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From The President, OPA

Dear Members,

Firstly I would like to convey my congratulations to the Old Priorian Rugby Football Club on their recent promotion from Herts/Middlesex 1 to the London Leagues. The club has gone from strength to strength over the past four years and I wish them all the best for the season in London 3 North West.

Congratulations also to Nathan Garnham (2010) who has been chosen for this year's Old Priorian Award. Nathan will embark upon a five week

science research and community project expedition to the Peruvian Amazon this summer with the British Schools Exploring Society (BSES). During the expedition, he will map and survey the relatively unexplored area around the Yanayaquillo River in the Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve before travelling downriver to spend time with the indigenous people of the Cocama settlement of Nueva Africa. I look forward to being able to share Nathan's own account of his travels with you in our next issue.

Finally, my sincere thanks to Abban Murphy – our guest speaker at the President's Dinner in March; you can

read Abban's own words about his time at St Benedict's in this issue, as well as a number of other Old Priorian events – including the Class of 2010 Christmas reunion, Ian Blackaller's 1950's vintage lunch at Shampers and more – thanks to our many contributors.

I hope that you enjoy this issue and ask that you keep sending in your news, stories and photographs.

Godspeed.

*Paul Fagan (OP 1991)
President, The Old Priorian Association*

Annual General Meeting and Memorial Mass 2011

It is probably a known fact for all organisations which have an elected body to run them, that the Annual General Meeting is not the most popular of events. In spite of this the OPA manage to have a turnout on the day representing many year groups and interests of its members. So it was that twenty seven of us, OPs, and guests, gathered on Saturday 12th November 2011. At the AGM reports concerning the past year's activities in the realms of Administration, Finance, Membership and Sport were presented and the work of Council approved by vote. To take just one item on membership from these reports – there are now 993 members of the Association of whom nearly 750 are Life Members who joined under the new

system of paying a life subscription whilst in the last two years at School, introduced in 2002. We are holding email details for 44% of our membership. As part of the reports, the Headmaster gave a very full account of the School's position with regard to the current adverse publicity relating to child abuse; this was very well received by all. Officers and Council for 2011-2012 were elected; there was no change in the Association's Council, save that Rosalind Fagan retired and Malcolm Lewis (1996) was elected to Council.

Following the AGM our Annual Memorial Mass was concelebrated in the Newman Chapel of the Abbey by our Chaplain, Dom Thomas Stapleford and

Fr Ted Wildsmith (1954). Four CCF cadets together with their SSI, Captain Alastair Grant were on duty and provided the Guard of Honour for the Laying of the Wreath by our President Paul Fagan (1991). Our special thanks to Cherry Willow-Pauls our organist and to the CCF Party for the very dignified part they carried out.

After Mass the usual social occasion of drinks and lunch was held in the Benet Bar adjacent to the Abbey – our thanks to Giovanni Persano, bar manager and to Concetta Vager, caterer for their usual excellent services.

*Richard Baker (1959)
Assistant Administrator, OPA*

2010 Leavers Christmas Reunion

On a cold evening in December, over fifty 'Recent Leavers' of the 2010 vintage gathered in the Benet Bar for the annual Christmas Reunion. Thanks to a generous donation from the Old Priorian Association, money was able to be placed behind the bar and everyone was

in good spirits!

This was the first time that many people had seen each other since going to university, travelling round the world on their gap years or re-applying to university, so it was a fantastic opportunity to reacquaint ourselves with

our various activities. It was also great to see Bene's boys and girls, who wouldn't usually socialise outside of school, having such a good time together.

One former pupil, who wished to remain anonymous, said "It was such an informal gathering but everyone had

The Old Priorian Newsletter always welcomes contributions from Old Boys and Girls about their experiences at the School, life after school and details of reunions. Please contact the Editor, Mary Keal c/o The Old Priorian Association, St Benedict's School, 54 Eaton Rise, Ealing, London W5 2ES

great fun; it was so good to see so many of our former classmates”.

