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Section One
College Reports
Sadness and success were mingled in 2011/12. The College was deeply saddened by the unexpected death of Dennis Avery (TH 1980) on 23 July 2012. I was able to attend the funeral in San Diego, representing both Trinity Hall and the Vice-Chancellor, and Stephen Hawking (TH 1962) also planned to attend – an enormous tribute to Dennis. In the event, Stephen was himself in hospital and his message was read by his son. The funeral in All Saints’ Episcopal Church was deeply moving, a traditional Anglican service that made a liturgical connection with Cambridge and the cadences of the Book of Common Prayer. I could not help thinking of another sad event this year, the funeral in St Alban’s Abbey of Lindy Runcie, a triple link with Trinity Hall through her father Dr J W C Turner, her husband, Robert (TH 1948), and her son, James (TH 1978). I am also sorry to report the deaths of Emeritus Fellows Cliff Pratten, David Marples (TH 1932) and Richard Newton. Cliff and David taught students of the College over many years; as Bursar, Richard ensured that we had the funding and support so vital to our survival and success.

At the funeral service, Dennis’s children and Sally, Dennis’s wife, spoke of him as a family man. We then moved to a Chinese restaurant which expressed another side of Dennis’s life with Sally – his love of Chinese culture. I was privileged to visit Sally’s Chinese school during my visit, and to see how much they had achieved. Over lunch, tributes were paid to Dennis. We all knew how much Dennis meant to us at Trinity Hall, but we did not know the full range of his generosity – neither did anyone else. Again and again, we heard of a gift – usually anonymous or unpublicised – that transformed the lives of people Dennis met. He always wanted to help people fulfil their potential, and did so with an openness and graciousness that was remarkable. We learned about Dennis’s own life: as an aficionado of motor-bikes who somehow arrived in Hamburg with a friend where he lived on a barge and repaired diesel engines; of his career as a lawyer for the city of San Diego working in consumer protection; of his work at the California Western School of Law where he became Dean, and from where he took leave to study at Trinity Hall; and finally of the generous use of his wealth.

Dennis was a man who lived modestly and gave generously, not only in material terms but of himself. He knew how to make friends, not least here at Trinity Hall. My own tribute was followed by Barry Lewis (TH 1959), who spoke for himself and the Trinity Hall Association, and by moving tributes from Mark Dennis (TH 1976), Joel Junker (TH 1977) and Tom Barton (TH 1976). Dennis inspired a reunion as we met at Joel’s beach house,
watching the sun set and remembering a man who transformed Trinity Hall and many other institutions and people. He will remain in the memory of the Hall as long as we survive, alongside our other benefactors from Bishop Bateman to Nathanael Lloyd to the present. Future generations will not have experienced the warmth and gentleness of a remarkable man. We will think of Sally in the time to come as she deals with a loss which is obviously all the more intense. A memorial meeting will be held here in College on 1 June 2013.

Success was in some cases tinged with a sense of loss, for Dr Matthew Conaglen, Fellow in Law since 2003, was appointed to a Professorship in Law in the University of Sydney, which took him closer to his roots in New Zealand and to his wife’s family in Australia. Matthew has been an excellent member of the Fellowship, both in his teaching and in his advice to me and to the Governing Body on many legal aspects of our work. He will be missed, but we are most fortunate that the legal tradition of the College has been upheld by the arrival of Kristin van Zwieten as the John Collier Fellow in Law, and by the election of Dr Stephen Waterston to a Fellowship on his appointment to a University Lectureship, to start for the next academic year (2012/13). Our legal team is therefore back to full strength. And we look forward to ensuring that our reputation as a leading law college is preserved and enhanced. The alumni event held at Linklaters during the year showed just how much support there is from members of the Hall, both for those who read Law and those who converted after graduating in other subjects. Dr Albert Guillén i Fàbregas was promoted to Reader in the Department of Engineering, but our pride in this success was countered by his resignation to take up a prestigious post in his native Catalonia. We are pleased that he will continue to collaborate with colleagues here, so that we will continue to see him in the Hall. Research Fellow Dr Anne-Sophie Kaloghiros (Mathematics) moved to London on a Research Council Fellowship. One of our former Research Fellows, Dr Jane Partner (English), is now based in Cambridge and has been elected to a Fellow-Commonership. We were delighted by the election of Professor James Montgomery to the Sir Thomas Adams’s Professorship of Arabic, one of the oldest chairs in the University, dating from 1632, and the longest-established professorship of Arabic. Our Fellow in Philosophy, Dr Fraser MacBride, has played a major role in developing the subject at Trinity Hall; during the year, he was appointed to the Chair of Logic and Rhetoric at the University of Glasgow, a post once held by Adam Smith. He will be staying with us until the end of 2012, and we wish him well for the future. We also congratulated the Vice-Master, Professor John Clarkson, on the award of an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Leiden. At the start of the academic year, new Research Fellows Hermes Gadelha and Dr Laura Kirkley (TH 2004) joined us.
Dr Farhan Feroz whose tenure as a Research Fellow ended, remained with us as a Fellow Commoner, for he was awarded a highly competitive Leverhulme Research Fellowship which allows him to remain with us for another three years – a gratifying confirmation that our Research Fellows are at the top of their subjects. The Fellowship continues to be renewed and to flourish, with the arrival of Di Haigh (Architecture), Chris Constant, (Anatomy) and Dr Alex Marr (Art History), who arrived in May 2012, as well as two highly distinguished alumni as Honorary Fellows, Professor Andy Hopper (TH 1974) and Professor Peter Sever (TH 1962). We have been fortunate that they have come to College on many occasions, renewing their contacts with us.

Of course, the purpose of the College is above all to teach and research, and the results have once more been excellent, as reported by the Senior Tutor. The results reflect the hard work of Fellows who have many competing demands on their time, from lecturing in their Departments, supervising graduate students, applying for grants, writing papers and books, and running projects. One of the most gratifying things about the College is that so many busy people give so much time and energy to teaching here, and provide such strong academic and pastoral support to our students. This commitment reflects well on our Tutorial Team and on our Directors of Studies – and, of course, on the Admissions Tutors who have done so much in ensuring we admit the very best students, regardless of school and background. During the year, we moved to the new funding regime of £9,000 fees and pressure from the Office of Fair Access (OFFA) to admit maintained and private school pupils in proportion to those securing the requisite grades of AAA*. The Admissions Tutors report on their efforts and work during the year which mean that we are able to attract many bright young people who might otherwise have felt that a Cambridge college was beyond their ambition.

One of the great merits of the college system is that Fellows and students meet across disciplines and learn about much more than their own subject, through conversation over the dining table, or through various events. In 2011/12, once again we have been fortunate to enjoy a large number of outstanding events in College. We have hosted professional concerts, as well as performances by our own students – the Chapel Choir, the College Choir, the Jazz Band, as well as the musical Bereavement composed by Jeff Carpenter (TH 2009) which was a hit at the ADC and at the Edinburgh Fringe. Sport has flourished, with another Olympic gold medal in rowing for Tom James (TH 2002), and, although they did not on this occasion win medals, Emma Pooley (TH 2001) and Adam Brown son of one of our Porters, Kim, were also part of Team GB and helped their colleagues to the podium. We also enjoyed the enormously successful reunion of the
Boat Club to mark Martin Fordham’s forty years of service, and the victory of the women’s football team in the Plate, coached by Malcolm Pearman, one of our excellent porters. We have heard brilliant lectures, above all Alan Hollinghurst’s Graham Storey Lecture on Ronald Firbank, an alumnus of Trinity Hall (1906). The year opened with an exhibition of the work of Dr Barbara Rae RA and closed with the installation of paintings and sculptures by Helene Fesenmaier. I was fortunate to be invited by Barbara to the annual dinner of the Royal Academy, where she was responsible for hanging part of the summer exhibition, in which she included work by Hughie O’Donaghue who showed with us last year. It was a surprise to find that other members of the Academy were eager to come to exhibit with us, for they had been told about the interaction with our students, alumni and the wider community. The Trinity Hall Forum organised by Dr Claire Daunton continued to attract large and appreciative audiences from the city of Cambridge and beyond, as well as students, Fellows and alumni of the University. The speakers included two alumni: Simon Wessely (TH 1975), Professor at the Institute of Psychiatry, on post-traumatic stress amongst soldiers serving in Afghanistan; and Chris Blackhurst (TH 1979), Editor of The Independent, on the Leveson enquiry, one of whose members is our Honorary Fellow Sir David Bell (TH 1965). The third presentation was by a Fellow, Dr Robert Asher, on his new book on evolution and belief. The topics were controversial and important, and led to considerable discussion in the Lecture Theatre and over supper in the Lodge. All of these events involve huge time and effort, and would not be possible without the patience and efficiency of Mary Richmond. I should also express my gratitude to Ginny Swepson for all of her work on our publications, which are much appreciated by our alumni and friends. As we move into the digital age, we will be transferring the information in the Newsletter onto the web.

Obviously, all of this activity and the continuing work on renovating our buildings, would not be possible without the careful management of our endowment, and the success of fundraising, on which the Bursar and Development Director report later in this Newsletter. One notable achievement was the creation of the Cambridge & Counties Bank Limited, a joint venture between Trinity Hall and the Cambridgeshire County Council Pension Fund. We are also looking forward to the successful development of the remaining plots on the Science Park, and to the continued success of our managers in investing our funds. We are fortunate at Trinity Hall that we have excellent professional staff who allow us to be efficient and effective, in the Bursary, Development and Alumni Office, Gardens, Catering and Conference, Maintenance, Porters’ Lodge, Tutorial and Admissions Office and Library. In the course of the year, many
visitors have complemented me on the care taken of our buildings and gardens, and the friendliness of our staff.

The academic year 2011/12 has been, personally, somewhat unusual. I stepped down from my two-year term as Chairman of the Colleges Committee, the body that brings together all 31 Heads of House, and deals with the complex negotiations over finance and admissions with the University. I enjoyed the experience, but was looking forward to a sabbatical year to write my book in 2011/12, which meant that I had leave from my University responsibilities. In College, I maintained my role in meeting alumni and benefactors, and hosting social events with students and many visitors. However, University rules meant that I was not permitted to chair College committees, and I am grateful to the Vice-Master, Professor John Clarkson, for stepping in. During the year I attended THA events in London, Edinburgh and Cardiff, as well as attending numerous reunions in College. I am writing shortly after returning from Hong Kong, where I delivered the first WYNG Foundation lecture – now to be an annual event – and met with generous benefactors and alumni, as well as with leading academics at both the Chinese University of Hong Kong and the University of Hong Kong. We are forging closer links with our friends in Hong Kong, who are supporting the Hall in many ways, as well as maintaining ties with other parts of the world. I am now returning to my full duties in College but also serving for the next four years as Head of the School of the Humanities and Social Sciences, one of the six Schools of the University. I will, however, have remission from my duties in the Faculty of History. Of course, I could not juggle all of these activities if it were not for the outstanding support that I have received from my PA, Anna Walford, who has now left the College. We wish her every success and happiness in the future. I must also pay tribute to the long service of our Manciple, Joseph Risino, who joined in 1992 and whose presence in Hall for so many occasions – matriculation, graduation, reunion, boat club – as well as the daily meals, made him such an important member of our community. We wish him and his wife a long and happy retirement.

The Newsletter shows that Trinity Hall continues to flourish and thrive, in difficult times for the national and world economy, in the face of political uncertainty, changes in funding regimes, and pressure over admissions policy. We have been able to rise to the challenge, and I am sure that we will continue to do so in the future as a result of the strength of our Fellowship, the excellence of our students, the commitment of our staff, and the support of our alumni and friends.

Professor Martin Daunton
From 1 October 2011

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From the Bursar

In the final paragraph to this article last year, I looked forward to two prospective milestones in Trinity Hall’s journey: the prospect of a new and different type of investment we were hoping to make; and the aspiration that, building on 2010/11’s strong investment performance, we might soon join the select group of colleges with endowments in excess of £100 million – the target we set ourselves in 2005 when our ‘wealth’ was roughly only half of this figure. Writing this as usual at the end of August, I know we have achieved one of these goals, but, until the annual accounts are finalised in October, I am on tenterhooks about the other.

Looking at the endowment first, an aspiration that our funds may have risen over last year is, in itself, surprising. Our financial year ends on 30 June and I made the point last year that this date coincided precisely with the market high. The succeeding twelve months have seen two collapses in the equity markets (where most of our investments lie) and two recoveries. Unfortunately, the ongoing Eurozone crisis, in particular, has held markets back and never let them get away from the thing they hate most: uncertainty. Most major indices are lower than a year earlier and the recoveries have so far not matched the falls. If we take the FTSE 100 as an illustration, and the largest part of our portfolio is still invested in British stocks, the index has fallen 6.3% in the period.

First indications suggest that our managed funds, across all categories with the exception of physical property, are only approximately 3.1% lower, which suggests that, as we are becoming used to, our asset managers have collectively out-performed once again. Indeed, we have been able to further supplement this result by adding roughly £1.1 million from the College’s operating surplus as a donation to the endowment. This is a good example of the College being able to help itself. It demonstrates the importance of growing our core wealth and should enable us to report only a 2.3% overall decline in our securities portfolios.

I had hoped the annual revaluation of our investment property holdings, which is slightly higher, might be enough to carry us over the magic £100 million barrier for the first time in the College’s history. Sadly, this will not quite be achieved but there is likelihood for a better result than might have been expected. One of the capital projects we have started in this year is the build-out and sale of the last remaining three undeveloped plots on the Trinity Science Park. The College has owned these for many years but we have always reported them in the accounts at a nominal £1. Given that development is finally under way, our new auditors Peters Elworthy and Moore (PEM) are happy to include a land value of
£4.75 million in the accounts for the first time. This will not allow us to usher Trinity Hall into the £100 million club this year, investment conditions have just been too difficult; but we will come close and, improbably, we should manage a total endowment figure in excess of last year’s record result. It is hats off once again to all our external advisers, the Investments Committee, and the Accounts and Bursary teams who have worked so hard to keep Trinity Hall in the forefront of charities investment returns. Who knows, maybe next year we will hit the magic number?

Whilst touching on PEM, it behoves me to thank our outgoing auditors Chater Allan with whom we part company after many years of diligent helpfulness. It is a measure of their predecessor’s caution, that when I asked PEM (who look after over 20 other colleges), if they could pinpoint any initial deficiencies in our processes and previous accounts, the only two issues they brought up were their view that we were too stringent in our reporting of heritage assets (it seems nobody else is so honest) and that our buildings depreciation policy was more draconian than it needed to be. Readers of my reports will know that this last is dear to my heart.

When the new RCCA regime of Cambridge college accounts was introduced in 2004, the intention was to force all colleges into a similarly transparent accounting standard. For the first time, meaningful comparisons could be made between colleges’ accounts as they would all be calculated on a common basis. In fact, this noble aspiration was frustrated straight away. By allowing each college to choose often totally diverse methodologies for depreciating their greatest asset, something particularly relevant to ancient colleges with large historic sites, the principle of a common standard was completely scuppered. PEM have encouraged us not to vary our policy per se but to apply it to a depreciated asset rather than replacement cost valuation of our central (ie ancient) site. We have commissioned a new valuation of our operational estate on this basis from Gerald Eve, and this change is likely to be a major factor in what I expect will be a large swing in our numbers, producing the first surplus on the Income and Expenditure account in many years.

This does not mean that our finances and prospects have been transformed overnight, merely that, as I have argued for some time, on a genuinely comparable basis Trinity Hall is one of the better performing Cambridge colleges. Sadly, this ‘with one bound Jack was free’ effect of an accounting change has only added to my existing profound suspicion of the practical value of statutory accounts as a financial management tool.

While dealing with new professional appointments, I should mention that we have also replaced Carter Jonas with Savills as our principal
property agents during the period under review. This has already resulted in a more dynamic assessment of what might be achievable with developing some of our estate and has given rise to a slate of capital projects which could result in substantial earnings to the endowment over time. I will deal in more detail with these as they progress, but for now I will say that, not only have we appointed Development Securities as our partners in trying to extract value from our remaining Science Park plots, but we are also looking at creating a bespoke campus for a leading private educational group on land we own at the top of Bateman Street. If this goes ahead, it could, when finished, produce guaranteed large and predictable rents on a lease running as long as 20 to 25 years.

Although not an investment asset, the College has also begun a capital project to demolish St Clement’s Gardens, the 1920s terrace of hostels in Thompson’s Lane, and replace them with a new high quality building to provide en-suite student housing right where we need it – in the middle of town near our restricted Central Site. This plan is fraught with planning difficulties but the current condition of the existing accommodation is so poor it forces us to try. We have been invaluably helped by the pledging of a very generous gift from one of the College’s Hong Kong-based long-term friends. Although this donation will only cover approximately one-third of the putative total cost of this exciting project, should we get permission to proceed from the City Council’s planners, it has provided us with a wonderful platform from which to push ahead.

Lastly, let me return to the other of last year’s goals that has been successfully fulfilled. In June, as many of you have read, Trinity Hall and the Cambridgeshire County Council Pension Fund, as joint-owners, were able to launch the Cambridge & Counties Bank Limited (CCB). This is a small, fully-authorised bank specifically designed to make modest secured loans to the beleaguered Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SME) sector. Particular focus will be placed on businesses in the Bank’s Cambridgeshire, Northamptonshire and Leicestershire heartlands. Creating this new and much needed resource has been a long and arduous process, not least in obtaining the necessary approvals from the FSA. I am indebted to our partners in the Council for their unwavering determination to bring this off and to the phalanx of professional advisers, particularly Mills & Reeve, the College’s lawyers, who supported us through thick and thin (albeit for a fee!).

Although an unorthodox investment, the College’s initial financial commitment is relatively small (a little over 3% by value of our total portfolio) and the rewards for this type of enterprise could be tremendous. I would hope that CCB might, over many years, prove a sort of
‘game-changer’ for the College’s strength and enhance our ability to plan for the future and the inevitable growth of our academic mission – perhaps in a way not dissimilar to how Felixstowe has helped our impressive neighbour. If the Bank never prospers as hoped for, its limited cost and the absence of a back-book of dodgy loans should ensure we cannot get too badly hurt. Many comments from friends and alumni have complimented us on the timeliness of this initiative and I would like to thank them for all the messages of goodwill that continue to pour in. Above all, and not for the first time, I am grateful to the Trinity Hall Fellowship for the trust and imagination it has shown in supporting this endeavour. It is only early days, but so far so good – indeed, we have already received our first, rather cheeky, take-over offer from some City grandees. There is clearly demand out there for CCB’s product; we must now set about supplying it in a sensible and measured manner – after all, we are trying to differentiate ourselves from the excesses of the clearing banks, not become like them!

If there is one message I would hope readers of this Newsletter might take away from my report, it is that Trinity Hall is not just throwing itself on the mercy of its friends and benefactors, though we desperately need your help. Control of our own destiny cannot be ensured solely by good husbandry and efficiently controlling our costs; it will take bold initiatives to guarantee we are able to continue to provide the education and research for which we are justly recognised. I trust that, with projects like the redevelopment of ‘Clems’, the proposed programmes at Bateman Street and the Science Park, and the launch of CCB, we are demonstrating that the College is doing its utmost to help itself and be deserving of your continuing support and succour.

