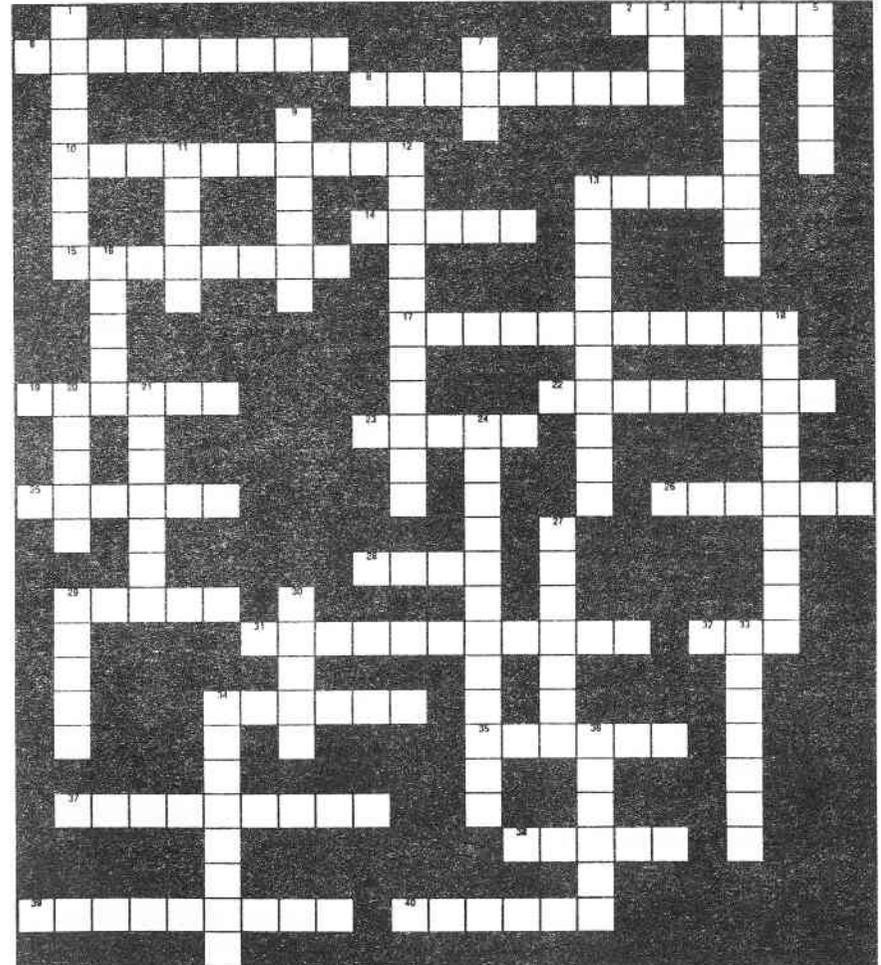
Alan was a creature of habit, always arriving at the same time, occupying the same chair in the Staff room, doing the Guardian crossword each lunch-time. He appeared ageless and never seemed to change during the thirty years that I knew him. I suppose the lasting impression of him that we all have is of a dark clad figure, gown slipping off one shoulder, a case in his left hand, striding purposefully to his next class.

R. Abram

The 1995 Challenge

This year we have included a little brain teaser for you. It is as much fun as it is a competition. However, for those of you who like a reward for your efforts you can win a free ticket to this years or next years dinner. Nine of the answers are the names of the Houses of K.G.V. School that were in force up to the Summer of 1979. As there were actually twelve, three of them are missing. If you complete the answers correctly AND name the three missing houses, your entry will be put into a draw to take place on the evening of the 1995 dinner. Please submit your entry to Roger Mitchell at the College by Friday 7th April 1995 in order that they can be checked prior to the evening of the Dinner.

The rules and the clues are on the next page. Good luck !



Your Name: _____
 House 1: _____ House 2: _____ House 3: _____

The Rules For The 1995 Challenge

- 1) You must complete the whole cross word with correct answers.
- 2) 3 houses - from the 12 in existence when the School changed to the College in 1979 - are not named in the cross word. These 3 must be entered correctly on the form.
- 3) Please ensure your name is on the entry - blank ones will be ignored.
- 4) Entries must be received at the College by Friday 7th April 1995.
- 5) The winners will be drawn at the Annual Dinner on April 13th. The winner will either receive a refund of their ticket price for the 1995 dinner, or a free ticket for the 1996 dinner. The runner up will receive an Old Georgians Association tie or badge.
- 6) Entry is not permitted to members of the committee.

The Clues

Down

- 1,4,9,11,20 - School Houses
3 (and 2A) - a Deputy Head
5 (and 34A) - a Deputy Head
7 (and 36D) - the current site of the original school
12 - the year the 6th Form College was formed
13 - the retired market gardener is the Associations, numerically speaking
16 - the venue of the 1st XV Rugby tour in 1979
18 (and 32A) - a Deputy Head
21 (and 39A) - the date KGV was officially opened
24 - a Principal
27 - the cup for the best School House, now the cricket trophy
29 (and 25A) - a Headmaster and Principal
30 (and 34D) - a Headmaster
33 (and 26A) - a Deputy Head
34 - see 30D
36 - see 7D and 40A

Across

- 10,15,19,35 - School Houses
2 (and 3D) - a Deputy Head
6 - the name of the original school
8 (and 14A) - a Principal
13 - an ex-chair of the O.G.A., a Liberal sort of chap.
14 - see 8A
17 - the year of this century when the School was officially opened
22 (and 34A) - a Headmaster
23 - the number of houses through the fifties and sixties
25 - see 29D
26 - see 33D
28 - the number of stairwells in the old school building
29 - the Earl who opened the original KGV
31 - along with 7D and 36D, what stands on the original school (6A) site
32 - see 18D
34 - see 5D, 22A and 37A
37 - a Deputy Head
38 - the number of Heads/Principals at the 1994 dinner
39 - see 21 D
40 - with 36D, these are on the site of the old school buildings

Old Georgians' Annual Dinner

SOUTHPORT & BIRKDALE CRICKET CLUB

Thursday April 13th 1995



As previously, and still by popular demand, The County Cricket Ground in Trafalgar Road is the venue for our annual dinner on Maundy Thursday. Mrs. Hilary Anslow, Principal of the College, has been invited to preside over the evening. Our guest speaker for the evening will be Old Georgian Brian Viner (Woodhams, 1973-80) who was formerly T.V. critic and now a feature writer for the Mail On Sunday.

The menu will be as follows:

Brown Windsor Soup
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Baked Halibut Steak with Cheese and Chive Sauce
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Roast, Stuffed Leg of English Lamb with Selected Vegetables
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Fresh Orange Pudding with Sweet Sauce
*
Cheese and Biscuits
*
Coffee and Mints

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

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

**Old Georgians'
Annual General Meeting**

SOUTHPORT & BIRKDALE CRICKET CLUB

Thursday April 13th 1995

Commencing 7.00 p.m. prompt.

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of Last Annual General Meeting
3. Matters Arising
4. Chairman's Report
5. Hon.Treasurer's Report
6. Election of Officers 1995-1996
 - a) President
 - b) Chairman
 - c) Vice-Chairman
 - d) Hon.Treasurer
 - e) Hon.Secretary
 - f) Hon. Assistant Secretary
 - g) College Representative
 - h) Hon.Auditors
 - i) New Committee Members
7. Date of Next O.G.A. Ordinary Meeting
8. Any Other Business