Thanks must be given to the OPA for

their handsome subsidy towards the event, and also to Giovanni in the Benet Bar who was rushed off his feet! A good

time was had by all and all feedback has been very positive.

Oran Doyle (2010)

President's Dinner 2012

One hundred and two OPs and their guests sat down to Dinner in the Royal Over-Seas League, Piccadilly on the evening of 22nd March 2012. Most year groups were represented and all had the chance to catch up with old friends – Head Boy Matthew Roberts and Head Girl Rhianna Ilube represented the next generation of OPs joining us on leaving School in Summer 2012, whilst the most senior member present was David Sabin (1952).

After the President of the Association, Paul Fagan (1991), had spoken and proposed a Toast to the School, the Headmaster Chris Cleugh summarised the year's events and responded with a Toast to the Association. Our guest of honour this year was Abban Murphy who had retired from St Benedict's the previous summer after 28 years service; Abban was Head of RE for much of that time, and he reminisced about his time at St Benedict's, much to the enjoyment of all. Abban has written the following account of his evening with us:

I am most grateful to the President, Paul Fagan, and to the Association for inviting me to be the guest of honour at this year's dinner. I was delighted to meet Old Priorians of all ages (not a few still quite young!) and to see faces that had been before me framed with green and black uniforms now looking even more distinguished in evening dress. My only regret was that the depletion of brain cells that I have suffered since I had last seen them, hampered my ability instantly to put names to these same faces which have never been forgotten nor absent from my affections. The spirit of the large crowd of former Benny Boys and

Benny Girls was as it always was, warm and friendly with no false standing on ceremony or toleration of unnecessary silence.

In my speech I recalled how this spirit had been manifested at times of difficulty, like at the funerals of OPs, so that sorrow was transcended and hope reaffirmed.

I also referred to the fact that the School had been through a difficult time. Innocent young people had been hurt and it would be wrong to minimise in any way what had happened, while it would also be wrong to forget the good that had been done by the dedicated monks, the headmasters, teachers, support staff, governors, pupils and parents – the pupils and their parents who contribute mightily to the success of the School. This good is not something temporary but always abides and is woven into the fabric of our lives and will, with the grace of the Good Lord, grow in us until we become the people we are destined to be.



Fr Abbot, Rob Simmons(1987) and Abban Murphy

I paid tribute to an OP, Professor Dennis O'Keeffe (1957), who wished to attend the dinner but could not because he is paralysed after an accident. We can all learn a great deal from his faith and courage.

I told yarns of the humming choirs in the Reading Room being interrupted by Ian Stephen and his identical twin brother, Duncan, of Dennis Costello's fortune-telling for charity in the guise of Mystic Maeve, hair restored with a green wig and of Robin Nonhebel's being mistaken for James Bond. I could have gone on but ...

I was delighted to meet with former colleagues I had not seen for some time: Basil Nickerson, David Sabin, Richard Baker, Ian Stephen, Marek Nalewajko, Catherine de Cintra, Diana Simmons and the School's selfless and irreplaceable chaplain, Fr Thomas. In my toast to St Benedict's at Ealing, I paid tribute to the leadership of Abbot Martin, Chris Cleugh and Rob Simmons,



Michael Ciuperceanu (2009), Tom Fyans (2009) and Jonathan Surr (2009)



Rhianna Ilube and Matthew Roberts



... and many others

three good men whom I was also delighted to see, who have been much tested in recent times and who have overcome difficulties with courage and grace.

Above all, I enjoyed meeting the Old Priorians and much appreciated their warm and friendly reception. All that remains is to thank Paul Fagan for inviting me and for all his hard work in organising the event. God bless you all.

In preparing this statement I inveigled Paul to give me more time having been influenced by the good old St Benedict's pupil tradition of the ECD (elastic coursework deadline)!