Paul ffolkes Davis

From the Senior Tutor

At a time of financial austerity and significant changes in the way that university funding is allocated (both for teaching and research), Cambridge and Trinity Hall are aspiring to remain at the forefront of education without losing sight of our core objectives. The fact that the College finances are in such a good state, for which we thank the Bursar, certainly helps the College function from day-to-day, but planning for the future requires more than good management and goodwill. What the College has been able to do is respond to changes and challenges to the way we
have operated. This has been possible thanks to a brilliant team of staff and Fellows who have been willing to work together to become more effective and to support each other and our student community. The phased refurbishment of the staircases on Central Site provides an example of how the working relationships in College minimise disruption but improves the fabric of the College in the longer term. The strength of the relationship between the Development Office and the Fellowship means that our generous alumni are being advised how to strategically direct their support to areas of the College having the greatest need (for example, support of graduate students). In addition to these two higher profile examples of how good working relationships translate to long term benefits, there are the daily instances of discussions between the Porters, Junior Bursar and the Tutorial team about how to deal with a set of student-related problems in a way that minimises the impact on the student – be it a maintenance, financial or pastoral problem.

The Fellowship is firm in its view that Trinity Hall should set high academic standards. Our Admissions team work tirelessly throughout the year to encourage bright young high school students to apply to university, and to seriously consider Trinity Hall. As you might recollect from my previous contributions to the Newsletter, undergraduate recruitment is a significant challenge. Not only are we fighting incorrect perceptions about Cambridge, but we seem to be encountering resistance from teachers and some schools who are discouraging capable students from applying to Cambridge. We are now convinced that there would be great value in appointing a Schools Liaison Officer to support our recruitment activity as in this way we will have the capacity to visit more schools and broaden our reach and to take advantage of on-line resources. Once students are admitted, we have a strong reputation for providing a high standard of academic and pastoral support, and this translates to exceptional academic results in a happy community. The Tripos results have been steadily improving relative to the University average over the past nine years to the point where Trinity Hall has ranked in the top five on one of the comparative tables for the past three years and in the top ten over the past four years. The improvement comes down to a constructive relationship between the JCR and the Fellowship, and the high aspirations of our student community. It is noteworthy that Trinity Hall is often in the list of colleges that are consulted for areas of best practise. For example, there is negligible difference in the examination performance of our students based on gender (a matter of considerable concern at the majority of colleges), and we have been at the forefront of helping to establish pastoral support programmes (such
as Peer2Peer) that are now being adopted by other colleges. In addition to the academic achievements of our student community (both the JCR and MCR), we take pride in the success of our sports clubs, social societies and music and drama groups. As has been the case in the past, the profile of Trinity Hall significantly outweighs our size.

As Senior Tutor, not only do I feel a sense of pride in our students, but also in my committed and talented colleagues. Our Directors of Studies and Tutors are outstanding, and the Fellowship on the whole is remarkably talented – all the more impressive considering that we have one of the youngest Fellowships in Cambridge. Over the past year we marked the arrival of Kristin van Zwieten (John Collier Fellow in Law), Hermes Gadelha (WYNG Junior Research Fellow in Mathematical Biology), Dr Laura Kirkley (TH 2004, Junior Research Fellow in French), Diane Haigh (Fellow-Commoner, Architecture) and Chris Constant (Fellow-Commoner, Anatomy). Two alumni were elected to Honorary Fellowships – Professor Andy Hopper (TH 1974, Computer Science) and Professor Peter Sever (TH 1962, Clinical Pharmacology). Two of our Research Fellows came to the end of their term: Dr Anne-Sophie Kaloghiros (Mathematics) moved to London on a Research Council Fellowship, while Dr Jane Part-ner (English) will be based in Cambridge and has been elected to a Fellow-Commonership. Sadly three Emeritus Fellows passed away this year, Cliff Pratten, David Marples (TH 1932) and Richard Newton; our thoughts have been with their families.

The customary lateness of my contribution means that I have been able to capture two other significant recent events. The first is the happy news of our former students’ participation in the London Olympics. Tom James (TH 2002) secured a gold medal in the men’s coxless fours having won the gold in Beijing four years ago, while Emma Pooley (TH 2001) – who won the silver for the cycling road time trial in Beijing – missed a medal this time around having performed heroically again in the road race earlier in the week. In addition to Tom and Emma, we have also adopted swimmer Adam Brown (son of our Porter, Kim Brown) as one of our own. We congratulate all three and wish to express our respect and admiration for all they have achieved over the past four years. The second event is the sad passing away of Dennis Avery (TH 1980) on 23 July. Dennis was a kind and generous friend of the College who was admired and loved by everyone who had the good fortune to meet him. In his typically modest way, Dennis has helped strengthen and shape Trinity Hall in ways that will not be obvious to many who are linked to the College. Our thoughts are with his wife Sally, their family and many friends.
In conclusion, Trinity Hall is in great shape, but this is no time to be complacent. By the time I make my final report as Senior Tutor next year, I hope that the College will be in an even stronger position. From the Tutorial perspective our work would not be possible without the team in the Tutorial Office (Julie Powley, Jackie Harmon, Vicky Mills and Doreen Kunze), the Graduate Tutors (Dr Lorand Bartels and Dr Tadashi Tokieda), Admissions Tutors (Dr Clare Jackson and Dr Andrew Murray), Tutors and Directors of Studies. Our wonderful Porters, Librarians, Gardeners, Housekeeping department, and teams in the Kitchen and Maintenance are guided by our fantastic Junior Bursar (Glen Sharp), and all help make Trinity Hall the fabulous place it is. My gratitude also goes to Professor John Clarkson who has been so supportive while the Master has been on sabbatical this past year.

Dr Nick Bampos

Report from the Graduate Tutor

The graduate community in Trinity Hall continues to thrive, both academically and socially. We remain one of the most attractive colleges for graduate students, consistently receiving more applicants than comparably sized colleges; and, with over 260 graduate students, the MCR is known as one of the most welcoming and friendly throughout the University.

Under the presidency of Jessica Soltys (TH 2010), the MCR Committee has organised a full range of stimulating lectures and debates, bringing together graduate students across different academic disciplines. The well-established McMenemy Seminar series, which offers the chance for graduate students to present their work to other members of the MCR and the wider College community, has been fantastically well attended this year with talks on topics as diverse as pharmaceutical development, intelligence in the crow family and uses of carbon nanotubes. This year’s Marshall McLuhan symposium was held on 3 May on the theme of ‘Memory’. Following informal presentations in the morning, lively debates on the topic were held in the afternoon, with many insightful and informative comments from the audience.

The College is committed to supporting the graduate community in as many ways as possible to allow them to fulfil their academic potential. Our mentoring scheme matches each graduate student with a member of the Fellowship, who has agreed to provide academic and professional guidance. This program depends entirely on the goodwill
and commitment of the Fellowship; many thanks to the mentors for their commitment and support over the academic year.

Funding for graduate courses is increasingly difficult. Because of this, it is important that we can continue to provide financial support for our graduate students. Trinity Hall offers a significant number of fully funded Masters and PhD studentships, in addition other support for research and travel. We remain grateful to Alumni and friends of the College, whose generosity enables further generations of Trinity Hall graduate students to undertake vital research.

The MCR also welcomed ten new Postdoctoral Research Associates (PDRAs), with academic interests ranging from veterinary pathology to history and physics. The PDRAs are early career researchers attached to the University. PDRAs take supervisions for our undergraduates, participate in a buddy scheme for graduates, and are involved in other academic events, such as the McMenemy Seminars. They are much valued and enthusiastic members of both the College and the MCR. I thank Doreen Kunze in the Tutorial Office for the assistance she gives to the PDRAs.

I, last and most, extend my thanks to Julie Powley, the Graduate Officer, for her tireless and supremely efficient assistance to both myself and Dr Bartels.

As the new academic year begins, we wish another successful year to the graduate community in Trinity Hall.

Dr Tadashi Tokieda (Acting Graduate Tutor)

From the Admissions Office

As we write this (in early July), we have just completed the Cambridge Open Days. Collectively these equal the biggest event in the University’s admissions calendar, attracting over 15,000 visitors to the University in the space of two days. Trinity Hall opened its gates to prospective students on both days and received an estimated 1,500 visitors, all eager to look around College. Despite the recent wet weather, the sun even made a sustained appearance, highlighting the beautiful buildings and gardens, and many visitors left with a spring in their step (as well as copies of our prospectus!)

The Cambridge Open Days are just one example of the many ways in which the College Admissions team engage with potential applicants and their parents and teachers. Each year we run several public Open Days, the highlight of which in 2012 was the extremely popular Law
Open Day. This included a ‘mock trial’ during which potential applicants were given the opportunity to cross-examine a number of witnesses played by the more dramatically-inclined Trinity Hall Fellows and staff. The success of this event was evident in the enthusiastically positive feedback: for example, over 71% of attendees indicated that they were ‘more likely’ to apply to Cambridge following the event and one person remarked that ‘the event was engaging and really gave insight into how it would be to study Law at Cambridge. It eliminated many of my anxieties about applying.’ In 2013 we are planning to run a similar day for Modern and Medieval Languages and we are also considering holding a similar event for smaller arts subjects.

As well as Open Days, we also host a number of residential events for schools in our ‘link areas’. One such event was held in March for schools in North Somerset. Fifty students from eight schools travelled by coach to Trinity Hall, where they were treated to a fascinating lecture by Dr Stephen Leonard on his time spent with the Inugquit people in Greenland, followed by a photo tour of Cambridge and dinner in College. The following morning they were given a presentation on the admissions process followed by an entertaining ‘chat show’ interview with four current undergraduates. In these events, our aim is to inspire and inform, to debunk various myths surrounding the University, and to show that Cambridge is an exciting and rewarding place to study for those pupils who have the academic passion and potential to do well.

The Admissions Tutors and other Fellows have visited a number of schools, as well as Higher Education Fairs, in the UK to advise students and teachers on university admissions. The majority of these visits have focused on our link areas (such as the annual Bath and North East Somerset Oxbridge Conference) but some visits have also been arranged through alumni who are now teaching in secondary schools around the country. Further afield, Andrew Murray visited Hong Kong in September to advise teachers and students, from both local and international schools, on the Cambridge application process.

This time of year is also the season of exam results, both for current Trinity Hall students and for secondary school students holding offers from Cambridge. While the College’s Governing Body eagerly digests the news that our undergraduates’ results have placed us within the top five colleges again this year, the Admissions team gears up to receive news of which offer holders will have gained the necessary grades to be admitted in October. Each December, the Admissions team and interviewers work hard to ensure that the best candidates are chosen, and the summer brings the first confirmation of our ability to choose wisely.
With each passing year the admissions process becomes more robust; on-going research by the University on the efficacy of various metrics in predicting Tripos performance ensures that we are much better informed when it comes to assessing applications. With the combination of outreach to potential applicants in the summer and a fair and transparent assessment of their applications in the winter, we hope to achieve our ongoing aim to admit the very brightest and best students from a broad range of social and educational backgrounds.

*Dr Clare Jackson, Admissions Tutor for Arts and Humanities*

*Dr Andrew Murray, Admissions Tutor for Sciences*

*Miss Vicky Mills, Admissions Officer*
College Statistics

Undergraduates

During the year ending September 2012, the total number of undergraduates registered was 377. The numbers reading for a degree in each subject were as follows:

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*Total registered 377*

*Includes 11 abroad and 1 not in attendance.

The number of undergraduates taking classified examinations in 2012 was 364 of whom 86 were placed in the First Class and 192 in the Second Class.

Scholarships

The following elections and awards have been made in the academic year 2011/12.

Elected to Bateman Scholarships:

- **Classics:** R M Cunliffe, X Dennis
- **Economics:** A Kendall
- **Engineering:** P G Edis, J Hall, D M Knowles, R I Woodward
- **English:** O Ilott, J Ledger, J Vincent
- **History:** E Hollowood
- **History of Art:** A Burgon
Land Economy: I M Rieder
Law: K C Ashdown, T Bushnell, D Faure, C K Fearnside, N M Hunt, F N Jansen, N Lui
Mathematics: A J Butler, T L Kirk, L Mavrides,
Modern and Medieval Languages: J Donnithorne, J Hume, Z Proud, O Raizon, E Sherwin
Philosophy: P Bluemel
Politics, Psychology and Sociology: L Billingham, C B Eisinger, J Wintrup
Theology: R M A Ni Mhaoldomhnaigh

Elected to Scholarships:

Anglos-Saxon, Norse and Celtic: R P Jones
Architecture: J N Hibbert
Classics: K G Walford
Computer Science: H C Irish
Economics: W J Coen, R P Thomas
Engineering: E Bath, J A Bradshaw, W R Morton, R Sills, K Siu, E C West
English: A Greaves, D Montgomery
History: C E Oldham
Land Economy: K D Haywood
Law: J Ho,
Linguistics: J Baker,
Mathematics: G C Ball, W Cook, M Dickson, D Walsh
Medicine: W J Ng, C J Peet
Modern and Medieval Languages: E R Donnelly, D Eisenberg, M Hadzhiracheva, G Hinks, S Pickstone, M Yagoub
Politics, Psychology and Sociology: Z S Ansari

Named College Prizes awarded in 2012 were as follows:

Angus Prize for Classics: E Thompson
Colin Austin Prize for Greek: A Spencer
Harcourt Prize for Economics: A Kendall
John B Lansdell Prize for Economics: W Coen, R Thomas
Baker Prize for Engineering: R Sills
R A Hayes Prize for Engineering: R Woodward
Ernest Frankl Prize for Engineering: K Siu
John Denton Prize for Engineering: C McGill
Cressingham Prize for English: D Montgomery
Graham Storey Prize: A Greaves
C W Crawley Prize for History: E Hollowood
Kitty Crawley Prize for History: C Oldham
Henry Bond Prize for Law: J Ho
David Clement Davies Prize for Law: N Hunt
Dr Ellis Lewis Prize for English Law: T Bushnell, N Lui
Ian Malcolm Lewis Prize for Law: D Faure, F Jansen, K Ashdown, C Fearnside
Alan King-Hamilton Bursaries: J Ho, N Hunt, T Bushnell, N Lui, L Mason
Wylie Prize for Mathematics: D Walsh
Parks Prize for Mathematics: L Mavrides
Henry and Irene Dean Prize for Medicine: A Notghi
Bill Grundy Prize for Medicine: A Al-Mohammad
Paul Beare Prize for Pathology: Y Chan
Elmore Travel Exhibition: M Hadzhiracheva
Karen Thorne Prize for Biological Science: A Bücker, C Qian, J Tan
Michael Stobbs Prize for Natural Sciences: P Brown, B Davey, J Man, A-M Raclariu, C Stone, G Young
Katritzky Prize for Chemistry: A Forse
Stephen Hale Prize for Chemistry: A Smalley
N R Pillai Travel Scholarship: E Donnelly
Kitty Crawley Prize for Philosophy: P Bluemel
Dean Nurser Prize for Sociology: P Fee
Excelet Awards: E Bailey, J Carpenter
Trinity Hall Music Prizes: C Pilgrim, J Carpenter
Trinity Hall Computer Science Prize: H Irish
Trinity Hall Law Studentships: T Bushnell, N Hunt, N Lui
Dr Cooper Law Studentships: T Bushnell, L Mason, D O’Donoghue, K Watson

Awarded College Prizes:

Graduate Students

At present there are 260 graduate students in College, working on a wide range of advanced degrees. Of these, 91 are working towards PhD degrees in arts subjects and 98 in science subjects. Nearly all the remaining students are pursuing the MPhil, the Postgraduate Certificate in Education, the Master of Advanced Study in Mathematics or the LLM degree. There are 17 students enrolled in clinical courses in Medicine or Veterinary Medicine. The College also has five graduate students in the Executive MBA programme.

In the academic year 2011/12, College scholarships or prizes were awarded to the following graduate students:

**Trinity Hall Research Studentship**
- H Mowat (3 years 2011–2014)
- B Redlicki (1 year 2011–2012)
- C Suo (3 years 2011–2014)

**Evelyn Travers-Clarke Scholarship**
- E Pullinger (1 year 2011–2012)

**Graham Storey Scholarship**
- J Soltys (3 years 2011–2014)

**Underwood Scholarship**
- S Thathong (3 years 2011–2014)

**Horton Scholarship**
- M Wojtowicz (1 year 2011–2012)

**Nightingale Scholarship**
- H Zhang (1 year 2011–2012)
Postdoctoral Research Associates

The College welcomes a number of Postdoctoral Research Associates (PDRAs) each year.

Below is a list of those who started in Michaelmas 2011.

Dr Alex Alvarado  
Dr Camilla Benfield  
Dr James Golden  
Dr Kristina Kirschner  
Dr Shane McCristine  
Dr Jean-Francois Mercure  
Dr David Pretel  
Dr Chiara Valenzano  
Dr Emanuelle Vire  
Dr Xiaoyu Yan

Engineering  
Virology (Veterinary Pathology)  
Theology  
Oncology  
History  
Land Economy/Physics  
History  
Chemistry  
Biology  
Engineering
From the Dean

In Michaelmas Term sermons were themed around the Trinity Hall Chapel building and its contents. The art historian Duncan Robinson, Master of Magdalene College, preached on the Maso da San Friano altarpiece depicting The Visitation (a shortened version appeared in this summer’s Front Court magazine). Andrew Arthur, our Director of Music, spoke on the role of the organ voluntary in worship – a sermon musically illustrated by the Senior Organ Scholar. The Bishop of Norwich, the Rt Revd Graham James, preached from beneath his Episcopal predecessor’s coat of arms and Alison Hennegan, Fellow in English, preached at Evensong on Remembrance Day with the two books of remembrance behind her. This series was appreciated, not least by the Fellows, who encountered familiar features of the Chapel with new eyes and ears.

Other preachers during the year included, from the Academy, the patristics scholar Professor Frances M Young (once my tutor at Birmingham University); Professor George Newlands (the former Dean); Dr Peter Tyler of St Mary’s University College and Dr Oonagh O’Brien, Principal of the Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology in Cambridge. From the Church we heard the Archdeacon of Cambridge, the Venerable John Beer; the Rt Revd Stephen Platten, Bishop of Wakefield; Simon Kingston, General Secretary of SPCK and the Very Revd Archpriest Raphael Armour of the Russian Orthodox Church in Cambridge. The quality of preaching was again excellent; the only preacher who made me at all nervous, and that for rather unique reasons, was retired Methodist Minister, the Revd Richard Plant.

At the beginning of the year a high proportion of the choir left to pursue careers or further study. It was striking that the quality of the choir’s contributions settled quickly at a high level. Key to this is the way in which Andrew Arthur, our Director of Music, succeeds in instilling good habits and pride into the choir and consistently challenges them to exceed their expectations. The Junior Organ Scholar, Charlie Hubbard (TH 2011), is a remarkably gifted musician and, together with Chris Pilgrim (TH 2009), has been the musical backbone to services. Chris leaves Trinity Hall to take up a position as Lay Vicar at Chichester Cathedral which will give him scope to further develop as a professional musician. We will miss not only his organ playing and countertenor singing, but his lively personality.

This year James Crockford (TH 2011), an ordinand from Ridley Hall, has been attached to the Chapel assisting or leading services, including preaching on several occasions. Among his contributions was leading
the Ash Wednesday service which included participation from the choir and the Christian Union (CU).

Jeff Carpenter (TH 2009) and Peter Greenfield (TH 2010) have served as sacristans during the year, and have both given much more of themselves to Chapel life than the role of lighting the candles and putting the books out might suggest. A rota for readers and for those willing to offer prayers of intercession has worked well. Tom Bushnell (TH 2009) completed his second and final year as Treasurer. It is the Treasurer’s job to send to three charities each term – one local, one national and one working overseas – all money taken in collections during the Sunday services. Letters of thanks indicate how greatly this is appreciated. The treasurer also administers the small College fund used to support students from the Hall travelling to undertake voluntary work – typically abroad – during the long vacation.

It is hard to evaluate the success or failure of a worshipping community, unless one settles on some quantitative measure such as attendance or collections. I am struck by the number of anonymous requests for prayer pinned to the board in the ante-chapel by staff, students and visitors. The fact that in an apparently secular context, albeit in a College with a religious name, people seek prayer with confidence that the Chapel community will act on such requests, is a reminder of the Chapel’s role.

The Revd Dr Stephen Plant

From the Library

The Jerwood Library

The Jerwood Library continues to evolve in response to changes in the Tripos. New reading lists come out each year and new subject areas are introduced, so our stock is constantly updated. We strive to respond quickly to student recommendations and we also find responses to the library’s annual survey tremendously helpful in identifying areas where we need to improve our stock. For the last two years our book buying budget has been supplemented by donations received from the Family Fund, and we are very grateful to all our kind donors.

For a number of years now, the Jerwood Library has had an excellent presence in the virtual world. The Jerwood Library’s Facebook page and Twitter account are maintained by the Deputy Librarian, Helen Murphy. They are aimed at communicating the latest library developments in a lively way to our current students but they are also attracting interest
from alumni! We have now added a Jerwood Library blog which replaces our termly newsletter. By the start of the 2012/13 academic year the libraries of Trinity Hall will have an updated presence on the new College website.

We are delighted to report that Helen Murphy has gained a distinction in her MSc (Econ) in Information and Library Studies by distance learning at Aberystwyth University and is now a fully-qualified librarian.

The Old Library

Old Library tours continue to be tremendously popular and during the year we hosted visits for a number of groups and individuals. The feedback we get from these tours is always excellent. The unique atmosphere of the Old Library never fails to weave its magic and people are spell-bound by the manuscripts and rare books on display.

We are particularly grateful to the Supporters of the Old Library and to alumni who have generously sponsored our conservation and cataloguing projects (listed under the Roll of Benefactors on page 41. The project to catalogue the 18th century books online is progressing well and we have added about 750 entries during the year. This project is opening up our collection to scholars, and we report the discoveries we make during cataloguing on the Old Library blog and on the Supporters of the Old Library Facebook page. It is particularly pleasing that our own undergraduates have started to consult Old Library books that they have come across when searching the online catalogue. We are lucky to have such a unique resource on our doorstep!

Dominique Ruhlmann, Director of Library Services

From the Development & Alumni Office

Our summer was shattered by the devastating news of the sudden and unexpected death of Dennis Avery (TH 1980). Dennis Avery’s support of the College and of the University – made either personally, with his wife Sally Wong-Avery, or through his various charitable foundations – was exceptional, earning him the Medal for Outstanding Philanthropy bestowed upon him by the then Chancellor, HRH The Duke of Edinburgh. All those who had the privilege to meet him will miss his beaming smile, his interest in people, his energy and enthusiasm and his love of life. The College will be holding a memorial service for Dennis, details of which will be posted on the website once arrangements are in place. I am sure
that all Trinity Hall alumni, friends and staff, will join me in sending our
deepest condolences to Sally and the Avery family.

It has been an Olympic year for alumni events at Trinity Hall with a
record number of alumni returning to a College event, and it has been
particularly pleasing to welcome alumni who have not previously at-
tended. It started with a stunning exhibition of paintings by Barbara Rae
at the beginning of the academic year and went on to include a wide-
ranging series of stimulating lectures, the Trinity Hall Boat Club Anni-
versary Dinner, and the traditional College Reunion dinners. Added to
these, there has been a series of alumni-led and organised Anniversary
Dinners for groups celebrating their 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 55th and 60th
anniversary since matriculation. The Trinity Hall Association has host-
ed a dinner in Edinburgh and the Cambridge Dinner in College and its
Committee has been hugely supportive throughout the year.

An important event in the year’s calendar was the Year Rep and Volun-
teer Conference and Workshop which took place in April and was particu-
larly productive – a full report of proceedings is found on page 35. It was
the first time our Year Reps and Committee Members had met adopting
the new formula which was discussed in my previous Newsletter article. It
was a great success, full of energy and ideas, and I would like to take this
opportunity to extend a very sincere thank you, on behalf of the Hall, to
all those who attended the meeting, and to all our Trinity Hall Reps in
general. Thank you for your time, energy and support.

Enthusiastic energy was also to be seen in the Trinity Hall Boat Club
Regatta and 185th Anniversary Dinner which took place in April. It was
a fitting tribute to Martin Fordham, Boatman for the last 40 years, that
over 200 returned for the Regatta and 172 were seated for dinner. Phil
Ewels (TH 2008) and the THBC Committee organised a truly astonish-
ing occasion that will be a lasting memory for all those who attended.

Fundraising continues its momentum with support coming from so
many of our alumni and friends whose gifts do so much to have impact on
the fabric of the College and transform the lives of those who study and
research here. Thank you. Our Telephone Campaign, now in its seventh
year, exceeded all expectations, raising a phenomenal £335,460. It was our
best ever, and I would like to thank not only our team of student callers
and Rachelle Stretch (who runs the Campaign), but also the many alumni
who have participated in the Telethons over the years. Collectively, you
have raised over £1.3 million – a terrific achievement.

A project that has been supported by the Telephone Campaign and
other individuals has been the staircase refurbishment programme. P
was the first to be refurbished, and G staircase is now complete. The
fabulous views gained across the rooftops of Trinity Hall and Clare towards the University Library to the west, and the intricate stonework of Old Schools to the east are now matched by well decorated, well-appointed rooms with modern bathrooms and kitchens. These are essential capital projects and the Bursar, in his article on page 15, has mentioned St Clement’s Gardens, a 1920s terrace in which some 55 Trinity Hall students reside. The College is currently considering how best to modernise this popular student accommodation with a preferred option of a complete rebuild. This is not without difficulty, as the site sits in the historic centre of Cambridge. As such discussions with the City Planners are likely to be rigorous and complicated. However, if we were to be successful in our bid to rebuild, a new building in the heart of Cambridge would be a real asset for the College, not only giving our students outstanding accommodation, but also a draw for summer conference business. The development of this site will not be possible without the support of benefaction, and we are particularly grateful to a benefactor for their offer of funding which has given us the confidence to proceed with the project.

I hope that the recent issue of Milestones gave everyone insight into the fundraising achievements, challenges and aspirations of the College, and also put into context Trinity Hall’s contribution to the University’s 800th Campaign. Milestones is the continuous narrative of our fundraising activities, and in future, it will contain the list of donors from each financial year. Therefore, this is the last year that the listing of donors will be featured in the Newsletter.

Not only has it been a year of events and fundraising, but it has been a year of review of our website. When you go to www.trinhall.cam.ac.uk, you will discover a new website. Indeed, much of the content of the Newsletter will now be posted on the website so that it is timely and topical, and there will be seasonal updates of the activities of our clubs and societies on a termly basis. We welcome feedback, so please do send us ideas and suggestions for the website and our publications in general. The website through THalumni.net also provides the forum for our career network. We are so grateful to our alumni who have supported our career network, offering advice to students and in some circumstances being able to offer work experience and internships. The feedback from our resident students on this service is very positive and appreciative. If you would be able to help, please contact careers@trinhall.cam.ac.uk

It would be impossible not to mention our Olympic participants: congratulations to Tom James (TH 2002), gold medal winner in the Men’s IV having won the gold for the same event in Beijing; to Emma Pooley...
(TH 2001), whose strategic approach led to her fellow team member winning silver in the Women’s Road Race; and to Adam Brown (son of our Porter, Kim Brown), who gave us such excitement in the pool. We should also acknowledge Dr William O’Reilly (Fellow in History), who volunteered and was given the position of Control and Command at the Horse Guards Parade events. The Olympics were an inspiration reminding us that it is dedication and hardwork – as well as genuine talent – that makes an athlete great. To complete the Olympic analogy, I would personally like to thank not only my colleagues in the Development and Alumni Office, but also the staff throughout the entire College. Their dedication in organising events and publications of the highest quality whether in College or elsewhere is the very heart that nurtures and sustains the strong Trinity Hall community: a community we all feel so proud and privileged to be part of.

We look forward to meeting you at future College occasions, and we thank you for all your support and interest in the future of the Hall.

Jocelyn Poulton, Development Director

Contact Report

Year Rep and Volunteers Conference held at Trinity Hall on Sunday 15 April 2012

A gathering of Year Reps, Regional Reps, and members of various alumni committees took place on Sunday 15 April 2012.

1. Conference Workshop

The Development and Alumni Office team presented on various aspects of development and alumni relations:

a) Fundraising

An overview of Trinity Hall’s fundraising contribution to the University’s 800th Anniversary Campaign (1 July 2001 to 30 June 2011) was presented. Over £1.17 billion had been raised during the Campaign, with over £437 million raised by the colleges of which Trinity Hall had contributed over £18 million. This placed the Hall in the top 10 fundraising Colleges of Collegiate Cambridge.

There was a discussion on annual giving rate which had increased from 3.5% to 14% over the 10 years. Of particular note was the 1958 year,
which had a participation rate of just under 50% thanks to the Year Gift initiative introduced by Year Rep Peter Hill and others.

Attention was drawn to the 1350 Society which recognised those who gave regularly over a three-year period.

General comment from the floor was enthusiastic to the anniversary year giving. As long as it was not a pre-requisite of an anniversary event, the Year Reps were enthusiastic to respond. It was also essential that those benefiting from year gifts were in financial need. The idea of an anniversary donating year meeting the recipient year was warmly welcomed.

It was suggested that if Trinity Hall Reps could add their names to the Roll of Benefactors it would be a strong endorsement of the College’s fundraising ambitions. It was noted that telephone callers were proud to add their name to the Roll of Benefactors and they themselves had commented that it added empowerment to the core message of their calls to alumni.

b) Events

The Events Officer informed the conference of the raft of College events that were organised in addition to the usual College Reunions. Particular attention was drawn to the Exhibition Programme, Concert Recitals and topical Forum meetings.

There was much interest from those present in these open events, and encouragement to organise more subject-related reunions. Engineering and Theatre were mentioned specifically. Overall there was much enthusiasm for these open events which raised the profile of the College.

A listing of events for 2012/13 was presented.

c) Communications

i. E-newsletters and Social Media
The College endeavours to send e-newsletters on a termly basis and sought ideas from the floor as to content. It was reported that Trinity Hall had Facebook, Twitter, and a LinkedIn presence and would be actively engaging in social media in the future.

ii. Website
The meeting was informed of an overview and refreshing of the College website. There was enthusiasm for this review, and it was suggested that a focus group be established to seek advice and opinion as to what to include in the alumni pages.
Comments from the floor included:
- Recognising that the website’s main audience is for Admissions.
- Awareness of Trinity Hall alumni in influential roles.
- Highlighting our strengths and traditions, eg Law – there was strong comment on the reduction in the Law intake.
- Obituaries.
- Bringing an audience into the site from various social media sites and from the e-newsletter.
- Online communications are likely to be the future: more topical and relevant to the moment. However, there was strong recommendation that printed material remained essential and it was noted that Trinity Hall publications are frequently “mentioned in dispatches”.
- There was a discussion on the Trinity Hall alumni online webpages, and the group was informed that this online community and webpages would be the focus of next year’s Year Rep and Volunteers conference.

iii. Useful information for Trinity Hall Reps on the Website

Ideas for the website were sought:
- Events – schedule, and how to organise
- Dining Rights
- How to Book Rooms
- Regional Events
- Lost List
- Guest Lists for Events
- Best practice session – including Year Gifts and other ideas
- Links to useful associations, such as the Oxford & Cambridge Club

d) Best Practice Session


Colin Hayes had prepared a checklist of useful things to consider and a timeline; Andrew Medlicott talked of some of the practicalities; for example, rather than organising a tour of the Botanical Gardens, offer it as something people might like to do, but arrange a central location for a post-visit lunch.

Both Colin and Andrew praised the Alumni Office, without whose help and advice such occasions would not happen.

The meeting adjourned for lunch.
2. Cambridge Alumni Relations Office (CARO) – a presentation on benefits extended to Cambridge Alumni

Morven Knowles gave a brief presentation highlighting the benefits and privileges offered to Cambridge alumni. These included the CAMCard, CAM Magazine and the University Travel Programme.

3. Fees, Finances and Admissions

A presentation was given by Dr Clare Jackson on Admissions and Outreach. A panel discussion ensued with the Master, Bursar and Admissions Tutor taking questions from the floor.

A synopsis of the Admissions presentation is included in the summer 2012 edition of Milestones magazine, as is the Bursar’s Report and comment on the fees landscape by the Master.

Issues raised included:
• There was an interest in the growth of undergraduate and/or graduate numbers.
• The objectivity or neutrality of the Admissions process was questioned.
• There was concern about recruitment of young academics.
• It was recognised that a strong Endowment was essential for a college to remain independent.

The conference was impressed and satisfied by the answers given in the discussion.

4. Date of Next Meeting

The meeting concluded and, subsequent to the meeting, the date for the next Trinity Hall Year Reps and Volunteer Conference and Workshop has been suggested for Saturday 29 June 2013. This is the day of the 1350 Garden Party, which is for those making a regular gift for at least three years with a minimum value of £13.50 per annum. Year Reps will be invited to the 1350 Garden Party.

Jocelyn Poulton
Donating to Trinity Hall

Trinity Hall has benefited from and relied on the generosity and support of our members and friends since our foundation. The current uncertainty and volatility of the markets internationally, together with the impact of higher fees and reduced Government funding, are increasing the pressure on our Endowment, making our operational costs harder to meet. We are immensely grateful to our many current and past benefactors who collectively have supported numerous projects which have enhanced and improved the resources and facilities of the College.

Ways of Giving

It is possible to give to the College in a variety of ways, including regularly by direct debit, standing order or PAYE; or one-off payments by cash, credit card or by charity vouchers. You can make gifts to the College online via our website: www.trinhall.cam.ac.uk/onlinegiving. Gifts may be given to the Annual Fund, Capital Projects (currently the Staircase Refurbishment Programme) or the Endowment.

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Legacies also offer tax advantages by being free from Inheritance and Capital Gains Taxes and may thus reduce the tax liability of an estate. A legacy brochure is available and we have established the Nathanael Lloyd Society to recognise and thank all those who have remembered the College in their Will.
Telephone Campaign

The next Telephone Campaign will be held in April 2013. Please note that we do not call anyone without writing to them first; if you prefer not to be called, please respond to the letter we send before calling starts. If you have any questions about the Telephone Campaign or the Annual Fund, please contact Dr Rachelle Stretch in the Development Office (email: gifts@trinhall.cam.ac.uk).

Making a Gift

All donations of whatever size make a real difference to the College. A gift form is included at the end of this Newsletter.

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You can make a gift online via our website www.trinhall.cam.ac.uk/supporters, where you will find more information about our fundraising achievements and aspirations, along with details of tax-efficient giving from several different countries. Click on the online giving button or follow the links to Gift Forms. The annual Milestones magazine continues to present a review of our fundraising efforts and provides an update on current and future initiatives. Past issues are available online at www.trinhall.cam.ac.uk/alumni/publications

Thank you!

Over a third of alumni have made a gift to the College since the Millennium; we are very grateful to everyone who has supported the College, enabling us to preserve our excellent standards of teaching and pastoral care.

More Information

If you have any questions or queries, please contact Jocelyn Poulton or Dr Rachelle Stretch who would be delighted to take your call, or arrange a meeting, tel +44 (0)1223 332563.

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1 July 2011 – 30 June 2012

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This list suggests the Games have got more political over time, certainly more political during the second half of their century-plus existence, and particularly at the height of the Cold War. It is also striking that London does not feature – neither 1908 nor 1948 looms large in memories of political Olympic Games. Taken together, this suggests that if London is to feature in such lists, it will be for 2012. Not hard to imagine the circumstances – it could be a political gesture (a Chinese athlete with a Tibetan flag?), it could be a boycott (eg if Britain/US/EU are locked in a trade war with China), though that seems unlikely; more likely I’m afraid is an act of terrorism.

I don’t want to speculate in this lecture about what might happen in 2012 – we’ll have to wait and see. Instead I want to argue that the list I’ve just given you is misleading, if it implies that London 1908 and 1948 weren’t political. They were, like all Olympics. Indeed, looking at the three London Games can suggest a very different conclusion from the one given above – the Games have been progressively de-politicised. What I mean by that is that the nature of the relationship between sport
and politics has changed. The 1908 Games were political because the whole idea of sport itself, and particularly international sport, was political. Sport aspired to the level of politics, and that was without the involvement of any politicians – sport politicised itself. In 1948 we see that relationship start to change, as sport appears as a possible antidote to politics, a distraction from rather than an expression of political anxieties, with politicians, nervous and very cost-conscious, tentatively trying to reap the benefits. And 2012? Well, my feeling is that we’ve now reached the point where the relation has been inverted, and politics has been reduced to the level of sport, with the sports authorities in the lead, and the politicians, desperate to be involved regardless of the costs, left trailing in their wake.

But that’s rather abstract – for the rest of this lecture let me try to illustrate what I mean by looking at the role that politics played in the 1908 and 1948 Games, before coming back to 2012. The first thing to say about the 1908 Games is that they only happened where they did as the result of a political event. That event was the Entente Cordiale between Britain and France, completed in 1904, which did much to shape the future course of 20th century politics. To celebrate this happy event, the émigré Hungarian entrepreneur Imre Kiralfy decided to host a giant exhibition, and to that end he built a miniature city in West London to house it. This was the White City, and the Franco-British Exhibition was held there from May to October 1908. Kiralfy crammed everything he could into the exhibition, from imitation Irish villages to the Palace of Music to an early version of the London Eye, the Flip-Flap, which offered panoramic views over Shepherd’s Bush and Wormwood Scrubs.

Kiralfy also built, at the request of the British Olympic Association (BOA), a stadium to host the Games, paid for (at a cost of £60,000) by the Exhibition company, who would take 75% of gate receipts. London had got the Games at short notice when Rome pulled out, and the Chairman of the Olympic Association, Lord Desborough, originally hoped that a tame millionaire would fund the Games (as had happened at Athens in 1896), but the best offer he got came from Kiralfy, a not-so-tame millionaire. What was absolutely clear was that asking for government assistance was out of the question. As Desborough said in a speech at one of the banquets held to celebrate the Games: ‘It is a well-known and generally accepted maxim of English life that undertakings such as these should be carried out by private enterprise, and without help of any sort from the government.’ Tax-payers couldn’t be expected to contribute a penny towards the cost of the Games, but private individuals, including members of parliament (30 of whom contributed £30), sports clubs, newspapers and others were
all asked to send in whatever they could to defray travel, accommodation and entertainment costs. The rest would have to be covered by ticket sales.

The stadium could seat 68,000 with room for 28,000 more standing spectators. Kiralfy also said that if demand for the opening ceremony was overwhelming he could squeeze an extra 20,000 round the track. Demand was not overwhelming. If you look at photos of the 1908 Games, there is almost no one there. On the opening day the stadium was about half full, with most people crammed around the royal box, to see the King and the Queen. There were no senior British politicians there, though there were plenty of foreign dignitaries, including the American Ambassador, the Prime Minister of Nepal, the Crown Prince of Sweden, and Pierre de Coubertin, the originator of the modern Olympic movement. Just not many ordinary fans.

Things got worse during the first week. Attendances dropped to below 10,000, and on one day to below 4,000. This was partly due to the weather, which was bad. It was also because ticket prices were too high – a pound (nearly £100 today) for a good seat, two shillings just to stand. But there was also something else going on – a real uncertainty about what the role of the crowd was at events like this. This was the age of deep social and political anxiety about ‘the crowd’, including the sports crowd. I want to give one illustration, from a book written and published in 1909, C F G Masterman’s *The Condition of England* (Masterman was a liberal politician and close friend of Churchill and Lloyd George). In it, he doesn’t write about the Olympics but he does write about another sporting event of 1908, the Cup Final, which took place at the end of April between Wolves and Newcastle United at the old Crystal Palace, attended by 75,000 people. This is what Masterman says about the Cup Final crowd: ‘A crowd of adult citizens in number some five times as great as the total Boer commandoes which had defended a country half the size of Europe … The irresistible query suggested by the sight of that congestion of grey, small people with their facile excitements and their little white faces influenced by this artificial interest is whether in a day of trial similar resources [to the Boers] could be drawn from them, of tenacity, courage, and an unvarying devotion to an impersonal ideal.’