Abban Murphy
Staff 1983-2011

More Food for the Over Sixties

Since the last Newsletter the regulars of Ian Blackaller's reunion lunch for the 50s vintage have met twice, in November 2011 and March 2012. On each occasion new faces joined for the first time; perhaps it is just as well that some of the regulars are unable to attend each time or we would soon not be able to lunch comfortably at Shampers, just off Regent Street in London. Our "leisurely" lunch takes nearly four hours by the time the last leave to wend their way homewards.

In November twenty five gathered, our largest number ever, seeing Brendan Caulfield (1963), Mike Henderson (1956), and Eugene Ring (1958) for the first time. The regulars attending, all from the 50s, were: Ian Blackaller, Bernard Stutt, Tony Phillips, John Lindley, James Anscomb, Anthony Baker, Brian Lee, Peter Delaloye, John



(L to R) Gordon Wilson, Brian Taylor, Mike Henderson and David Randell

McGrath, Michael Rapazzini, Kevin Hannigan, Richard Baker, Tony Brunning, David Randell, Brian Clancy, Maurice Mulcahy, Tony Sparks, Brian Taylor, Tony Trigg and Basil Nickerson (staff from that vintage!).

On a glorious summer day in March this

year, nineteen met over lunch. To crib from Ian's attendance list with shades of a 50s style rollcall, Blackaller, Hannigan, Stutt, Caulfield, Baker 1, Baker 2, Wilson, Lindley, Phillips, Anscomb, Brunning, Mulcahy Clancy, Japes, Sparkes, Maguire and Henderson answered "adsum" and for the first time Bob Davies (1959) and Pat Cox (1958) joined us.

Ian Blackaller does a great job in keeping us informed and organising these get-togethers in such an agreeable location where we can gather to reminisce, eat and drink; our grateful thanks go to him for his hard work.

The second photo ("7 old men") was taken by Paul Hoban (1983) who works just up the road from Shampers and happened to be passing as the last remnant of the March lunch were leaving for home; Paul happened to recognise the Association's Assistant Administrator and kindly obliged with the camera! Many Thanks, Paul.



(L to R) Anthony Baker, Brian Clancy, John Lindley, Bernard Stutt, Bob Davies, Tony Japes and Richard Baker

Richard Baker (1959)

From Canada Fifty Years On ...

In the last Newsletter we reported on the reunion lunch held in the School in September 2011. As we said then we were delighted to have with us Frank Flower (1960) from Canada. Frank tells us of his thoughts on coming back to St Benedict's after so long an absence:

I emerged from Ealing Broadway station one bright Sunday last September wondering what the next few hours had in store. It had been over fifty years since I had been in the area and in taking the underground I had retraced the daily journey I used to take many years ago and things seemed quite surreal.

I looked around for familiar things. The ABC Bakery was no longer there but the steps beside it which led down to the railway tracks where hours of train spotting took place were still there. How about a number 65 or 97 bus to take me to the school? No such luck; the traffic flow at Ealing Broadway had been converted to a one-way system and buses were not going in the direction I wanted. Oh look – The taxi rank is still there! Even the old green shed seems to be the same. So into a taxi I hopped. And on the way towards Eaton Rise I saw another familiar thing – the horse trough at the corner of Haven Green. I began to feel more comfortable and reflected on the fact that I have seen many horse troughs in my life but I don't think I ever saw a horse drinking from one.

The meeting of Old Priorians from 1955-1965 was at "The Cloisters". I thought this had to be part of the Abbey so after the taxi dropped me off on the Junior School terrace this is where I headed. Memories of walking with my classmates to the Abbey for mass each week came flooding back. Sunday mass had finished

but there were many people still there. The Benet Club seemed to be a popular place. The lady in the bookshop told me "The Cloisters" was in the school and to make my way there via Marchwood Crescent.

I saw people going into a building and assumed this was the right place. But no. It was the gymnasium. It was very busy. Basketball seemed to be the popular attraction. I was most impressed because it was evident that the Abbey and school are successfully engaging with the community.

I finally found "The Cloisters". Groups of people were standing and chatting and I looked around for any face that was remotely familiar because I assumed people would instantly recognize me. Surely 50 years hasn't changed us that much. Has it? I'm afraid it has. As introductions were made, hands shaken, backs slapped I regretted not recognizing certain individuals before the introduction. Perhaps there should be a rule at these functions that people are given 30 seconds to stare at each other before names are revealed.

We sat ten to a table and enjoyed a splendid lunch during which I tried to condense 50 years into a few minutes of conversation. This proved to be a difficult task. In that span of time people had married, had children and grandchildren, built a career and retired. In my case the last event had occurred the previous week. It was interesting to look around the other tables and say "My gosh. Isn't that so-and-so. He's hardly changed". On the other hand, as people passed by I strained to read their name tags and in some cases said inwardly "Good Lord. How can that possibly be

so-and-so? Someone must be using his name tag". I made a mental list to collar some of them after lunch to talk to.

After lunch I was delighted to talk to Father Dunstan. He was one of the people who was responsible for engendering a lifelong love for opera in me. I think he remembered me. I also spoke to Cecil Friedlander. He also remembered me and reminded me of the voluntary Saturday mornings a few avid botanists spent on Wimbledon Common identifying the plant life there. I had completely forgotten about these excursions.

Then we were given a tour of the school. Of course many changes had been made to the buildings but we went into some of the classrooms and again memories came to me. Brian Clancy told the delightful story of when he interrupted Mr Connolly's English class. He needed some books from his desk which was being used by another student. "Please Mr Connolly, can I get some books from my desk?". Mr Connolly, who never missed an opportunity to correct one's English grammar, said "Yes, Clancy, you can, but you may not".

As we roamed the corridors I found myself reflecting on those who had played a major part in my early development: Mesdames Straub and Rowsell; Messrs Farrell, Jenner, Esdale, Radford, Bostock, Fowler, Williamson, Connolly, Walker, Simister, Coffey, Harrison, Hanley, Crompton, Westby, Bowyer and Friedlander (I'm sure I've forgotten a few); together with Doms Clement, Phillip, Gerard, Kevin, Bernard, Dunstan, George, Casimir and Weiss.



A little Flower in the Junior School (1952)



The Flower leaves St Benedict's (1960)



The fully bloomed Flower

The new chapel and the gymnasium are very impressive. The continental café, for use by sixth formers only, is a brilliant idea. In my day we had to go to the Caprice in Ealing Broadway to get that continental grown-up feeling. Of course, for some there was The Wheatsheaf, the outside of which, dear reader, is all I ever saw!!

On behalf of all attendees I wish to express sincere thanks to Brian Taylor

and Richard Baker for all their hard work and organization. You provided us with a truly unique experience (Tautology. Editor: Please remove the word 'truly'. I'm sorry, Mr Connolly. Editor – certainly not: What you have written ...). Thanks also to the school for the use of "The Cloisters" and to the caterers. In particular, the rhubarb pie with custard was delicious.

It is very strange stepping back 50 years

or so in time. The feeling of surrealism stayed with me and I wondered what feelings would be experienced by one of today's students should he or she return in 50 years time. What significant changes would he or she observe? What would be the same? Will the Haven Green horse trough still be there? What a silly question. Of course it will.

Frank Flower (1950-1960)

The OPA Award

Each year the OPA will make an award for a suitable project, usually involving travel, put forward by a member of the Association who has left School recently, or who is leaving School in the coming July. In 2010 the Award was made to Sinead Leahy (2008) for her expedition to Mount Kilimanjaro – see her report and photos in the April 2011 Newsletter. In 2011 the Award went to Nathan Garnham (2010) for his planned expedition to the Amazon region in Summer 2012. Full details of the award are issued every year to the Upper Sixth and are shown below:

The Award is made by The Old Priorian Association to enable an Old Priorian Association Member to undertake some deserving activity.

Any Member of the Association in their first five years after leaving School is eligible for the Award.

In any one year a maximum of two Awards each of £250 or a single Award of £500 may be made.

An Applicant for an Award must make

their application before 30th June in any year.