It is a striking and poignant passage given what was to happen six years later in August 1914. It’s also a curious inversion of one of the best known later images of August 1914, from Larkin, who wrote of: ‘Those long, uneven lines/Standing as patiently/As if they were stretched outside/The Oval or Villa Park … Never such innocence again’. Larkin saw photos of the men waiting to join up and imagined the crowds outside Villa Park;
Masterman saw photos (we have to assume he wasn’t there) of the crowds outside Crystal Palace and thought of how different the Boers were.

There is nothing as direct as this in the thoughts of the organisers of the 1908 Games (Masterman had been reading Nietzsche, which Desborough almost certainly hadn’t), but there are echoes of it. Desborough in his valedictory remarks about the Games emphasised that sport had two purposes: ‘athletic’ and ‘social’. But by social he did not mean the comradeship of the spectators. He meant the comradeship of the sports club and particularly the people who gave their time and money to putting on events. The Olympics he said offered a chance for people to participate by making donations. He made no mention of spectators.

It is also reflected in the fiasco of the prices, which had been set not according to ticketing for mass sports events like the Cup Final, but at rates comparable to the Horse Show and the Military Tournament. The other template was the Eton-Harrow match at Lords, where prices were kept deliberately high to ensure that ordinary spectators did not get in the way of the sport’s primary social function, which was as a meeting place for the elite. And lest we forget, the Games themselves were established by Coubertin as a consequence of his anxieties about the state of French manhood in the aftermath of the Franco-Prussian war, and what he saw as the role of British public school sports in physically preparing the nation. We think of his motto today as emphasising ‘not the winning but the taking part’, but just as important for Coubertin and Desborough was ‘the taking part not the spectating’ – and for want of a better word, that was a political imperative.

Still, the Games organisers were torn. The absence of crowds was a problem, since they needed the revenue. Kiralfy was alright – the Franco-British exhibition as a whole was a huge success, attracting 8.4 million visitors (compared to the 6 million for the Great Exhibition in 1851 and the 6.5 million for the Millenium Dome in 2000). But he didn’t like being associated with failure – he lowered prices for the stadium, and he turned to his primary ally in promoting his exhibition, the Daily Mail, which had sponsored one of the pavilions, where visitors could watch the paper being printed. The Mail had no problem with the idea of spectator sports – indeed, its entire ethos, then as now, was to turn all life into a spectator sport, including war, celebrity, fashion, family breakdown and, of course, sport. So the Mail chivvied its readers to attend, and glossed the Olympic spirit by claiming that watching was one of the ways of taking part: if crowds did not pick up, the paper wrote, ‘the foreign Press would go to their homes with the news that the British race is showing strong signs of deterioration … that we are decadent alike in sporting instincts and in physical endowments.’
The crowds did pick up, and by the end of the second week the stadium was full.

This sort of celebration of ‘the spectator’ or ‘the fan’ deeply worried Masterman. He thought Britain already had a well-established form of spectator sport, which needed to be protected from these intrusions – it was called democracy. How could democracy compete with mass spectator sport promoted by the newspapers? ‘Political activity in England, which is largely a great game, played with good humour and the elements of uncertainty … for the majority does not count at all in comparison with these more obvious excitements.’ Masterman believed that if politics had to compete with sport for the attention of the crowd, politics would be the loser. I will come back to that. His other concern was that the Games represented the Americanisation of British life. He thought that the Americans, ‘always more determined and fearless in pushing the new development to a logical conclusion’, had opened up a new gap between the crowd and the participant. This was through the idea of ‘training’, so that athletes are special, different, an elite, and the rest of us just watch. His symbol of this, bizarrely, was spring training for professional baseball, where he was horrified to discover that fans gather to watch their heroes practise. He called this ‘gladiatorial’, and thought it a clear sign of deep decadence.

These anxieties about the difference between British and American attitudes to sport run through the 1908 Games, and were its central political controversy. As always when Britain and the US fallout, each side is primarily outraged by the hypocrisy of the other (this goes back to the War of Independence, when the British thought the Americans were outrageous hypocrites for celebrating freedom while embracing slavery, and the Americans thought the British were even more outrageous hypocrites for pretending to care about slavery when they were the ones driving the slave trade). In 1908, the Americans were disgusted by the British pretending to believe in fair-play, when it was clear British judges were biased in favour of their own athletes. The British were disgusted by the sight of Americans as sticklers for amateurism, when it was clear their athletes were being trained and looked after as though they were professional. The Secretary of the US Olympic Committee, who came over in 1908 as Head of the US team, was James E Sullivan, a seasoned promoter of the idea of amateur sport. He was also a popular journalist and a regular contributor to Spalding’s Athletic Library, which sold millions of guides teaching Americans how to train for their favourite sports, and helped build a business empire in the process. He made money out of amateurism, which horrified the British. But he thought the British were merely pretending to be good sports, which in his eyes was worse.
These Anglo-American misunderstandings overshadowed the Games. The British judges disqualified an American runner from the 400 metres, leading the other American runners to pull out, and leaving the British winner to run round the track on his own to collect his gold medal. The American tug-of-war team lost to a team of Liverpool policemen, who wore their steel-capped police boots, which sank in the mud, making them immoveable. The Americans were furious. The British had been even more furious at the opening ceremony, when the American team failed to dip their flag to the King at the conclusion of the parade. (Subsequently it was reported that one of the American athletes uttered the gruesomely sanctimonious line: ‘This flag dips to no earthly king’, but that’s probably apocryphal.)

Anglo-American rivalry also overshadowed the one great event of these Games, the marathon. By the time this was run at the end of the second week, the stadium was full to bursting. The Mail had hired Arthur Conan Doyle as its special correspondent, and he was writing rapturously about the thrill of these huge crowds, which for the marathon left 30,000 locked outside. Crowds also lined the route in hundreds of thousands as the runners made their way from Windsor to West London. This was a more familiar sporting event, like the Tour de France (started in 1903) or the Derby, where anyone could watch and the line between spectating and participating was blurred. The British press handicapped the race like the Derby, and worried about the ability of British runners to compete with the well-trained Americans.

But they paid little attention to the Italian runner Dorando, who entered the stadium first. It was a warm day and Dorando, exhausted, collapsed in a kind of delirium after trying to run the wrong way round the track. He was helped to his feet by British officials and half pushed, half guided over the line, giving the 1908 Games their defining image, whereupon he collapsed. The Americans, whose runner came in second, were appalled by this obvious discrimination, protested, and had Dorando disqualified and the American runner Hayes promoted to winner. For the Americans this was another example of attempted British duplicity. For the British, Dorando was the moral victor: it was triumph of the plucky underdog against the overweening Yanks. They also turned it into a celebration of monarchy. The official BOA report of the Games notes that when Dorando collapsed, ‘it was impossible to leave him there, for it looked like he might die in the very presence of the Queen’. Then, after his race was run, ‘Dorando lay hovering between life and death for two hours and a half. The tidings that Her Majesty had given him a Gold Cup, as a token of her gracious sympathy with the courage he had shown, was the first thing that turned the tide in the Italian’s favour.’
Above all, the British and the Americans were divided, as so often, over the question of Ireland. The BOA had decided that Irish athletes would have to compete under the British flag, which also allowed the Russians to insist that Finland, then part of the Russian empire, compete under the Russian flag. The Irish were outraged, the Finns were outraged, and the Americans were outraged. After the Games were over, Desborough announced that one of their successes had been the way they had persuaded lesser nations to set aside their ‘little local difficulties’. He went on: ‘When we came to the stadium we had to select one team representing the British Isles to meet the rest of the world. I think I may also say that the same thing held good of the United States of America. I believe that in Chicago they very often did not think much of the athletes of New York or San Francisco, and the athletes of New York and San Francisco thought equally little of the athletes of Chicago. But when that splendid American team went on board ship and sailed for England they found they were setting aside their local jealousies, and were representing the United States as a whole for the first time. Now I think that is something to have been able to achieve.’

Even by the standards of these Games, this was pretty sanctimonious and disingenuous. In fact, one of the few things that brought the predominantly Irish-American (and Sullivan was also Irish-American) team together was their distaste for the way the British had treated their own Irish athletes. But Desborough, who had been a Liberal MP before breaking with Gladstone over Home Rule and joining the Tories, was having none of it. He was determined that the Games should represent a triumph for the British conception of an international sports gathering of this kind: patrician but participatory; private but deeply political. As a result, the 1908 Games were shot through with political tensions and anxieties, all of which was achieved without the involvement of any actual politicians whatsoever. The sporting authorities managed to create all the political conflict by themselves, without any involvement by politicians. The only politician who did get involved, and only after the event, was President Theodore Roosevelt, who invited the US team to his summer house at Oyster Bay for a celebration. Roosevelt was to many Americans the ideal of the amateur sportsman: big, boisterous, competitive, believing in training and efficiency. This was not what the British meant by amateurism, although they too wanted to win. The gossip magazine The Bystander, shortly after the Games were concluded, drew the obvious lesson: ‘More bad blood was caused between otherwise friendly nations by the late Olympic Games than by all the diplomatic incidents in the last ten years together … The only consolation is that, for some reason or other, we do not seem to have fallen foul of Germany.’
Falling foul of the Germans meant the political climate of the 1948 Games was clearly very different from 1908, for reasons I don’t need to spell out. So let me start with some similarities between 1948 and 1908. The BOA still understood that it was politically inconceivable that they should ask for any direct tax-payer subsidy to cover the cost of the Games. The government did not put up a penny directly. At one meeting of the BOA in 1947 it was suggested that a request be made for a surcharge on a special set of Olympic stamps, allowing the public to contribute in that way. The Chairman of the Organising Committee, Lord Burghley, rejected the idea on the grounds that it was ‘against British principles’. Eventually a commemorative set of stamps was produced at regular prices. Even then the BOA had to reassure the Postmaster General that this did not constitute the use of government resources for advertising purposes (they did this by assuring him that all tickets had been sold before the stamps would be issued). Heaven forbid that the government should be seen to be advertising the Olympic Games.

The Games were still cheap. In fact, one of the remarkable things about 1948 was how costs were kept down to a level comparable to 40 years earlier. In 1908 there were around 2,000 competitors (of whom nearly 40 were women) and the Games cost around £90,000. In 1948 the number of competitors had doubled (and the number of women increased tenfold) and the costs risen to around £780,000. But if you translate into today’s money that still works out for both at around £5,000 per competitor (for comparison, 2012 at current estimates will cost £720,000 per competitor). The 1948 Games, relying to a large extent on ticket sales, even managed to turn a small profit, on which the organisers paid £9,000 tax.

There was government involvement, however. Philip Noel-Baker, Minister for Commonwealth Affairs, was made Olympics Liaison – no title, and no staff, just the man to contact. His papers are at Churchill College – around seven folders for the whole Games, and it all went through him; negotiations about costs, training for athletes, BBC, promotion, etc. He had to deal with various government departments who saw little or no point to the Games. Transport didn’t see why they should cough up to refurbish Wembley Park (the only infrastructure project proposed) – if it was good enough for the tens of thousands who came for greyhound racing, it was good enough for the Games, unless foreigners were different and required ‘prestige’ treatment. The government’s main contribution was to offer old army camps – no question of an Olympic village – for athletes to stay, at places like Uxbridge and Richmond. The BOA thought the government might refurbish these at their own expense, since they would reap the ultimate benefit from the updated facilities when they
were returned to the armed forces. But no – government would only pay for improvements that were not specifically for the Games. So, for instance, they wouldn’t pay for separate kitchens for the different teams (needed because the Yugoslavs were said to cook all their food in olive oil, and so couldn’t possibly share with Northern Europeans). The BOA had to pay for partitioning of the dormitories into separate rooms, for the creating of communal facilities, for wear and tear, for breakages, for all equipment, including towels (which the BOA decided it couldn’t afford – in the end, athletes had to bring their own, and for those who forgot, a small number of towels were available to rent by the day). The BOA thought they might get all this for £50,000. The final bill from the government was £92,000.

Still, though, the government was keen for the Games to happen in London. There was a wobble in the autumn of 1947, following the convertibility crisis and run on the pound, when the Beaverbrook press started to demand the Games be called off. The Evening Standard wrote in a leader: ‘Sane opinion will marvel at the colossal thickness of hide which permits its owners, at this time of crisis in the nation’s serious affairs, to indulge in grandiose and luxurious schemes for an international weightlifting and basketball jamboree.’ This leader panicked the BOA, whose Chair, Lord Portal, wrote to ministers asking if they should call the Games off. ‘Absolutely not’ came the reply from Deputy Prime Minister Herbert Morrison via Noel-Baker.

The government wanted the Games for two reasons. First, to bring in foreign currency and tourism (hence the poster, which could be political but isn’t – Big Ben was simply the best-known symbol of London). The stamps were issued to bring in foreign currency when visitors bought them as souvenirs. The BOA were encouraged to issue tickets to hard currency countries like the US and Scandinavia rather than the bankrupt states of mainland Europe – in the end, two-thirds of press passes went to journalists who might spend dollars, though this was kept secret, because of the resentment that it would cause. Second, to combat the impression Britain was in decline, which would be achieved by putting on a successful Games with a minimum of fuss.

What counted as success? First, big crowds, which were there from the opening ceremony, where Coubertin’s motto was writ large. They were still there at the close. The weather helped: the opening ceremony took place on one of the hottest days in London for nearly 40 years, 95°F. But even when it rained the stadium was packed to the rafters. What also helped was the changed attitude to crowds. The Berlin Games had tested to destruction the idea that spectating was a kind of participation. Now
the gentleness of the crowds, and their relative detachment from the athletics was a bonus. All observers remarked on the jollity of the Olympic crowds, in their pastel shades and improvised sunhats, friendly, non-partisan, absolutely nothing like the Nazis. Uncomfortable memories of the Berlin Games also helped deal with another anxiety, which was the underperformance of the British team in London, where it won only three golds. Though some in the press claimed this was demoralising, and a clear sign of undernourishment, Noel-Baker put a different gloss on it. He liked in his various speeches at the end of the Games to repeat the story of a Swiss visitor who told him that at the Berlin Games he had heard either Deutschland Über Alles or the Horst Wessel song played 497 times, whereas at the London Games the British national anthem was only heard five times, once at the beginning, once at the end, and three times in between. Sensible, un-histrionic failure, after Berlin, was taken as a mark of success.

These Games also marked an important shift in the role of the crowd in making sport a participatory experience. These were the first Games to be televised, by the BBC, and this was a huge success. Though numbers who watched were obviously limited (there were around 100,000 sets by the end of 1948) demand from those who had them for Olympic coverage was high, and the BBC scrapped its usual schedule to add extra hours, totaling 56 by the end of the Games. It was clear that the full stadiums made a huge difference to the appeal of the Games on television. The non-crowds at home needed the crowds in the stadium to help them feel involved. What Masterman had called the grey, small people with their facile excitements became the bridge between the athletes and the public spectating from their homes.

The great political success of the 1948 Games, however, lay in the fact that they were so non-political. There was no single event, no symbolic gesture, no controversy, no bust-up for which the Games are remembered. There is no image that sums up London 1948. There are names that live on – Fanny Blankers-Koen, Emile Zatopek – but no incidents. Nothing happened in that sense. This was a surprise. After all, it was an extremely dangerous time in world affairs, probably the most politically charged circumstances in which any Olympics have taken place, Berlin 1936 notwithstanding. The first half of 1948 saw the assassination of Gandhi following the partition of India, the birth of Israel and the Arab-Israeli War, the launch of the Marshall Plan and the Berlin Blockade, armed conflicts in Indonesia and Malaysia, a peacetime draft in the US, and elections in Italy that the communists might have won. Before the Games started, Harold Abrahams (of Chariots of Fire fame and the grand
old man of British athletics) wrote that there were bound to be interna-
tional incidents overshadowing the Games, as at all other Games,
and these must just be ignored. A young James Cameron, writing in the
Daily Express in February 1948, said of the Olympics that ‘they now rank a
close second to the United Nations as promoters of international misunder-
standing and ill-will.’

That they were both wrong was not just luck. The Games were de-
signed to be non-political. There was no German team – the Germans
weren’t invited, on the grounds that de-Nazification had not reached the
point where they could be allowed to form an Olympic committee. Same
applied to the Japanese, who also were not there. This is in contrast to the
Antwerp Games of 1920, when the organisers had hoped the Germans
might attend, but the Germans themselves had no desire to take part in
such a bogus festival of international co-operation. This time, the Ger-
mans wanted to come, but the IOC wouldn’t let them. There was no So-
viet team in 1948 either. The Games might have welcomed them but Sta-
lin wasn’t sure what was in it for him – it was only after the Games had
begun that he changed his mind and only in December 1948 that the So-
viet politburo changed its policy to promote the idea of using sport as a
weapon of world dominance (at Helsinki in 1952 the Russians would
send a team that won 22 golds). There was no Palestinian team at London
1948, but also no Israeli team, on the grounds that the state of Israel had
been formed too recently to have a recognised Olympic association.

So the 1948 Games were a showcase for a different kind of British
vision of the role of international sport: as something deliberately kept
neutral, jolly, pragmatic, low-key, non-controversial, a spectacle of ordi-
inariness. It was sport as a kind of escape from politics, an extension of
the British keep-calm-and-carry-on mentality, which was itself of course
just another political contrivance. A certain passivity was to be encour-
aged, though this was far removed from the original Olympic spirit. The
British politicians, though mainly hands-off, were involved enough to
know that all this suited them fine. Unlike in 1908, the Prime Minister,
Attlee, was there at the opening ceremony, doing his bit, even his
Foreign Secretary, Bevin, was in the Commons making a statement on
the Berlin crisis.

The 1948 Games also marked a break with the past in one final sense.
These were the last Games when medals were awarded for art in poetry,
painting, music, sculpture and so on. The idea had been to produce works
that celebrated the Olympic spirit and were on a sporting theme: so im-
ages of healthy bodies, competition, vitality etc. The trouble was, as the
Olympic art show of 1936 showed, this all too easily blurred into the sort
of art admired by Fascists. The Berlin show of 1936, in which all the gold medals were won either by German, Austrian or Italian artists (with a couple of Swiss exceptions), was a bit close for comfort to the celebration of German art the Nazis organised in 1937 to set against their infamous decadent art show running alongside. So in London the art had somehow to be on a sporting theme but nicer than in Berlin. The results were fairly ghastly. As one critic said of the Olympic show at the V&As, it was simply a celebration of mediocrity.

The art competition didn’t make sense any more. It had been a celebration of all-round participation, and a nod to the classical Olympic ideal. But by 1948, the choices seemed to be pseudo-fascist celebrations of amateur sport, or horribly amateurish celebrations of pseudo-sport. There had been some hope that Churchill might enter one of his watercolours, but it never happened (so Churchill never joined the select group of people to win Olympic medals and Nobel prizes: Nils Bohr and Philip Noel-Baker). Malcolm Sargent was drafted in to help judge the music competition, and decided no medals should be awarded at all. By 1952 the art competition had been abolished, and from then on the Olympics would simply have cultural celebrations alongside the main sporting events. Artistic competition had been part of Coubertin’s original vision for the Games, part of his vision of embracing the full range of human competitive instincts and channelling them in positive ways. It was, in that sense as in many others, a political vision. After 1948 (really after 1936) it was clear that that had all been a pipe-dream. Sport was going to have to trump politics.