An application must be made in writing or by email and sent to:

*The Secretary, Old Priorian Association,
54 Eaton Rise, Ealing, London W5 2ES*

Or: opa@stbenedicts.org.uk

Applications will be acknowledged.

An application must show full details, including timings, estimated costings and reasons for the proposed activity. The Award may only be used to offset costs associated with the proposed activity (eg Travel Expenses) and may not be used as a donation, or part of a donation, to the organisers of the activity.

The application for an Award will be judged by a panel set up by the Council of the OPA. The Award Winner(s) will be informed in writing and if timings allow the Award will be formally presented at the Annual School Prize Giving in the Michaelmas Term.

An Award having been made, it will be

financed by the Association when receipted invoices have been presented to the Association, either before or after the activity. Alternatively the Award may be paid by the Association directly to the Organisers of the proposed activity for crediting to the winner's account with them. Awards will not be paid directly to a recipient without receipted invoices.

The Recipient of an Award will undertake to provide, soon after completion of their activity, an article on their undertaken activity for publication in any Association or School publication.

The decision of the judges will be final and the OPA will not enter into any correspondence concerning the Award.

If in the opinion of the panel, none of the applications justify an Award being given, then no Award will be made that year.

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6 OPs, 11000 miles, 1 wedding and some Aussie sunshine

In January 2012, 5 OPs took 4 different routes to travel the 11000 miles from London to Melbourne to help Oriana Bisharah (1998) celebrate her marriage to Rohan Borschmann. Emma (1998, née York) and Paul Whitehouse (1998) and their daughter, Eliza (8 months old) met up with Martin Conway (1998) and Thomas Hearn (1998) in Melbourne and enjoyed the opportunity to catch up with Owen Walker (1998) who has been living in Melbourne for the last few years. The wedding was a wonderful occasion. Oriana looked beautiful, the sun came out, the drinks and canapés were plentiful, the speeches entertaining and the dancing became more fanciful



(L to R) Emma, Paul, Katie Walker, Owen, Oriana, Martin, Sara Oldham and Thomas

the more Aussie beers were consumed! It was great to be back with such a good group of friends, reminiscing and laughing just as we had in our school

days, which is now more years ago than we care to think of!

Emma Whitehouse (1998)

OPRFC Rugby Report

OPRFC have been promoted to the London Leagues; the goal has been accomplished. The season took on a somewhat symmetrical look by the time it had finished. An opening day last minute loss to Wasps Amateurs was mirrored on the final day with another last minute loss to Wasps Amateurs! In between the two fixtures however the players were highly impressive, losing only one other league fixture all season to finish second to, you guessed it, our new rivals Wasps Amateurs. Much hard work was put in during the "warm" months of pre-season and continued throughout with the players led superbly by the Captain, Andrew Wilkie (2008). After last season had become a bit of a slog it was vital to get things right again both on and off the pitch so as to not waste three years of hard work by Chairman Nick Farren (1999) and all involved with the club. Fortunately that was absolutely the case. We had key players such as Seb Oddi and Dave Haston (2006) returning from long-term injury as well as the addition of fantastic new players such as Jack Dever (2008) and Stefan Rowell (2008), Mark Hyndman, Will Rowan (2007), Joe Codrington (2002), Myles Stringer (2006) and Gabriel Tupper (2011). Finally this season the club was far more fortunate on the injury front and the ability to get the same side out consistently enabled the players to gel and pull together in the games where it really mattered. Two of those important fixtures were the home and away victories against rivals Hackney. They were dispatched comprehensively at Perivale 34-15 thanks to a Stefan Rowell hat-trick and again at their ground in late February where we recorded a highly impressive 31-3 victory that displayed



OPRFC Squad 2012

huge efficiency, defensive prowess and another attacking hat-trick this time from David Wilkie (2010).

Whilst the losses to Wasps remain very disappointing it remains a fantastic achievement for the club to have finished second in Herts/Middlesex 1 and gain promotion to London 3 North West only four years since our revival. It is testament to the high standard of rugby players that leave St Benedict's and the hours of hard work behind the scenes to enable the club to function week to week. What has also been very pleasing is the development and improvement of the Saints, the OP Second XV. After narrowly avoiding relegation from Middlesex Merit Table 2 in the 2010-11 season the team managed to reach the play-offs this year having attained a 50:50 win/loss ratio in the league. A special mention has to go to Adam Hanke (2004) who has coached from the side lines on Saturdays, as well as reinvigorating the social side of the

club, and Joe Gleeson (2004) who has been outstanding on the pitch in his oft held role as Captain.

The season officially drew to a close on Saturday 28th April with the always memorable annual Club Dinner. This year the demand for places was incredibly high with 65 people paying to attend and more who were unfortunate to have to be on the waiting list – yet another sign of the strength and success that the OPRFC is currently experiencing. The Player Awards were as follows:

Player of the Season – Damian Langley (1996)

Players' Player of the Season – Andrew Wilkie (2008)

Saints Player of the Season – Joe Gleeson (2004)

Man of Steel – Mark Hyndman

Most Improved – David Wilkie (2010)

Top Try Scorer – Seb Oddi



Myles Stringer, Seb Oddi and Craig Kimberley

Just to reflect on the awards above and two records that were made in their collection – Damian Langley (1996) became the first player in the history of the club to win back-to-back Player of the Season awards following yet another outstanding year. Secondly Seb Oddi scooped Top Try Scorer with the new club record, an unfathomable 28 tries which pips the record that he set in 2009 by one try! Seb has now scored 73 tries

in 57 games for the club. That kind of record certainly forgives him his London Oratory background!

As always the club welcomes any and all support at matches or in the form of sponsorship, especially ahead of such a big season in London 3 NW. For more information about anything to do with the club please visit <http://www.rugby-in-ealing.co.uk> or send us an email to

oldpriorianrfc@googlemail.com. Information about sponsorship can be viewed at:

http://www.rugby-in-ealing.co.uk/pages/page_17342/current-sponsors.aspx

Edd Conway (2005)

Clasped in Prayer by Lewis Hill

Why this third book from Old Priorian Hon Secretary Lewis Hill (1975) is so entitled becomes apparent when the hero of the first of his eight short stories starts to achieve 'Atman-like awareness of the Brahman mind'. The reader needs to keep his wits about him if he is not to be taken unaware by Lewis' deft denouement.

The central character of his second story also seeks solace from within his soul: he eventually learns that God loves him while there is more nicotine in the third than is nowadays politically correct. However Lewis displays an acute medical awareness which he shares generously; the hero of the fourth tale has learnt to sit still and know his God.

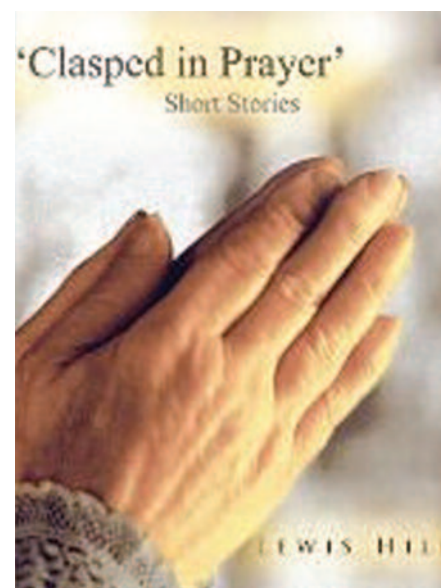
The longer fifth story owes its truthfulness to the parable of the Prodigal Son and its otherworldliness to the influence of the East, while the sixth brings us a hero on a Harley Davidson. He is called Luther but in his behaviour echoes Abraham ready to sacrifice his

son. He carries some mysterious cross-shaped sword, which ends up in a comfortingly familiar way.