So on to London 2012. There won’t be gold medals for art. As of now, I don’t think anyone knows what the cultural Olympiad will involve and how it will be paid for. But though no clear plans have emerged we are assured it has not been cut for reasons of cost.

What do we know about what will happen? To be sure, like in 1948 and unlike in 1908, the Prime Minister will be at the opening ceremony. But so no doubt will the Foreign Secretary and half the cabinet, along with the shadow cabinet, the Lib Dem front bench, the Mayor of London, all prospective future mayors of London, members of the GLA, and everyone else who thinks they can’t afford to be somewhere else. The Olympics will be awash with politicians. It will also be heavily overseen by politicians, who have been deeply involved in planning, and costing, and organising, and delivery, and will be held responsible if something goes wrong, at least until they can find a suitable scapegoat. In 1948, as far as I can tell, Clement Attlee, apart from attending the opening ceremony, had little or nothing to do with the Games – he left it all up to his Minister for
Commonwealth Affairs, who found that different departments were quite capable of acting entirely independently when it came to offering support, or not, as the case may be. The 1948 Games feels a world away, if only for the total lack of co-ordination across government departments – the Treasury was a law unto itself. In 2003 a Commons Select Committee recommended that London 2012 needed the Minister for Culture, Media and Sport to link up directly with the Prime Minister’s office to take overall charge, to ensure full coordinated communication across departments, including the Treasury; on top of that the Foreign Secretary needed to chair an ad-hoc Olympic committee to bring in other stakeholders. And that wasn’t for the Games themselves – that was just to prepare for the bid.

But does that mean London 2012 is going to be more political than London 1908 or 1948? In one sense yes, as measured by the involvement of politicians. But in another sense, these Games reflect the changing balance between sport and politics in the public imagination, and in the behaviour of the politicians themselves. Masterman said that when politics has to compete with sport for the attention of the crowd, sport wins. London 2012 reflects that – its political aspects look more like sport than its sporting aspects look like politics. Take the bid itself, to which Tony Blair’s government committed so much time, money and personal capital. There was little or no political opposition to this commitment, or even questioning of whether it was worth it. Instead, the whole thing was treated as a competition, in which it was the winning not the taking part that counted. The moment of the announcement was chosen by BBC Radio 5 Live as one of its sports moments of the decade. But it wasn’t a sports moment – it was the decision of one political body – the IOC – in response to pressure from other political bodies, including the British government. Yet we treat it as sport, as we treat so much politics as sport, because it’s more fun that way, and it grabs the crowd’s attention. The 2008 American presidential campaign, and its coverage, makes more sense as a sports event than as politics – as the writer and social commentator Kurt Andersen put it, he had never known what it was to feel the thrill of the sports fan, until he started following Obama. That Obama’s first major rebuff was at the hands of the IOC in Copenhagen, where he flew to promote Chicago’s bid for 2016, only adds to the irony. It appears that one thing politics dressed up as sport can’t deal with is sport dressed up as politics.

Of course, part of the reason there was so little political opposition to the 2012 bid is that the process demands it. One of the things the IOC is looking for is unanimity of political and public opinion. This is from the official bid document:
‘Support is unanimous among the major parties at both national and city level. The governing Labour Party said: “The whole government has backed this bid … (and) everyone, from the Prime Minister down, will be working hard to make it happen.” The opposition Conservative Party said: “We strongly believe that a London Olympic Games will bring incalculable benefits to this country in terms of investment, tourism, regeneration and, most of all, British sport.”

There were no bids as such in 1908 and 1948 – in 1908 London got the Games by default when Rome pulled out, and in 1948 London got the Games because no one else had a greater moral claim. This was still a deeply political decision by the IOC – there were many other cities than London (particularly in Scandinavia and the United States) who would happily have hosted the Games, with better facilities, more money, more food – but the political symbolism of London in 1948 was untouchable.

But it’s the scale of London 2012 that makes it different – what is involved politically to get the Games and to deliver them makes it almost impossible to question the Games or even to discuss what they are for. There can’t be a wobble as there was in 1947, because, however broke we might be now, this thing has an unstoppable momentum of its own. The costs in 1948 were so tiny that it was possible to have a political argument about them. Now, the figures are so huge it’s very difficult to know where to start. This is a sporting event with a life of its own, and politics is left in its wake.

So we focus on the sport and the legacy – the sport first, the legacy, including the social, cultural and political benefits, to follow. The 1908 Games reversed this – the Games themselves were the spin-off of a political-cultural event, though it turned out that the stadium was their enduring legacy; long after the original White City had been dismantled, people were still coming to the stadium, though mainly for greyhound racing and then speedway, which are not Olympic sports, and I don’t think feature in the New Labour lexicon of cultural benefits. Now we build stadiums, and hope they have spin-offs which produce lasting benefits, in regeneration, infrastructure, and so on. Maybe they will – I don’t know, I don’t really even know how to discuss it. That’s the thing about legacy Olympics – the benefits are pushed far enough down the road that it is very difficult to engage with them politically, certainly without either sounding like a curmudgeon or a doom-monger. I don’t want to be either of those. I’m a sports fan. But I found reading about and thinking about the earlier London Olympics was interesting and satisfying in part because of the way it helps put sport in perspective, and gives politics some proper distance from it. The scale, and in some sense the absurdity of
those events, viewed from now, perhaps makes them seem trivial, certainly compared to the ‘political’ Games I discussed at the beginning. But the one thing they didn’t do was trivialize politics, which is what will happen at 2012, so long as the Games pass off successfully, or without incident, which is what we are meant to hope for.

**Postscript October 2012**

This is a transcript of the lecture I gave in November last year (2011). In the end, the London Games of 2012 passed off more successfully than anyone could have hoped and certainly better than I anticipated when I spoke back then. There were no political incidents or protests that got in the way of the celebration of sport. The public response to the Games was almost uniformly positive. Once the competition got going there was very little griping about how much it all cost, especially when it became clear that all the public money invested in British sport was delivering an unprecedented haul of gold medals. As Boris Johnson said after the Games were over, the sceptics were routed.

Still, it is no easier in the aftermath of these successful Games to say what their political legacy is likely to be. The feel good factor, which seemed so strong at the time and inspired some rash talk of national renewal, already seems a distant memory. It has lingered on in the form of empty political slogans and a jostling to claim the credit (all three party leaders name-checked the spirit of the London Olympics in their conferences speeches this autumn). But without the sport to inspire it, this politicking seems pretty empty. The historical evidence suggests that national euphoria surrounding sporting events has little lasting political impact. One example is the FIFA World Cup held in France in 1998 and won by the host nation. At the time it was heralded as marking a new era of French unity and multicultural tolerance; in the end, it made little difference. Sport can be a vehicle for politics but it is no substitute for politics. It is just sport.

The legacy of London 2012 is likely to depend on political developments that are unrelated to the Games themselves. If the British economy recovers soon then these Games may be remembered as a symbolic turning point, the first sign that the gloom of the economic crisis that began in 2008 was starting to lift. If the economy doesn’t recover, and the crisis persists, then the Games will be seen as at best a distraction from more serious problems. The parts of East London that hosted the Games have been transformed by public investment in infrastructure that would not have been possible without the Olympics. But whether this marks the start of a wider recovery for the area depends on how much
more public investment is going to be available, and how strong the local
economy can be without the Games to sustain it. If this was a one-off,
then the site will increasingly resemble a white elephant, more substan-
tial than the White City of 1908, but no more transformative.

The political legacy of London 2012 is also likely to hang on the future
career of one man. If Boris Johnson winds up as Prime Minister, then
these Games will be remembered as the launch pad for his ultimate tri-
umph. I still suspect it will never happen. The popularity that comes out
of events like this does not usually survive sustained political scrutiny:
the superficial politics of a 21st century Olympics suits Johnson’s show-
manship much better than the hard grind of government. But if I am
wrong, and Johnson makes it, then I suspect London 2012 will forever be
remembered as ‘Boris’s Olympics’.
The Eden Oration, December 2011

A tradition since 1645, the Eden Oration is given by one of the Fellows at a service in the Chapel that precedes the Eden Supper. For the 2011 Oration, the honour was given to Dr Vasant Kumar.

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Global Sustainability

We, human beings currently extract, each year, more than 25 billion tonnes of nature’s materials from the planet Earth and feed them into a vast global network of cross-cutting and cross-linking agricultural and industrial chains to convert the raw materials into usable social products. Iron ore is extracted from the ground and it is transformed into steel, which in turn is used to make cars, trains and numerous appliances; drilled petroleum is refined into petrol, diesel, plastics and rubber; harvested wood is turned into lumber and then into houses; and silica in sand is converted into silicon crystals, the mainstay of the microelectronic revolution in our own living era.

I am a Materials Scientist. Materials Science is deeply involved in this modern alchemy and over time has developed great insights into the properties and behaviour of materials, allowing incredible control over what we can make and how we make it. But it must be said that Materials Scientists, even collectively, have very limited control over why we convert the vast array of natural resources into value. Therefore our conscience is as clear as the rest of society. Should it be?

This takes me to the core of an area of growing importance in Materials Science – that of “sustainability”. Within Materials Science ecological concerns and preservation of the biosphere has been elevated as one of its central focus. We are compelled to ask how well we are managing nature’s capital for human use. I wish to make personal observation on
this uncertain vortex involving on the one hand, sustainability of materials, resources and energy; and on the other hand, the health of the environment and the carbon cycle; and together, their strong relationship with the global economy and the global population. The mix, underpins both the scientific practices and the technological trends.

Health of the carbon cycle is dependent upon the difference between the total carbon emission and the absorptive capacity of natural carbon sinks. Annual anthropogenic global carbon emission is an excellent metaphor for representing the permanent loss and degradation of nature’s resources, the pollution of land, water and the atmosphere and the warming of the globe. Please allow me to indulge in numbers. Numbers matter. Without quantitative consideration, it may be difficult to discuss or comprehend fully the challenging task for achieving sustainable development.

Agriculture dominated human life from at least 6000BC to circa 1500 AD. During this period of some 7,500 years, it is estimated that the annual global carbon emission increased very slowly from humble beginnings to around 50 million tonnes per year (mtpy). Something dramatic happened around the 16th century when the carbon emission started to increase rapidly, achieving a 20-fold increase in a mere 400 years, reaching a value of nearly 1,000 mtpy by the year 1900 and then to 7,000 mtpy in 2000 and worryingly is still growing!

The basic shape of the carbon emission curve with time more or less mimics the shape of the growth curve representing per capita income (or Gross Domestic Product per person) over the same time period. The global GDP per person reached a value of US$7,000 in the year 2000 from relatively low and stable values before the 16th century. There is perhaps no surprise in this parallel behaviour. The annual carbon emission simply represents global economic growth by another name.

However, there is another mathematical curve which also visibly mirrors, more or less, the carbon and the income curves with time. This is the curve showing the global population, which increased very slowly from 6000 BC to achieve a total of 320 million people in 1500 AD and then hurriedly to 900 million by 1800 AD, and to 1,500 million (1.5 billion) in 1900 and then exponentially to 6.5 billion by the end of the last millennium in the year 2000. These numbers are of course only rounded figures but are nevertheless essential for showing trends in the long and the medium run, albeit hiding numerous short term variations. Regardless of the regular arising of bottlenecks in the curves, for example from natural disasters, wars and diseases, the trends are unmistakable.

The population data is puzzling and in my view, somehow remains central to the sustainability question. It is a highly visible modern
phenomenon that the entire global population is, more or less, fully incorporated into a globalised structure perhaps by the end of the 20th century. Should the carbon emission growth curve follow the population growth curve? Perhaps! However, the vast majority of the global people have not contributed to this carbon emission, nor shared equally in the rapid rise in average income. The role of such large numbers, although living in the margin of survival and charged with a consumption which amounts to no more than “survival emission” of carbon, cannot directly account for the runaway carbon emission. An honest appraisal of how the three curves have moved together in the same trajectory is in my view an intellectual necessity to comprehend the overall “unsustainable growth” which we have witnessed as exponential changes in our time. We should also note, not just in passing, that a “light” carbon lifestyle practised by the majority of the global people has not been rewarded economically so far.

I should exercise caution here. Observation of correlations should not be confused with cause and effect. Therefore, the room for debating the implications behind the observations is very large, but in my view, it will not remain open-ended for ever. Whether we take 1500AD as the starting point or the beginning of the 20th century, when the new growth game had changed the horizon seemingly permanently or today in 2011, at a time when we are grappling with uncertainty, the future will be with us in the blink of an eye.

I am convinced that “sustainable growth” is an “unsustainable model”, while “sustainable development” should serve as a moral constraint rather than a lofty goal in itself. We must avoid the pitfall of entirely relying on “improved efficiency” in energy and materials production and use as this will, in all likelihood, only lead to increased consumption of the very resources we want to conserve. We can foresee that in a finite spherical earth, limits will start appearing when faced with exponential growth. Materials scientists, I am confident, will continue to persevere with resource-sensitive scientific thinking and technological practices that are compatible with sustainable development, so that we can flourish more by working within ecological constraints, rather than by hoping to bypass them.

Let us begin to project the three curves into the future. Let us note firstly, that globalising has reached geographical limits, and secondly the exponential segment of population growth is already over. According to data produced by the United Nations, the global population growth rate peaked at 2.2% in 1963 and has declined to 1.1% in 2009, such that the population is projected to reach a plateau of 9 billion by
2050 (or perhaps 9.2 billion in 2075). Astonishingly, the world GDP per capita growth of nearly 3% in the late 1960s and in the early 1970s also represented a peak and has continued to grow but at decreasing rate since that time, such that in 2007, it was only about 1.4%. The historical correlation, between average income and total population – the twin pillars at the heart of “sustainable development” – turns out after all not to be accidental. Do the experts not talk about demographic dividend and demographic collapse?

The main point I would like to note is that the exponential curves are running out of steam. Instead, these turn out to be “sigmoidal” curves. A sigmoidal curve is “S” shaped. Many natural processes exhibit sigmoidal behaviour and can be described as reflecting progression from small beginnings that accelerate exponentially with time and then approach an asymptote over time, i.e. cease to grow. Will the population curve following the sigmoidal trajectory as already outlined, thus disassociate itself from the income curve and therefore the carbon emission curve? I personally doubt this.

Let me suggest that both carbon emission and per capita income trajectories will also plateau out by some future time perhaps by 2050, keeping in line with the population curve (in accordance with the UN population scenario). According to this hypothesis, human beings will not only have reached a steady-state population, but as a result, arrive at a steady-state economy (net zero growth) and thereby achieve a steady-state carbon emission by around 2050! In other words, there could be an opportunity to translate socially the triple steady states into global sustainability.

Forty years to 2050 is a small blip in history, but a long time in our own lives. A 30% increase in population over 40 years is still massive representing an additional 2 billion people; a 30% growth in per capita income will still imply a near doubling of the world economy (measured as the product of global population and per capita income) with huge implications for demand for resources on one hand and environmental concerns on the other. Assuming a similar increase in carbon emission, we will be faced with around 9 billion tonnes of more carbon each year. Can the globe sustain a stable carbon cycle via natural carrying capacity? Are we doomed without major effort for creating artificial carbon sinks in order to stabilise the global warming tendencies? Can we afford to sit back and see what happens?

Curves that I have described do not happen by themselves. They are driven by human decisions and actions. Achieving a steady-state climax in the “S” curve is not a mechanical certainty but it might represent a possible outcome of the conflict between the logic of unending
expansion and those arising from forces resistant to that expansion. Behind the curves there will be many crises, conflicts and disorders. Some of them will be natural and others will be human instigated and we can expect that these lie ahead. There will also be constructive arguments, debates, new discoveries and human ingenuity on which we must pin our hopes. After 500 years of trajectory of growth, let us not delude ourselves that a zero growth world and a potentially “sustainable world” is the same world that we know today. We can allow ourselves to be bold enough to imagine that world in which a paradigm shift would have taken place in a matter of decades, not centuries.

Let me not pretend that the future can be predicted. Science is not in the business of predicting the future, except of course of near equilibrium processes, which are headline grabbing but relatively rare events in the scheme of things. By definition, the future is neither known nor yet determined. But this should not stop us from making projections and debating the choices ahead so that we are better equipped to deal with the complexity and the challenges posed by “sustainability” issues. I personally derive intense pleasure from scientific research that can directly address how to combine materials, energy and carbon issues together and how to avoid casual waste and pollution in the technological practice that may arise from such research, however small the impact.

Trinity Hall represents a forward-looking community which has a glorious track record of placing trust in the power of reason, encouraged by lively discussions and debates. Our College, Trinity Hall, has successfully sustained itself over 660 years as a centre of education, scholarly work and learning by actively encouraging absorption, tolerance and renewal.

With great delight we have welcomed new Fellows – Hermes Gadelha and Dr Laura Kirkley as Research Fellows in Mathematics and French respectively; Christopher Constant and Diane Haigh as Fellow-Commoners in Medicine and Architecture respectively; and Dr Kristin van Zwieten as the John Collier Law Fellow. We are pleased to have elected Professor Andrew Hopper (TH 1974), Head of Department at the Computer Laboratory and Professor Peter Sever (TH 1962), Professor of Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics at Imperial College, as new Honorary Fellows of Trinity Hall.

We bid farewell in September 2011 to two of our Research Fellows, Dr Anne-Sophie Kaloghiros and Dr Jane Partner.

We marked with sadness, the passing away of Emeritus Fellow, Tony Oakley in July this year.

Let us take a moment and remember to praise our future. We proudly welcomed a new batch of undergraduate and graduate students and
Postdoctoral Research Fellows as new members of our College at the beginning of the Michaelmas Term. While we rightly celebrate great scholarly achievements in terms of cutting-edge research, outstanding new results, innovations, high impact publications, medals and honours, we must remind ourselves that in Trinity Hall and in Cambridge University, quality begins with our students and young researchers and this quality trickles upwards.

Whether we wish to commend our scholars for meritorious academic achievement or undergraduates carrying out projects with fresh minds, or research students spending productive hours in the laboratories, libraries or archives and the Postdoctoral researchers working as the glue cementing the older and new generations together – we must proudly acknowledge the massive contributions made by such new generations.

I would like to end my oration with an anecdote. The anecdote concerns Meissner, the great scientist who was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1933 for a famous discovery involving materials that can achieve superconductivity when cooled below a critical temperature, a state in which the material is a perfect conductor of electricity. The story revolves around Meissner’s student who noticed that a superconductor is not only a perfect conductor of electricity but is also a perfect diamagnet, i.e., it can repel a magnet, as he observed that a small magnet could levitate above a suitably cooled superconducting material. Utterly excited, he reported this discovery immediately to Meissner and confirmed that he had repeated his experiments several times and that he was fully confident that something new had been discovered. Meissner congratulated his student patted him on his head and exclaimed, “Great Work! Well done! In fact, you have just discovered the ‘Meissner Effect’”.
Commemoration of Benefactors

Sunday 5 February 2012

Address given by The Revd Professor George Newlands, Trinity Hall Fellow and Dean from 1982 to 1986 and a University Lecturer in Divinity

Professor Newlands is currently Professor Emeritus of Divinity in the University of Glasgow, a Fellow of the School of Divinity, Edinburgh, and of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, and President of the Society for the Study of Theology. His research interests are in theology and in human rights.

How does one commemorate the benefactors, especially since we have quite possibly been doing this for 650 years? I have been preaching on this Sunday myself for some time, though actually not yet for quite 650 years. I can imagine that when the preacher for 1352 uttered his words of wisdom lots of undergraduates said to themselves, ‘Hell this is SO 1340s.’ And so it goes. Well, at least the scripture readings for the appropriate Sunday change. And this year’s perhaps speak especially to our condition. ‘We may soar on wings like eagles’ – Virgin Atlantic. ‘Lead me Lord in thy righteousness. Bring ruin on my enemies’ – especially on those who didn’t like my last essay or book review, and everybody who hissed my mystery lectures. Jesus says ‘where are we tonight?’ and promptly heals the demon-possessed. Masters contemplating the Governing Body meeting, students going into uncomfortable supervisions, cooks trying to please everybody at once – all must have resonated to the thought that there be demons in Trinity Hall, at least occasionally.