A lot happens in the sixth story. Imagine being a baby imprisoned in your mother's womb; go on as an adult to imagine being imprisoned in an alcoholic haze and as an old person being similarly trammelled by disease and degeneration. Then look at things as though you were a woman giving birth, as the obstetrician attending her and the exhausted paediatrician caring for her offspring. Which one ends up confined to hospital with a serious depression enjoying electro-convulsive therapy and lithium tablets? Perhaps Lewis has used up too much of his material here.

The hero of the seventh story knows himself to be intoxicated by his own verbosity. Walking in Kew Gardens he muses magical musings, but when he gets off the 65 bus in our own Bond Street something very dramatic happens.

The resurrection of Lazarus enacted by



South African school children introduces the final story. Though it is not a happy one, there is a splendid kick in the tail.

Edd Conway (2005)

The New OPA Website

Our website has undergone a major overhaul and the new look website went live at the end of February 2012. The new format allows us to post news, stories and updates much faster, so keeping you up to date with all that is happening.

So if you have any pictures, stories, news or other posts that you would like featured then please do get in touch via the various contact forms on site: <http://theopa.org/>



The New Look

Dates for your Diaries

Diarise Now! – Full details will be published in our monthly email news and on our website when available:

OPA Golf Day 2012: Thursday 14th June 2012 – See Website for Booking details.

OPA Cricket and Tennis v. The

School: Sunday 1st July 2012. This year after many years absence it is hoped to reintroduce the traditional Tennis Match; if interested in playing please email us.

OPA Rugby Sevens and Netball Tournament: Sunday 9th September 2012.

OPA AGM, Memorial Mass and Lunch: Saturday 10th November 2012.

OPA President's Dinner: Wednesday 20th March 2013.

Births, Marriages and Deaths November 2011 – April 2012

Marriages

20 Jan 12 : Oriana Bisharah (1998) to Rohan Borschmann, at St James Old Cathedral, Melbourne, Australia

Deaths

Oct 11 : Christopher Hajduk (1975), Aged 54

18 Dec 11 : Andrew Wielogorski (1969),

Aged 60

23 Mar 12 : Bernard Creamer (1943), Aged 86

Who has been in touch with us recently...?

Since our last published newsletter the following OPs have been in contact with the Association, mainly via the "Where Are You Now?" and "Find a Classmate" sections of our website:

1954 Pertti Seeve – Finland

1957 Peter Fowles – Berks

1958 Anthony Havery – London

1961 Patrick Smith – Devon

1966 Colin MacCabe – Devon

1970 Dominic Ingram – Herts

1970 Mark Tymieniecki – London

1979 Christopher Giza – Middx

1980 Ian Assumption – Perth, Australia

1982 John Downe – London

1982 Dominic Howard – London

1983 Rosemarie Alexander – New York, USA

1988 Mark Holyfield – Queensland, Australia

1989 Doug Carter – Michigan, USA

1989 Michael Hutton – Devon

2004 Roland Chmielewski - Poland

2004 Sinan Khadouri – London

2006 William Cornforth – Edinburgh

2011 Sam O'Brien – Surrey

School News and Headmasters' Newsletters

A number of the published documents of the School (eg Newsletters, The Priorian etc) are now available on the School Website via an eBook system; unlike some of the ebook systems available, the one used does not involve downloading any software to your computer so many of you may find this a

much simpler method of viewing these documents.

Latest School News:
<http://www.stbenedicts.org.uk/index.php?>

The Headmasters' Latest Newsletters:
http://www.stbenedicts.org.uk/index.php?page_id=6

The Priorian No 139, 2010-2011:
http://www.stbenedicts.org.uk/?page_id=26

Some archived copies of the Priorian can also be viewed here.

Contact with other OPs

The OPA Office is happy to act as a "Forwarding Agency" for email contact – If you wish to contact an OP whose email address you do not have then email us and we will forward your email address to the person concerned

(provided we have an email address for them!) saying that you wish to contact them by email; he or she is then free to contact you if they wish.

Please note that we will not forward email messages – we will not act as a third party email source!