No doubt we ought to be truly thankful today for the great and the good, the world-class scholars who maintain our reputation at the cutting edge of knowledge and the immensely rich who maintain us in the manner to which we wish to continue to be accustomed. Without the continuing momentum in education and research we don’t deserve to prosper. Without continuing generous financial support we just cease to function – full stop. There’s much to be grateful for here. We just have to look for a moment outside our comfortable College to see that.

Christian faith is all about looking outside the magic circle. St Paul encourages us to be all things to all men – and women. We are here to enjoy ourselves, but to help other people to enjoy their lives too. We are here too to appreciate the well balanced, sane, intelligent and always generous community which is Trinity Hall (well, hopefully most of the
time!); but all men includes the people who from time to time seem to us
and often to themselves to be possessed by demons – whatever demons
may be. We might even reflect that none of us are immune from a little
fit of demon possession ourselves from time to time! (well, I am some-
thing of a Scots Calvinist after all!)

So where are my Strictly Come Benefaction winners for 2012? I want
to mention four people who come to mind from the time when I was
Dean. None of them won a Nobel Prize and none were unspeakably rich.
I was not particularly close to all of them. But all of them seem to me
looking back to have been Benefactors to our College community, in
ways which were remarkably consonant with the Christian gospel.
(They would no doubt deny this furiously!)

My first contestant was the Master’s wife, who when I arrived was
Marian Sugden. Masters’ wives have a particularly hard time of it. They
come into what looks suspiciously like an academic version of Downton
Abbey – big old house, loads of staff, splendid grounds, formal meals, all
the quotidian minor tensions of a strong-minded family, multiplied by x.
Whatever they do, not to mention whatever they don’t do, is going to be
scrutinised and analysed continually, and probably compared with the
last incumbent, and the one before that. Lady Sugden managed to have a
quite amazing rapport with just about everybody in the place. She enter-
tained them, did things with their kids, whether they were the Vice-Mas-
ter’s offspring or the assistant chef’s toddlers, and picked up the under-
graduates who were feeling lost, or the Fellows who were divorcing their
sixth wives. She had strong opinions, she was not afraid to speak her
mind, and she was unquestionably a Benefactor to us all.

The next contestant for Benefactor 2012 was a student here, even a
member of the Chapel community – I trust you appreciate this tactful
move on my part. Charlie Beale (TH 1982) was Organ Scholar and Choir-
master in my time. He studied Music, later did a PhD on jazz piano, and
became a Professor at the Royal College of Music. Charlie was a fantastic
organist and a hugely persuasive leader of the Choir and the Music So-
ciety, not to mention a centre of their decidedly colourful social life. But
he also had principles – a rare thing in an organist, you might think –
and so he felt unable to receive communion in Chapel, as long as the
Church of England practised discrimination on grounds of sexuality.
Charlie is today the conductor of the famous New York Gay Men’s Cho-
rus, still working for inclusion. Benefaction and generosity do not mean
losing sight of what you believe in and what you stand for.

My third contestant was a Fellow, who is happily still with us, as a
retired Emeritus Fellow, John Collier. He will hate this. But John was by
any standards a considerable Benefactor. Collier is not a name to rank with Blackstone, or Dicey, or the stacks of Appeal Court Judges whom we produce as a matter of course. The Fellows did not always agree with him on every issue. But he had a quite unique gift of the capacity for friendship with undergraduates, endless students whose lives and study were supported and greatly enhanced through his consistently supportive presence. ‘So what?’ you may say. In the academic life in 2012 we are increasingly encouraged, mandated even, to be ferociously competitive with every sinew, neuron, synapse, whatever. Sad losers don’t count. John was not like that. Shocking - but if his contribution is not benefaction, I don’t know what is.

Finally, and there was and I guess still is a good field to choose from, when I think of benefaction I think especially of Mrs Jeffs, then the Senior Tutor’s secretary. Thelma Jeffs was an angel, in not too heavy disguise. Trinity Hall is a well organised, efficiently run, generally benevolent institution. It ticks all the boxes for equality awareness, health and safety, equal opportunity requirements, and all Fellows are certified to work with emotionally challenged youth (though the youth may not be certified to work with emotionally challenged Fellows!). But there are moments when someone, through no fault, or perhaps half fault of their own, feels that they have come up against a brick wall and they don’t quite know where to turn next. That’s where Mrs Jeffs was a godsend. People knew that they could turn to her and she would somehow find a way through the brick wall. She knew what she knew and was totally discreet. And that was benefaction, even blessing.

In my version of Strictly Come Benefaction there are no winners. None of my contestants was remotely interested in winning. And so they all win.

In thinking of these four very different people I have tried to show how they made a difference where they found themselves, and this was extremely good news for our College community. But these folk also had interests outside. They were not obsessed by their local involvement, and that was good news too. This brings me back to the Hall men and women that I rather rubbished earlier, the scholars and scientists and the wealth creators. Benefaction brings obligations to contribute to a wider society, to take advantage of the benefits we enjoy here to add something to the lives of folk who don’t have the experiences we have. The 1% but also the 99% – I guess there is an absolutely fundamental and ever-present challenge here. And somewhere in the middle of all this there are a surprisingly large number of Benefactors, members of the College past and present, who are not in the Zuckerberg bracket but who
still contribute most generously to our 650 year-old project, and for that we are deeply grateful.

All things to all men. What about the demons, our demons and others’ demons? Jesus was there where it was needed. End of story. Perhaps not quite. In our 2012 world of post-theism, post-modernity and post-post, it is not entirely unthinkable to imagine that through these still vaguely familiar stories there are pointers to a God who is there, who is benefaction instantiated in the not always so comfortable life of Jesus of Nazareth. In that deeply challenging drama of death and resurrection, suffering and celebration, murderous violence and the hope of compassion, there comes a call to attentive benefaction. It echoes in every situation in which we find ourselves, comfortable and uncomfortable – even in Trinity Hall.

Being prepared to be open and accepting to all the huge variety of people we encounter here and outside the College, trying to be alert to the situations of the more difficult people we meet, and to face the contradictions in ourselves, is that the sum of our Christian faith? Actually it’s not, though the liberal vision of reasonableness, tolerance, affirmation, and inclusion serves to help keep the church honest at times of huge pressure to retreat into a tunnel of blind fideism, of dogmatic intolerance.

2012. What will benefaction look like in 2112? The one sure thing one can say about prophets is that they are almost always wrong. However, we all know that most of the churches in Europe are in a bad way. We can tell ourselves that they are believing, if not belonging, that the disastrous decline of ecumenical action has been succeeded by a higher form of togetherness, etc. We can say that our lot are declining more slowly than theirs, because we have a better theology or liturgy or whatever. But there it is.

We know that the more classically liberal Protestants have declined the fastest, and the others feel safer with their richer liturgical traditions. But even very progressive Episcopal churches are withering on the vine, and Catholicism is in retreat all over Europe. In America the most forward looking and enlightened Christian communities, from the UCC to the Quakers, are losing numbers fast. The future seems to lie with the millions of devout Protestants and Catholics who will sing hymns at the inauguration of President Gingrich. The next fastest growing church is the alternative community of Governor Romney.

In Asia, Africa and South America, easily the fastest growing churches are charismatic and Pentecostal, often deeply conservative in social and political areas. Paradoxically, as we try in Europe, entirely sensibly, to introduce more contemporary music for a younger generation, in Asia
large congregations may well be singing the music and the words, literally translated, of Moody and Sankey, with huge enthusiasm. As Christianity declines in Europe it grows elsewhere. The work of world ecumenical bodies is likely to be shaped decisively in much more traditional directions – not least if there is, as there may well be, an exponential expansion of Christian presence in and from China.

So, what’s not to like about all this? As far as global Christianity goes, it may well soon be our Christian duty to work in committed conversation and engagement with all sorts of new and sometimes uncomfortable people. But benefaction does not mean that anything goes. I would guess that there are understandings of some core elements of the gospel, relating to theology and pastoral care, ethics and belief, which we would be concerned to maintain in all circumstances. We can all talk the talk, but we have to try at least to walk the walk.

So where do we go from here? I have painted such a dark picture that you may think it can only get better. It gets better. People who say this sometimes have a disconcerting tendency to cease to be with us shortly afterwards. The seed has to fall into the ground and die before there is new birth. But there’s a lot of evidence of falling and precious little of new growth.

My own take on this is that indeed we have to be resolute for the very long term. I guess the Dean will have talked to you about Bonhoeffer’s secret discipline. In terms of practical action, no one-size-fits-all approach will do. Sometimes more traditional, sometimes more radical approaches, often a judicious mixture of both, will be required. Things may well remain difficult. Churches may continue to decline despite our best efforts. But as they decline it becomes even more important to maintain a witness. I don’t mean to prop up institutions which have had their day and can only benefit from reconstruction; but to point in word and action to the heart of the Christian gospel of precisely unconditional love in action as the motive force of God’s creation. Despite the superstructures of ecclesiastical triumphalism, Christian faith always has a built in sense of ‘nevertheless’, and often ‘against the odds.’ If the light shines on in the darkness, and I believe it does, then there is every possible reason to maintain a sane and consistent witness to it in the world. And in any case, the darkness will never extinguish it.

We need progressive values. But to make them stick we may sometimes need to pray for a resolute faith against the odds. The gospel tells us, the evangelical gospel of the catholic faith, that even while we are searching for answers, for values, for effective actions and solutions in the face of all the challenges (translated into ‘English’ English as
‘horrendous obstacles’) that face a quest for the triumph of love and wellbeing in the world of 2012, God is already there before us. This is the great benefaction, the benefaction that has already taken place, improbably and against the appearance of things, through the catalyst of one single human life in the history of the universe, the incarnation of the cosmic Christ. What it means is that in 1412, in 1512, in 1612, in 2012, in 3012, in life, in death, in our future with God, we are not alone. Of course there need not have been a Benefactor. Faith promises us that there is one.
Section Three
Student Activities, Societies & Sports
The JCR

Whenever we say that Trinity Hall is an exceptionally friendly and welcoming College, we’re not lying. We’re not even telling a white lie, or stretching the truth: for reasons unknown, Trinity Hall continues to attract a fantastic batch of ‘Freshers’ each time undergraduate matriculation comes around. This year was no exception. It only seems like yesterday that a fantastic new cohort were well and truly welcomed into the College’s heart at the beginning of Michaelmas last year by Ben Russell (TH 2009) and his JCR Committee bedecked in bright pink t-shirts.

It’s incredibly difficult to squeeze in (and to remember!) all the activity of the JCR in a review of the year. Before you know it, it’s May Week and another year is over, and all the special efforts, achievements, organisational efforts, and fun-loving activities of the student body seem so habitual that it’s easy to take them for granted. Trinity Hall is a College filled with students who just won’t stop at being good at one thing. Societies and individuals are too numerous to mention them all, but here’s a short, sweet and hopefully representative overview of yet another very busy year.

Time flies when you’re having fun. True to the saying, this year has positively flown by in a flurry of Vivas, supervision essays, garden parties, lectures, tea, coffee and doughnuts. The College’s academic results were its highest ever last year, and the College and the JCR are doing all they can to keep this up. Yet, academic achievements have by no means come at the detriment of either welfare or our enjoyment of our time here. I speak for the whole JCR when I say a huge “thank you” to Dr Nick Bampos, Jackie Harmon and Doreen Kunze in the Tutorial Office, and Helen Murphy and Dominique Ruhlmann in the Library who as ever do their utmost to help us all stay smiling through Easter Term, arriving at ‘the other side’ replete with doughnuts, juice and biscuits, and offering help whenever anyone needs it. The Welfare team old (Will Morton (TH 2010) and Emma Bailey (TH 2009)) and new (Alex Greaves (TH 2011) and Fiona Shaw (TH 2010)) have done a wonderful job supporting the student body, putting on their own welfare spread once a week. And as ever, we are hugely indebted to the wonderful Porters, whom, along with the staff and Fellowship, I’d like to thank on behalf of the JCR.

College societies have been busier than ever this year. The JCR was able to purchase a new pool table which has rejuvenated the JCR and the ever-growing, ever-popular and ever-improving pool team. The Women’s Football team have gone from strength to strength (in lovely new JCR-funded kit), ending the season by winning the Plate, whilst the Men’s third team reached the division final. Trinity Hall students have sung
their hearts out in the newly-formed choir, the Trinity Hall Singers, and churned out recital after recital of wonderful music. We’ve had LGBT film nights and hit the slopes in Snow Hall 2011 (thanks to Ali Kendall (TH 2009)). The JCR committee continually receives applications for funding for more and more societies, including everything from cookery to weight-lifting. Besides the usual, this year the JCR were able to directly fund the Boat Club and help with the relaunch of the Preston Society.

Our caring and friendly reputation is reflected in the fact that Trinity Hall is the College with the most trained volunteer Peer Supporters. We’ve got sportsmen and women extraordinaire, music maestros, budding and accomplished artists, climate change warriors, astounding actors and charity fundraising whizzes coming out of our ears. Their achievements have seen no bounds this year: from rowing in the Goldie Boat, to representing the University in Dancesport, to turning out over 40 people onto Jesus Green in the snow to support sustainable energy, Tit-Hallers are doing the College proud.

And no one can accuse us of not having any fun whilst doing it. Laura Brightman (TH 2010) and her successors Millie Bath and Kerry Corley (both TH 2011) have done and are doing a fantastic job as Ents President(s) putting on Viva after Viva after Pub Quiz after Garden Party. Laura and her team said a fantastic farewell with an unforgettable Burns’ Night, complete with bagpipes, whilst Millie and Kerry made sure this year’s Garden Party truly did justice to Trinity Hall’s reputation as an essential part of May Week’s Suicide Sunday. The Ents team have injected a fantastic new lease of life into the formal calendar, getting this term off to a fantastic start with two oddly-adorable Chinese dragons gracing Latham Lawn and the Hall. Who knows what’s in store for us next term?

The June Event team under Helena Miles and Max Nelki-Gopfert (both TH 2010), sacrificed their May Week to gear up for a phenomenal June Event. The June Event is the largest capacity event in May Week and thousands of excited guests are squeezed into Central Site. Themed ‘The Four Elements’, the June Event committee turned Central Site into a wonderland of earth, air, fire and water, offering delicious food and drink and putting on an unforgettable evening.

This year has not been without its challenges. Trinity Hall has had its voice heard in debates in CUSU on issues which extend to include the wider University. Our Access work continues in fighting to make sure Access does not suffer and indeed improves as higher education fees rise. We’ve moved well and truly into the 21st Century (find us on Facebook and Twitter!) meaning that information about the College and the JCR is widely available and accessible. The intake in 2012 will be the first
year group to pay the new higher university fees, and the JCR will work harder than ever to meet any challenges this may pose.

Finally, I’d like to extend my thanks to the wonderful JCR Committee, who continue to work hard to help make Trinity Hall JCR such a special student body. As I look forward to helping welcome a whole new batch of Tit-Hallers in the autumn, it’s with an impatience to show them all the best that the Hidden Hall has to offer. The prospect of being so involved in Trinity Hall 2012’s first impressions of our wonderful College is a daunting prospect. We’re anxious that the new first years will love their time at Trinity Hall as much as we do, and as much as those who have gone before us.

Shoes Off!

*Stephanie Le Lièvre (JCR President, TH 2010)*

**JCR Committee 2011/12:** Stephanie Le Lièvre (TH 2010) – President; Matt Ingram (TH 2010) – Vice-President; Tim Axtmann (TH 2010) – Treasurer; Kerry Corley (TH 2011) and Mille Bath (TH 2011) – Ents Presidents; Samantha Johnson (TH 2010) – Secretary; Elinor Harrison (TH 2011) and Fiona Woolston (TH 2011) – Access Officers; Peter Greenfield (TH 2010) – Green Officer; Davina Moss (TH 2011), Hazel Stubbs (TH 2011) and Zephyr Penoyre (TH 2011) – 1st Year Reps; Alex Greaves (TH 2011) and Fiona Shaw (TH 2010) – Welfare Officers; Ryan Howard (TH 2011) – LBGT Rep; Christian von Drehle (TH 2010) – International Rep; Will Morton (TH 2010) – Web and Publicity Officer; Alex Forse (TH 2008) and Jack Stevens (TH 2008) – JCR Reps to MCR.
The MCR

What a year 2012 has been! The country relished in beloved traditions – the Queen’s Jubilee, the Olympic Games, and of course (in a not too distant third place) the annual adventures of the Trinity Hall MCR.

The year commenced in a grand fashion, with Christmas Dinner, complete with rousing rounds of carols and a heartfelt goodbye from outgoing President, James Thom (TH 1999). Fine dining continued in the months to come. The MCR rang in Burns’ Night in style, with savoury haggis, hilarious toasts, and an impassioned ceilidh. We reached beyond our borders with a delicious Asian-inspired dinner, enjoyed an array of green drinks for St Patrick’s Day, sampled local ingredients during Green Grad Hall, and welcomed Dr David Cleevely (TH 1978) to our Annual Dinner. Dr Cleevely delivered an enlivening talk, fondly recalling his years in College and inspiring all in attendance to aim for excellence.

Socialising carried on with flair throughout the year, with popular swaps; film nights highlighting the MCR’s international and LGBT communities; wine and cheese evenings; cocktail nights; a hearty brunch in Wychfield; a year-long vegetable growing contest; and a delightful (and surprisingly sunny) May Week Garden Party.

The MCR proudly and triumphantly displayed their academic achievements over the past three terms. We continued to host McMenemy seminars, weekly pre-dinner research talks featuring diverse and impressive work by MCR members and supportively attended by peers. Easter Term ushered in the Marshall McLuhan symposium, a day-long series of debates, presentations, and discussion. This year’s event, headed by Academic Officer Sarah Weaver (TH 2010), focused exclusively on the topic of memory, with entertaining and informative insights from the MCR.

The MCR Committee, per tradition, remained devoted to promoting charity and well-being, both within College and amongst the greater community. Women’s Officers Anaïs Lasvigne (TH 2011) and Annalijn Conklin (TH 2011) directed, produced, cast, and acted in The Vagina Monologues, a charity performance aimed at ending violence against women. Together, they raised £1,000 which was donated on behalf of the MCR to two Cambridge women’s charities. Additional funds were collected for CIMA, a non-profit organisation dedicated to educating and uplifting impoverished Peruvian children and the MCR’s official charity for the year.

MCR members were well-nurtured, with weekly afternoon tea and cakes, communal writing and study sessions, relaxed discussions on eating disorders and mental health, game and movie nights, and always-on-hand care from all active committee members.
2012 has, indeed, been a blast. The MCR shined, as always, sporting superb socials, admirable academics, and sensational support. Sincerest gratitude is due to all who make the MCR magical – Senior Tutor, Dr Nick Bampos and Graduate Tutors, Drs Lorand Bartels and Tadashi Tokieda; Graduate Officer, Miss Julie Powley; Head Porter Mr Mark Whitehead; the stellar MCR Committee, and all College staff.

Cheers to many, many more happy years in Trinity Hall.

Jessica Soltys (MCR President 2011/12, TH 2010)

MCR Committee 2011/12: Jessica Soltys (TH 2010) – President; Anna Dorofeeva (TH 2011) – Vice President; Chi-Hé Elder (TH 2009) – Treasurer; Sia Togia (TH 2008) – Secretary; Daniel Gutierrez-Trapaga (TH 2011) and Micah Melnyk (TH 2011) – Internal Ents; Greg Queyranne (TH 2011) and Alona Shkrum (TH 2011) – External Ents; Tony Brooks (TH 2006) – Steward; Loris Pirroni (TH 2008) – Green Officer; Jessica Hume (TH 2008) and Diana Kudaibergenova (TH 2010) – Welfare; Annalijn Conklin (TH 2011) and Anaïs Lasvigne (TH 2011) – Women’s Officers; Nadine Tschacksch (TH 2011) and David Shuker (TH 2011) – LGBT Officers; Ipshita Mandal (TH 2011) – International Officer; Sarah Weaver (TH 2010) – Academic Officer; Malcolm Scott (TH 2003) – Computing Officer; Jack Stevens (TH 2008) and Alex Forse (TH 2008) – JCR Reps to the MCR.
College Societies

Amnesty International
The Trinity Hall Amnesty International society meets fortnightly during term time to compose letters denouncing human rights abuses all around the world. The group has been regularly attended this year by a small but loyal group of committed students, and letters have been sent to destinations as diverse as Bahrain, Syria, Cuba, Mexico and Afghanistan. Under the leadership of Giulia Nicolini (TH 2011) next year, the group is sure to prosper.

Zoë Proud (TH 2008)

Chapel
The Chapel continues to be a place which offers the chance for prayer and reflection within the College community. Michaelmas Term Evensong services focused on some of the fabric of liturgical life within the Chapel, such as the altarpiece and the organ voluntary, exploring theology of our senses and surroundings. Later in the year, Evensong preachers have included those from a broad range of Christian traditions: Methodist, Anglican, Roman Catholic and Greek Orthodox; clerics, academics and those training for future ministry as affiliated theological students within the College. This year many students were drawn to a Christmas service of popular carols, put on to complement the traditional Advent carol service. The Sunday morning Holy Communion continues to be a steady and friendly community of Fellows, students and alumni, shared once a term with Clare College Chapel.

James Crockford (TH 2011)

Christian Union
The Trinity Hall Christian Union exists to make Jesus Christ known to students in Trinity Hall. It has been very encouraging to meet as a group of Christians on Wednesday evenings to support one another and talk about how we can share our faith with our friends in College. While this of course mainly happens through individuals, to help and encourage such discussions the Christian Union have run events such as Text-a-Toastie and put on Sunday lunch with a talk about how Jesus offers a life without fear (thus also filling the gap in the Hall timetable!). University is an exciting opportunity to think through what life is really about and it is a privilege to be able to share the difference we believe Jesus makes in the lives of those who know him.

Naomi Wood (TH 2011) and Alex Greaves (TH 2011)
Law Society

It has been another enjoyable and successful year for the Law Society. Continuing the trend started last year, THLS attracted a number of high-profile speakers. In February, Shami Chakrabarti (Director of Liberty) braved the snow to come and speak to the Society about the virtues of the Human Rights Act. A few weeks later, William Clegg QC (Head of Chambers at 2 Bedford Row) delivered an entertaining insight into working as an advocate in international criminal courts. At our Annual Dinner, one of the country’s most highly renowned Barristers, Lord Pannick QC, pondered the case for House of Lords reform.

Members honed their advocacy in two moots this year: four of our first years delivered fine debut performances in the Freshers’ Moot, with Eowyn Elliott (TH 2011) eventually winning. Few University mooting competitions can boast having a senior member of the Court of Appeal as judge, so we were delighted that Lord Justice Hooper (TH 1957) judged our Annual Moot. After four excellent sets of submissions on difficult issues of criminal evidence, Dan O’Donoghue (TH 2009) was declared winner.

THLS maintained its reputation for popular social events with Welcome Drinks, the Michaelmas Dinner, Christmas Party, Champagne & Chocolates Guest Night and the Garden Party, all generously supported by our friends at leading London law firms Baker & McKenzie and Slaughter & May. The Annual Dinner, kindly sponsored by Linklaters, was arguably the highlight with Professor Graham Virgo (Downing College) giving an entertaining speech, informed by quotes from Aristotle and Legally Blonde.

Plans are already being made for 2012/13, which will hopefully include speeches by David Woolley QC (TH 1958) and Lord Justice Laws. Our thanks as usual go to our colleagues on this year’s committee, and all those who supported our events.

Tom Bushnell (TH 2009) and Daniel O’Donoghue (TH 2009)

Music Society

THMS continues to put on many recitals each term as well as an annual concert. Recitals this year have included jazz piano and singing, string quartets, organ recitals in the Chapel, a ukulele girl band, and a host of mixed recitals for Freshers and all members of College to dust off their pipes (vocal and otherwise) and show off to their friends. Recitals attendance has been very high this year, with the concert the most well attended it has been during my three years. We also held an informal Christmas concert this year, with glitter, santa hats, mulled wine and
biscuits, ending with all instrumentalists and singers gathering to sing and play through *I’m Dreaming of a White Christmas*.

The Chapel Choir, which continues to flourish in the hands of Director of Music, Andrew Arthur, has performed regularly outside of Chapel as well, including at the annual concert and their own recitals. The Big Band is bigger than ever and playing everything from Gershwin to Goodwin to Herb Albert, with a lively horn section including players from Cambridge University Jazz Orchestra and other top notch University bands. The Trinity Hall Orchestra, which forms yearly for the annual concert, was led by Malcolm Perry (TH 2009), pulling off Mendelssohn’s *Hebrides Overture* with aplomb. Malcolm Perry also led the string ensemble as principal violin, playing a beautiful rendition of Elgar’s *Serenade for Strings*.

It is with sadness that we say goodbye to Chris Pilgrim (TH 2009), the Senior Organ Scholar, who has done a tremendous amount for music in College, including coconducting the Chapel Choir, forming a College Barbershop Quartet, accompanying at recitals, and being secretary on the committee. He has secured a place to sing counter-tenor in a professional church choir in London.

I will continue as Chair next year, and am delighted to say the committee is bigger than ever, and bursting with ideas for how to make next year even better.

*Jeff Carpenter (TH 2009)*

**Penguins**

The Penguins have had a great year. Whilst celebrating the sporting success of all our members we have enjoyed each others company and become a very close group of friends. The special thing about the Penguins is the chance for sporty girls across the years to socialise and celebrate their sporting achievements with other societies all over Cambridge. A few highlights include a very successful Annual Dinner, raising money for charity at the ‘Cambridge’s Most Eligible Bachelor’ auction and the general enthusiasm and great sense of humour of all our members. I know those graduating this year will be very sad to be leaving the Penguins and we hope that the new committee will have as much fun organising it all next year. I would like to say thank you to the outgoing committee, Katherine Gist (TH 2009), Laura Peatman (TH 2009), Ella Hollowood (TH 2009) and Sukhmani Khatkar (TH 2009) who have all made this year an extremely memorable one for me and I’m sure everyone else in the Penguins.

*Ellen Heddle (TH 2009)*
Politics Society

This year saw the re-launch of the Trinity Hall Politics Society (THPS); less as a venue for visiting speakers and more as a reading group designed to build informal social and intellectual contacts between junior members in all years, the graduate student community and Fellows of the College. The content of the sessions was designed to directly align with the first year Politics course. The series contained a blend of history of political thought as well as issues in contemporary politics. Before every session a reading list was sent out which generally contained a podcast from Radio 4, an online news article and a journal article, and the assumption that attendees will have read the primary texts (eg Leviathan, Das Kapital).

Our first session was entitled “Hobbes and the London Riots” in which attendees, fuelled with that classy combination of wine and Sainsbury’s pizza, considered whether Hobbes’ view of society could shed any light on the London Riots, and on a more methodological point whether we should even expect the work of a 17th century political philosopher to inform contemporary events. This produced an excellent quality of discussion with contributions from the whole group kindly facilitated by Dr Alastair Fraser, Philomathia Fellow in Politics, Psychology, Sociology and International Studies. The second session was on “Marx and Markets” in which we considered the recent financial crisis and questioned the extent to which it was a crisis of capitalism or a crisis of democracy. As expected this topic resulted in a clash of some very polarised opinions that were diplomatically mediated by Dr Martin Reuhl, Fellow in Modern Languages, and his insights on German political thought. Our final session was very special as it was hosted by the Master and Dr Daunton in the Master’s Lodge on the topic of “Who do you trust to run Europe, politicians or economists?” Here, we considered the Eurozone crisis and reflected on the efficacy and legitimacy of unelected technocrats.

This year has been a roaring success for the Politics Society. It has been such an achievement to involve so many different members of the College, and to see the quality of debate develop at each session. The aim of the Society was to create a platform for the exchange of well-developed ideas in an informal but intellectual forum and it has certainly been successful in this endeavour.

Many thanks to the Senior Tutor who supported and funded this society and to Lee Evans (TH 2010) who attended every session and defended his views with an unparalleled level of passion and rigour.

Crystal Eisinger (TH 2009)
Preston Society

This year we resurrected the Preston Society – Trinity Hall’s long-dormant drama and performing arts society, with the aims of encouraging and supporting more theatrical performances in College and providing advice for students in College who wish to get involved with drama across Cambridge. We formed a committee and held a pitching session for College members to suggest ideas for future performances, or submit pieces of their own that they would like to see staged. Our plans include starting next year with a College performance in Freshers’ Week in October and a pantomime later in Michaelmas.

Connie Vaughan (TH 2011)

College Sports

Basketball

The team that Boris “Dr J” Jardine (TH 2006) had built around American swingman Jamie “Scrappy” Martin, the Chinese Twin Towers Li Peng (TH 2008) and TC Lin (TH 2008) as well as veteran guard Martin Ruehl (Fellow) and Israeli star forward Naaman Tammuz (TH 2007) was rejuvenated at the beginning of the season by the arrival of Chilean post doc Alex “The A-Train” Alvarado (TH PDRA) and research fellow Will Cavert, a 6’4 lottery pick from Northwestern University with exceptional range and shot-creation ability. Helped by the supreme court vision of recent free-agent acquisition James “White Chocolate” Edwards, a pass-first point guard with game-managing skills reminiscent of the young Steve Nash, the TH ballers stormed to the top of Division I, dispatching traditional basketball powerhouses Fitzwilliam, King’s, and Wolfson on the way. The first three rounds of Cuppers were defined by the physical play of Kwaku “The Earthquake” Osei (Yale), who kept backing down defenders in the low post, and the exceptional defensive efforts of Ensign John David Miller (US Naval Academy), whose iron will and elbows (and trash talking) added a much-needed toughness to our backcourt. Uri Grodzinski crashed the boards like a miniature Dennis Rodman, and hard-driving combo guard Steve Rosanoff (Arizona State, SUNY) chipped in 11.5 PPG, mainly off his trademark floaters. In the Cuppers Final, THBbC faced their most formidable foe yet, the Hellenic Society, an artificially created super team of former varsity players. Down by 14 at the end of the third quarter, our starting five staged an epic come back, noisily supported by their faithful bench and WAGs. Edwards tied the game with a driving lay up before Tammuz put it
away with two reverse lay-ups in the waning seconds. The final score line read 64:62 – TH were Cuppers champions. As confetti rained from the ceiling of Kelsey Kerridge Sports Centre, the players began to celebrate what must rank as one of the greatest triumphs in franchise history.

*Dr Martin Ruehl (Fellow)*

**Cricket**

Due to a very wet spring/early summer there have been very limited opportunities to play any College cricket. However, we managed to obtain byes right up to the semi-final where we faced a very good Caius side. Although our side was short of a couple of its strongest players we put in a very respectable performance but sadly came out second best. Hopefully, the weather will allow us to put forward a strong challenge in Cuppers next year!

*Elliott Bath (TH 2010)*

**Football (Men’s)**

Trinity Hall Men’s Football Club ‘enjoyed’ a year of football unparalleled in recent history, with two teams finishing bottom of their league, and the other escaping the drop on the final day. The First XI, newly promoted to the top Division, struggled against the leading lights of the Cambridge football scene despite attempting various tactical systems during the year. Despite promising displays against Trinity, Selwyn and Fitzwilliam, the step up in quality was just too much to cope with. Relegation was confirmed two games from the end of the season, but a run to the semi-finals of the Plate ensured an uplifting end to the season. Highlights included the game away against Trinity, where the team salvaged a dramatic 3-3 draw with a 90th minute equaliser, and the efficient 2-0 victory over Queen’s in the Plate. Credit and thanks must go to all players for their efforts, and especially the new members of the College, who all acquitted themselves excellently. Next year the team will be back in the second tier, and in the capable hands of Tim Axtmann (TH 2010). Congratulations once again to Rory Griffiths (TH 2010), who gained a second appearance in the Varsity match, and contributed hugely to a victory for Cambridge.

*Niall Finnegan (TH 2009)*
Football (Women’s)

The Trinity Hall Women’s Football Club has experienced one of its best ever seasons this academic year. Although a promising number of new players signed up in Freshers’ Week, it was a slow start to the season and numbers were low in the first few league matches. However, we were soon able to make a full team each week and began to improve quickly through training and playing together. The arrival of our new kit also proved to be a good motivator as we won all the games after this. We finished mid-table in the Third Division of the Women’s Football League but managed to make it all the way through the Plate Championship and won against Newnham College in the final to bring Trinity Hall the first piece of silverware in living memory.

We are really grateful for the help and support of our Coach, Malcolm Pearman (TH Porter), without whose training we would not have achieved so much, as well as all the enthusiasm and commitment shown by all the players. Now looking ahead, we’re hoping for the same luck in the new season.

Anna Daunt (TH 2009)

Hockey (Men’s)

Having lost a number of the team’s stronger players over the last couple of years, the team started the year with a number of new members, many of whom had played little or no hockey before. The team has been slowly improving throughout the year, and is now looking much more solid and should hopefully do well next year under the captaincy of Dan Threlfall (TH 2010).

Robert Sills (TH 2009)

Hockey (Women’s)

Trinity Hall Women’s Hockey Club has once again found difficulties getting a team together this year. However, despite this we have witnessed a number of games where, in true Trinity Hall spirit, those who showed up put in a valiant effort in an attempt to overcome our more organised opponents. One particularly successful demonstration of this came in the first match where we put a confident St Catz team (admittedly the seconds) to shame with a 4-1 victory! With the captaincy safe in the capable hands of Bridget Hipwell (TH 2010), next year we can hopefully
build on this achievement and perhaps even move up to the dizzying heights of the top of Division Three.

Anna Moore (TH 2010)

Mixed Lacrosse

Trinity Hall Mixed Lacrosse has enjoyed yet another strong season this year. The begging and pleading to get friends/housemates to participate over the last couple of years has certainly paid off, and we started the year with a great team of seasoned players (together with a few essential new additions). Trinity Hall retained our place in the top division of the League in the Michaelmas Term; the team played fantastically well together and also enabled great individual performances all round. The highlight of the Lent Term was the Cuppers tournament, in which we won all our qualifying matches and made it to the semi-finals. We were unlucky to be beaten in the semi-final, although it was a comfort to know the only team to score any goals against us were the overall winners! The team performance has been fantastic and great fun throughout, whilst the dedication of the players (even to matches arranged only the day before) has been truly outstanding. We all have high hopes that the team can continue this performance next year, retaining its Division One status and perhaps finally beating Jesus!

Livia Bridgman-Baker (TH 2010)

Netball

This year has been a successful year for the Trinity Hall Netball Teams. A lot of enthusiasm and commitment has been seen, with matches being played in all weather conditions, including snow! The Second Ladies Netball Team played very well throughout the year, placed 5th in Division Four of the League. At the end of Michaelmas Term our First Team was relegated to Division Two, but some excellent play in Lent Term meant that we were placed 2nd in Division Two and have been promoted back to the top Division for the start of the next season. Our Mixed Netball Team also participated in the Mixed Netball League coming 5th in Division Three. The Cuppers Tournament in March also had some excellent play, with the Ladies Team finishing 2nd in their pool to Downing College. Some excellent shooting and defensive skills meant that we qualified for the next round, but were unfortunately knocked out by Murray Edwards.

Alice Bucker (TH 2011)
Pool

This year has been a very successful year for College Pool. The acquisition of a new table at the start of Lent has led to a large increase in the number of pool players, with over 50 students now playing regularly. This wide pool of talent has proven itself in the results of the College teams. The Firsts enjoyed their debut season in Division One, finishing third overall and also winning the Cup. The Seconds won the Third Division, and with that sealed promotion to Division Two for next year. The Thirds finished second in their Division, which was enough to also gain promotion to Division Two. On an individual level, there has also been success with Yun-\-quing Guan (TH 2009) winning the University Novices Tournament and going on to represent Cambridge in this year’s Varsity Match.

Ben Davey (TH 2010)

Rugby

For many people, Trinity Hall Rugby Union Field Club (RUFC) are like the Harlem Globetrotters; skilful and exciting to watch. However, they also bear other resemblances; they play very infrequently, and every team member considers themselves a superstar in their own minds. Having been a regular presence in Division Two for three long years now, they had an early celebration when they can mathematically no longer be relegated, and plan for a celebration when they get promoted, which sadly they never do. In Cup competitions, they blow hot and cold; last season Plate semi-finalists, this season eliminated from the Cup in the second round. Consistency is by no means their strong point.

Aside from College matches, numerous players have gone onwards and upwards to represent some level of University rugby this year; mainly for the invitational Colleges XV, but also infrequently for the U21’s, and even the LX’s club (the University’s second team). We are a diverse and open team, welcoming discarded grads from around Cambridge into our fold, and also infrequently fielding ineligible players from other universities, who only came to visit their friends for a big Wednesday night out, but inevitably turn out for the Black and White on the Thursday.

THRUFC is a team of dreamers, believers, and able rugby players. For a College of our size, we punch way above our weight; and we sometimes even manage to get 15 players to far away destinations like Homerton or Girton.

John Ledger (TH 2009)
**Ski Team**

Following last year’s success in the indoor ski Cuppers, the ski team had quite a reputation to live up to. Luckily the team stepped up to the challenge and secured a result in the top four during Cuppers on the Varsity trip, only losing one race to the nearly-all Blues ski team from Trinity. During the indoor Cuppers at Milton Keynes Ski Dome the team managed to do one better, securing third place after John’s and Trinity.

*Robert Sills (TH 2009)*

**Squash**

The Trinity Hall Squash Team started the 2011/12 season in a confident mood. The whole of the team from last year remained, a good crop of Freshers had joined the club, and most importantly we were in the Fourth Division, and only had the likes of Trinity III to beat. A string of good performances led to us winning all our games and sealing promotion with a week to spare. First year Tom Bailey (TH 2011) deserves particular mention, having played at first seed throughout the term he won each game 3-0, proving himself comfortably the best player in the Division. In the last week of term the team also advanced to the last 16 of Cuppers, seeing off Second Division Christ’s II by five games to love.

Hopes were high of a successful campaign in Lent and the possibility of back-to-back promotions was a real one. Matches did finally start to happen in the final weeks of term (four in four days), which was enough to take the team to a comfortable mid-table position. The Cuppers run was sadly ended in the third round by a Blues-laden John’s team.

All in all the season was a successful one. The team performed well in each and every match it played, and individually everyone improved throughout the year, partly thanks to the midweek training sessions that ran through Michaelmas and Lent. More generally the Wychfield courts were in constant use throughout the year for casual games, and large numbers continue to play on a regular basis. Moving forward, I am sure the club will continue to thrive in the coming years, for which Tom Bailey (TH 2011) will be captain. I wish him the best of luck.

*Jamie Coen (TH 2010)*

**Tennis (Women’s)**

The Trinity Hall Women’s Tennis team drew Fitz in both the League and Cuppers competition this year. Unfortunately, a sprained ankle and
strong opposition meant Fitz claimed a 6-0 victory. Trinity Hall drew 3-3 with Newnham but narrowly lost out by one game. Lizzie Thompson (TH 2009) played an especially impressive game of tennis to win her singles 6-1, despite having not picked up a racket since last year! Hopefully next year will see a few more enthusiastic Freshers joining the team as we fight to be promoted back in to the Championship Division!

*Georgina Kilbourn (TH 2009)*
Section Four

Trinity Hall Association
Trinity Hall Association Committee
(as at July 2012)

Officers
President: Dr Nigel Chancellor (TH 1990)
Vice President: Colin Hayes (TH 1962)
Secretary: Dr Chris Angus (TH 1967)
Treasurer: Martin Ainsley-Young (TH 1985)

Committee
Andrew Burr (TH 1977) Jackie Horne (TH 1985)
Krishna Chatterjee (TH 2003 Grad) Andrew Lennon (TH 1998 Grad)
Bob Ely (TH 1950) Michael Womack (TH 1966)

Report from the THA Secretary

I write this report within a few days of hearing of the unexpected death of Dennis Avery (TH 1980), President of the Association from 2003 to 2006. Dennis was instrumental in re-invigorating and re-inventing the THA and in ensuring, at the time that he was leading the centenary celebrations, that we would have a healthy THA for at least the next century. He generously endowed the Association, not only enabling us to run the programme of events that we do and fund the THA Awards, but also ensuring that everyone who matriculates at the Hall automatically becomes a member of the THA for life. But his real generosity was the time he gave, his vision, his fellowship, his humanity, his great enthusiasm and his ability to work collaboratively with people. He leaves behind a great legacy of which the THA in its present form is part. We were very grateful that Barry Lewis (TH 1959), a past Secretary of the Association and a personal friend of Dennis and Sally, was able to fly to San Diego to represent us at the funeral.

Events

The Association has been on tour around the UK again this year with some singularly impressive venues. On Friday 28 October the Association ventured north of the border for a dinner in the Signet Library, Edinburgh. This proved to be a spectacular venue, and a very good turnout of members and their guests from both sides of the border enjoyed drinks in the Upper Library – described by George IV as “the finest drawing
room in Europe” – before being piped into dinner by Malcolm Innes (TH 1959). We enjoyed a magnificent meal and conversation flowed freely until well past the appointed time for the dinner to end.

Spring saw us in the Principality on Friday 20 April for dinner in the National Museum of Wales in Cardiff – a particularly nostalgic setting for the Master. Before dinner the guests assembled for drinks in the Impressionist and Modern Art galleries – the Museum houses one of Europe’s finest art collections. The wine and animated conversation continued to flow as we sat down to a very fine dinner in the Grand Hall. After dinner there was time to mingle further, and also to visit the exceptionally fine ceramic collection, including an installation by Edmund de Waal (TH 1983).

Later this year we will be in Derbyshire hosting a dinner on Friday 12 October at Haddon Hall, a medieval manor house that has been described as “the most complete and most interesting house of its period”. Dinner will be preceded by a tour of the house and drinks in the banqueting hall.

The 2011 Annual Dinner was held in College on Saturday 24 September, immediately after the AGM. Following on from the success of the 2010 Annual Dinner we again decided to go for an ambitious menu accompanied by wines of notable quality – a formula that we intend to stay with. The Dinner was our opportunity to bid farewell to Sarah Webbe (TH 1981) as the outgoing President, an occasion marked by the presentation of an engraved silver tun by the Association and the Master and Fellows in recognition of the enormous contribution that she has made. At the start of the dinner we also said our farewells to Nigel Fletcher retiring as Catering Manager having joined the kitchens of Trinity Hall in 1974. We shall also miss Joseph Risino who has retired as Manciple after 19 years.

In addition the Association has subsidised a number of smaller private gatherings of alumni during the year.

**Support for Students**

In 2012 the Association granted awards to three students; one to work in Mexico with the Armonia Charity which, among other things, supports the education and development of the indigenous Mexican community; one to work in Recife in Brazil with the Christian Mission Latin Link project with young children and the final one to work in northern Thailand with the Karen Hills Tribes project, teaching and working on the provision of fresh water supplies.

In late October 2011 we again co-hosted, with the Nick Nicholson fund, a Careers Seminar organised by Andrew Burr (TH 1977) and Dr Rachelle Stretch – a popular Michaelmas Term feature.
Officers and Committee Members

At the AGM in September 2011 (available on our website at, www.trinhall.cam.ac.uk/THA), held immediately before the Annual Dinner, the proposed changes in officers were endorsed by the assembled membership: Dr Nigel Chancellor (TH 1990) was duly elected President in succession to Sarah Webbe (TH 1981), Colin Hayes (TH 1962) was elected to the new post of Vice President and I took over from Colin as Secretary. In addition Juliet Day (TH 1990), having previously been co-opted, was elected to the Committee.

During the year we were sorry to lose Katerina Biliouri (TH 2000) from the Committee. Katerina had regularly traveled from Greece to attend meetings of the Committee, but that had become increasingly difficult. In order to fill the gaps on the Committee we have co-opted David Lock (TH 2006) and Andrew Lennon (TH 1998).

The Association is hugely dependent upon the work done by the Alumni and Development Office – we are fortunate to be so efficiently and tirelessly supported and we do give our very sincere thanks to them for all their efforts on our behalf.

A very big thank you is also due to the Master and to Dr Daunton. Not only do Martin and Claire attend virtually every THA event but they also do so much to welcome alumni back to the College.

Dr Chris Angus (TH 1967)
We have been informed of the following Honours, Appointments and Personal News

Mr Andrew Arthur recently released a CD recording of the Andrew Garlick harpsichord, after Goujon, 1748 entitled *Harpsichord*. He was also appointed as an Affiliated Lecturer at the Faculty of Music on 26 July 2012.

Professor Sir Roy Calne (Honorary Fellow) has been honoured with the 2012 Lasker-DeBakey Clinical Medical Research Award with Dr Thomas Starzl (University of Pittsburgh), for their pioneering work on liver transplantation.


Dr Luke Clark was appointed to a University Senior Lectureship in the Department of Experimental Psychology, with effect from 1 October 2012.

Professor Peter Clarke (Honorary Fellow) published *Mr Churchill’s Profession: statesman, orator, writer* in July 2012.

Professor John Clarkson (Vice-Master) was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the University of Leiden.

Dr Matthew Conaglen was appointed to a Chair in Equity and Trusts at the University of Sydney, which he will take up in September 2012.

Dr Elena Cooper was awarded a Yorke Prize by the Faculty of Law, Cambridge for her PhD *Art, Photography, Copyright: A History of Photographic Copyright 1850–1911*. This is awarded for a thesis of exceptional quality, which makes a substantial contribution to its relevant field of legal knowledge.

Dr Damian Crowther married Dr Sara Imarisio in Turin on 5 November 2011.

Dr Farhan Feroz was awarded a Leverhulme/Newton Trust Early Career Fellowship.

Dr Simon Guest was appointed Deputy Head (Teaching) of the Department of Engineering from 1 April 2012.

Dr Albert Guillén i Fàbregas was appointed Reader in the Department of Engineering, but subsequently has moved to a new position as Head of Group and ICREA Research Professor at the Universitat Pompeu Fabra.

Professor Andy Hopper (TH 1974) has been appointed President of the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) from 1 October 2012 until 30 September 2013. It is one of the largest Engineering Institutions in the world with over 150,000 members.

Professor Michael Kelly published *Intrinsic Top-Down Unmanufacturability*, which went viral on the internet. It describes a whole class of nanoscale structures that cannot be manufactured by known conventional methods.

Dr Laura Kirkley (TH 2004) married Tristan White in the College on 24 August 2012.

Dr Vasant Kumar was awarded an Honorary Degree of Doctor of Engineering by the University of Malaysia in Perlis on 17 September 2011.

Professor John Langbein, Sterling Professor of Law and Legal History at Yale Law School, has been elected a Corresponding Fellow of the British Academy.

Dr Fraser MacBride was appointed to the Professorship of Philosophy at the University of Glasgow.

Dr Isabelle McNeill published *Memory and the Moving Image: French Film in the Digital Era* in May 2012.

Professor James Montgomery was elected to the Sir Thomas Adams’s Professorship of Arabic, a post founded in 1632, the oldest chair of Arabic in the UK and one of the oldest outside of the Arabic-speaking world. He will take up his post from 1 October 2012.

Dr John Pollard (TH 1963) was appointed a member of the Academic Board of the John XXIII Foundation for the Religious Sciences in Bologna, Italy.

Dr Lucia Prauscello was appointed University Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Classics with effect from 1 October 2012.


Professor Jonathan Steinberg has been pleased to be invited to the Frankfurt Book Fair, 2012, in October to celebrate the German edition of *Bismarck: A Life* (Oxford University Press, 2011) to be published by Propylaen Verlag of Berlin, part of the Ullstein Group. In addition contracts have been signed for Russian, Japanese, Chinese, Romanian, Danish and Portuguese editions. The book was shortlisted for the Duff Cooper Prize for non-fiction earlier in the year.
# Appointments

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# Long Service Awards

**10 Years**

- Richard Bell 29 October 2001
- Rachel Bell 8 January 2002
- Marta Jankos 14 January 2002
- Mark Nicholls 18 February 2002

**20 Years**

- Debra Hewitt 4 January 1992
Alumni News

We have been informed of the following news from Alumni

1950–59

1939 Dr John Walshe published in the Quarterly Journal of Medicine 2012 v419-424.

1952 Mr Jack Lindsay and his wife Jane Lindsay (née Silvers) celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Saturday 8 September 2011.

1955 Mr Presanna Nimal Wikramanayake was recently appointed as a Justice of The Court of Appeal in Fiji for a term of two years.

1957 Emeritus Professor Donald Kelly was elected to Honorary Membership of the European College of Veterinary Pathologists of which he was the Foundation President. He is the only British veterinary pathologist to have been so honoured.

1959 Mr Alexander Chancellor was awarded a CBE for services to Journalism in the 2012 Birthday Honours List.

1960–69

1962 Mr Colin Hayes captained the Cambridge University Long Range Rifle Club to an 18 point victory over the visiting National Australian Match Rifle team in July 2012.

1962 Mr Guy Scott was appointed Vice-President of Zambia in October 2011.

1964 Dr Julian Toms was elected FRCGP at a ceremony in London at the College of General Practitioners in December 2011.

1966 Mr George Chamier published Greatest British Prime Ministers in February 2012.

The Rt Hon Lord Justice John Thomas was appointed President of the Queen’s Bench Division with effect from 3 October 2011.

1967 Mr Philip Venning retired after 28 years as Secretary of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings. Marking the end of his time, on behalf of the SPAB he accepted a European Union Cultural Heritage Prize/Europa Nostra Award from Placido Domingo and the EU Commissioner for Culture. The international event – the heritage version of the Oscars – took place in Lisbon, hosted by the President of Portugal. He was also awarded the Queen Mother Memorial Medal for services to the building crafts at a ceremony in London on 16 November 2011. It is only the third time the Medal has been awarded.
1968 Dr David Billett published ‘Structure and Spectroscopy’ in Chemistry Review (2011) volume 21. He also contributed recently to a BBC2 documentary about the Nobel prize winning novelist William Golding, who had taught him at school.


1980–89
1983 Dr Clifford Williams published 111 Years of Policing Winchester in May 2012.

1985 Dr Julia Crook (née Carpenter) gained a PhD in Quantifying Climate Feedbacks from the University of Leeds in June 2012. She is delighted to announce the arrival of her son, Samuel James Crook, born on 30 November 2011 weighing 3.3 kg.

1987 Ms Melanie Jones was recently elected President of the Barbados International Business Association, and appointed a director of the Barbados Entrepreneurship Foundation and a director of the Barbados Private Sector Association.

1990–99
1990 Dr Victoria Frede published Doubt, Atheism and Nineteenth Century Russian Intelligenisa in November 2011.

1994 Mr Andrew Miller’s debut novel Snowdrops was shortlisted for the Booker Prize in September 2011.

Dr Iain Whitaker (TH 1994 and TH 1997) was married to Dr Sairan Koron on 11 August 2012 at Trinity Hall. He was appointed Professor of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at Swansea University and Consultant Plastic Surgeon at the Welsh Centre for Burns and Plastic Surgery at Swansea University.

1995 Mr Steve Buckley and Mrs Amy Buckley (née Parker) are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Matthew Frank Buckley, on 1 December 2011.

1997 Mr Simon Halliwell has started his own business in transactional construction law, servicing domestic and international construction clients.

1998 Mr Peter McCambridge published a translation of J’haïs le hockey by François Barcelo as I Hate Hockey in October 2011. He has also been awarded the John Dryden Translation Prize by the British Comparative Literature Association for that year’s best unpublished translation of poetry, prose, or drama from any period into English.
2000–2009

2000  Mr Isaac Chun-Hai Fung married Chi-Ngai Cheung on 23 June 2012 at St John's Cathedral, Hong Kong.

Mr Vladimir Kara-Murza and his wife, Evgenia, are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Danil Vladimirovich Kara-Murza, on 7 November 2011, a brother to Ekaterina and Sofia. He also published the book Reform or Revolution: The Quest for Responsible Government in the First Russian State Duma in 2011.

Dr David Ranc published Foreign Players and Football Supporters: The Old Firm, Arsenal, Paris Saint-Germain in December 2011.

2002  Mr Marcel Hernandez and his wife Sara are delighted to announce the birth of their son, Charlie William, on 5 January 2012.

2005  Miss Laura MacLeod Brown and Alex Cotham (Robinson College, 2003) were married at Trinity Hall on 31 August 2012.

2007  Ms Louise Hardiman and Richard Pinhey were married in a civil ceremony at Clandon Park, Surrey, on 21 October 2011.

Deaths

We are saddened to report that we have been informed of the following deaths:

1929  Mr Harry Lumsden died on 21 November 2011
1932  Mr David Marples (Emeritus Fellow) died on 26 September 2012
1935  Dr John Atwell died recently
1939  Dr Aubrey Leatham died on 12 August 2012
1940  Dr Peter Castle died on 24 December 2011
      Mr Peter Hey died on 31 March 2012
      Mr George Leggett died on 1 May 2012
1941  Professor Kingsley Weatherhead died on 29 August 2011
1943  Mr Peter Osborn died on 4 December 2012
1942  Mr William Pooley died on 9 May 2012
1944  Dr Neil Dallas died on 29 April 2012
      Wing Commander Ken Hannah died in 2011
1945  Mr David Kane died in February 2012
      Mr Malcolm Morham died on 9 November 2011
      Mr Ian Wilson died on 11 June 2012
1946  Mr Ian Paul died in August 2011
      Mr David West died in May 2011
1947  Mr John Bowman died on 22 April 2012
Mr Hugh Carless died on 20 December 2011
Mr Douglas Hayward died on 4 December 2011
Mr Robert Jenner died on 2 February 2012

1948
Mr Sydney Andrew died in November 2011
Mr Radclyffe Cadman died on 3 October 2011
Mr David Edwards died in June 2012
Mr Anthony Evans died on 5 January 2012
Mr Warwick Hele died on 4 August 2011
The Revd John Guttridge died recently

1949
Dr Dick Farmer died on 9 May 2012

1950
Mr Henry Clark died on 24 March 2012

1951
Mr William Doar died on 4 April 2012
Dr Brian Latham died in 2011
The Revd David Ridgway died on 14 February 2012

1952
Mr Glen Armstrong died on 1 March 2012
Professor Peter Lissaman died on 11 March 2012

1953
Dr Marcus Lefebure died on 20 March 2012
The Revd Canon Anthony Montgomery died in July 2012

1954
Air Vice-Marshal Mike Brown died on 21 July 2011
Mr Colin Fraser died on 22 February 2012
Professor Murray Fraser died on 26 May 2012
The Revd Canon Guy Smith died in February 2012

1955
Mr Timothy Pratt died on 23 November 2011

1956
Dr Brian Jones died recently

1958
Mr John Smith died on 15 February 2012

1960
His Honour John Toulmin died on 2 July 2012

1961
Dr Robin Collins died in December 2011

1962
Mr Ron Watts died on 7 June 2012

1965
Mr Malcolm Carlisle died on 24 November 2011

1967
Mr Colin Loveday died in March 2012

1971
The Revd John Suddards died on 15 February 2012

1977
Dr Alan Sensier died on 20 October 2011

1980
Mr Dennis Avery died on 23 July 2012
Mr Simon Silvester died on 5 September 2012
Ms Alison Wetherfield died on 31 July 2012

Professor S W Toby Jackman (Visiting Scholar) died on 27 February 2011
Mr Richard Newton (Emeritus Fellow) died on 2 February 2012
Mr Cliff Pratten (Emeritus Fellow) died on 12 December 2011
The Hon Barnaby Howard (friend) died on 18 December 2011

Links to obituaries can be found on the web and on the Gazette Section of www.THalumni.net where alumni can post personal tributes.
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Trinity Hall Year Representatives 2011/2012

1936  Bevis Sanford
1949  Ian Romer
1950  Bob Ely
1951  His Honour Angus Macdonald
1952  Dr Keith Humphreys
1953  John Russell
1954  Dominic Brooks
1955  Miles Halford
1956  Michael Shipley
1957  His Honour Freddie Marr-Johnson
1958  Peter Hill
1959  Richard Devitt
1960  Julian Ebsworth  
      Dr John Waddington
1961  Andrew Medlicott
1962  Colin Hayes
1963  Dr Edward Pank
1964  Dr Tom Bigge
1965  Sir David Bell
1966  Martin Williams
1967  Dr Chris Angus
1968  Henry Poole
1969  Simon Jones
1970  Tim Stevenson
1971  John Ellard
1972  Geoff Gardiner
1973  Roy Warden
1974  Judge Guy Brannan
1975  Nick Eastwell
1976  Rob Highmore
1977  Andrew Burr
   Mrs Lizzie Iron (née Shaw)
1978  Christopher Grigg & Dr Fionna Grigg (née Stirling)
1979  Roger McKinlay
1980  Dr Geoff Parks:
1981  Sarah Webbe
1982  Alan Brinson
   Tim Steele
1983  Mrs Cathy Staveley (née Kendall)
1984  Andrew Moore
   Mrs Sue Zealley (née Whalley)
1985  Jackie Horne

1986  Dr Tim Jervis
(Grads) Dr Harry Bradshaw

1987  Luisa Caruso
(Grads) Ross Cann

1988  Mrs Helen Powell (née White)
(Grads) New Year Rep Wanted

1989  Mrs Arwen Johnson (née Handley)
(Grads) Dr Andrew Pauza

1990  Nick Jamieson
Dr Anna Shrimpton (née Wilson)
(Grads) New Year Rep Wanted

1991  Dr David Sims-Williams
(Grads) Dr Mark Field

1992  Chaz Dheer
(Grads) Jonathan Cornwell

1993  Mrs Liz Cohen (née Phillips)
Lee Davidson
(Grads) New Year Rep Wanted

1994  Alastair Chapman
(Grads) Dr Sarah Barrett Jones

1995  New Year Rep Wanted
(Grads) Dr Alex Schroeder

1996  Helen Barraclough
1996  (Grads) Dr Eric Breton
1997  Kirsten Etheridge
       Dan Smith
       (Grads) Dr Bent Grøver
1998  Dr Laura Jeffery
       Richard Morrison
       (Grads) Dr Marina Terkourafi
1999  Mrs Amy Foxton (née Burchell)
       Tim Nixon
       (Grads) Dr Andrew Lennon
2000  Jill Goodier
       Anna McKay
       (Grads) Kat Biliouri
2001  Frances Denniss
       Ben Rawlings
       (Grads) Dr Shufan Lin
2002  Paul Murphy
       James Thomas
       (Grads) Jenny Ifft
2003  Katja Armstrong
       Helen Scott
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2004  Clare Harris
       Hannah Mabbutt
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