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The Record

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In early 2020 the world was awakening to the fact that Covid-19 and the outbreak crisis was escalating into a pandemic. I think it would be fair to say that, in January and February, many of us did not appreciate at all just how much our lives, in College and personally, would be changed. Cambridge is a place that I have felt – in both good and bad ways – can feel like a bubble in which we watch a changing world with little chance of it affecting our stability and way of life. This was different. Watching world maps on the news, seeing the tentacles of the pandemic reaching out to every corner of the globe was heart-breaking.

In my office, which many will remember as the office of Dr Andy Cosh in Cloister 2, I hear the guided punts and the commentary that is delivered as a constant backdrop noise to my work. I remember on one occasion the guide telling his customers about Cambridge University. He said, whilst struggling to explain the complexity of our institutional set-up, “If you were designing a University these days, you would not make it like this!” The strangeness of a centralised administration and 31 independent Colleges means decision-making is always difficult. Not only difficult but hard to do quickly. I felt this acutely when the reality of the arrival of the pandemic was upon us. There was debate, and discussion, and there were committees. This is not a criticism, more a very real complex problem.

Inevitably the processes of change most affects the students who have questions that nobody can answer quickly.

Alongside Trinity (whose new Master is the former Chief Medical Officer for England) and a handful of other colleges, we at Queens’ decided very quickly to send the students who could return home back to their families, even though the Lent Term had not quite finished. This was, of course, not straightforward; Mum and Dad cannot just drive here to pick up their loved ones. International students had to try and book flights, those whose home is here and did not have anywhere else to go, and those for whom home was not safe, felt potentially homeless. We decided that all those who could return should and those who could not we would accommodate.

There was, understandably, criticism from some whose friends and colleagues were still ‘functioning normally’ at other Colleges. However, within a week, the University administration decided all students in all Colleges that could go home should depart. We received many emails and letters thanking us for our prompt decisions from parents and students, especially from those outside the UK, many of whom knew other Cambridge students who (having not left when our students did) could not then return as borders were closed. We also decided to shut Owlstone Croft to accommodate all the 50 or so remaining students on the main site. We also had to reduce staff numbers on site quickly as some were vulnerable and needing to shield. We decided to keep the Buttery open so students could access food without having to go out. Food would be cooked so that students could come and pick it up before returning to their rooms to eat. Lockdown started very quickly.

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Education had to move swiftly to remote teaching via video links and phone calls. Tutors had to address concerns on an individual basis. The JCR and MCR set about providing ‘communal events’ remotely to keep the students together. On site we provided opportunities for ‘purposeful activity’ knowing that lockdown for those remaining was lonely and potentially unhealthy mentally. The College committees and Governing Body ‘moved online’, which meant more learning about technology at speed.

The Pandemic has obviously affected how our staff have been able to work. We have helped those who could move to working from home to set up and have supported them with IT. The furlough scheme and the Bursars have ensured that those who cannot work, or do not have work to do, are paid in full. One very early decision of the Governing Body, which I found moving, was that those on zero-hours contracts (or ‘casual’ staff), who would not be covered by the furlough scheme, would, we agreed, continue to be paid so they and their families would have some security. It is worth noting that many of our ‘front-line’ staff have continued to come in, continued to have personal contact with students and continued to respond to emergencies. They are amazing and we are all very thankful.

For everyone, moving into late March, the ‘problem’ of imminent exams became very real. The University, Colleges and Departments unveiled a ‘safety net’ for those undergraduates due to graduate – no-one could end up with a degree at a lower mark than that obtained in previous years. Other undergraduate years were told to expect either summative or formative assessments. Some Triposes were abandoned, others adapted to ‘Open Book’ exams – each faculty, in consultation with the University, made up its own mind about what to do. Graduates that could not do research had the prospect of being in no-mans-land. One-year Masters programmes had arrangements put in place that acknowledged their degree was being physically cut in half with different departments being able to continue or not, dependent on subject.

I am writing this at the end of the Easter Term 2020. Our students, Fellows and staff have been incredible. Through change, uncertainty and trial there has been the sort of pulling together that you get from an already well-established community. Decision-making is still hard in the more University-wide areas, which is to be expected. On a local College level, the Senior Officers meet together remotely on a weekly, and often daily, basis to respond to the constantly changing environment and rules. On a personal level, I have been struck and upset by the unavoidable disparity of experience students have, depending on their family circumstances. We have had students preparing for the same exams in an array of different situations: some in cramped, multiple occupancy bedrooms with deep uncertainty about parental income and others in mansions with dedicated office space, in-house gyms and gardens bigger than most parks. We have some in different time-zones or with sporadic electricity to compare with others still in College accommodation.

We have a fund from the generosity of our donors and alumni that allows us, for example, to arrange to install internet into student homes that did not have it or to offer IT support and travel where it is allowed. The Tutors and Welfare Team are ‘listening hard’ to be able to support and advocate for students in their individual circumstances. I have never really thought of College as a ‘leveller’ before, but I feel it acutely now: normally each student has the same sort of room, resources, internet and facilities.

It was deeply moving to hold the Commemoration of Benefactors with just the Chaplain and the Master all socially distanced in the vast Chapel. I have also been very saddened to see and hear about the student finalists who left in haste in March and will not now return as students; there has been a palpable sense of “this is not how we had planned to finish in this University, College and town”. Of course, in addition to this, there is the retirement of the Master who has served as President for over 23 years. He will be leaving without the planned and well-deserved celebration and recognition.

So what of the future? We are planning, second guessing, and putting in contingency plans for the new academic year. What will it look like? The honest answer is that, at the time of writing, we just do not know. We will have tough decisions to make and will be pulling on the resources, goodwill and commitment of staff, Fellows and students alike. We will have a new Master to lead us in those decisions and in creating a ‘new normal’. We have a deep sense of having to protect what is at our heart: a world-class education. Perhaps I will write something next year to explain, and record, how we have fared.

TIM HARLING
Dean of Chapel and Head of Welfare
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Although his term of office continues until the end of September, the President will leave Queens’ towards the end of July after twenty-three and a half years in office. There were plans for many events, parties, celebrations and dinners to mark John and Suzi Eatwell’s departure, but, of course, almost all of these have had to be abandoned or postponed because of the coronavirus pandemic. The Fellows, the students, the staff and the alumni, and indeed the wider University, will all wish to pay tribute to the President for all he has accomplished and the way he has led and guided the College through almost a quarter of a century of change and success. It is more than sixty years since a President has left office after so long a tenure. One tribute from the College was able to go ahead, however. A marker (in slate and York Stone, crafted by Lida Kindersley) celebrating his Presidency has been unveiled in the centre of the Round. The project to redevelop the Round was initiated by Lord Eatwell in 2008 as a result of his frustration that the hub of the College, the concourse into which visitors emerged from the Porters’ Lodge, was “a puddle-strewn car park”. At the Governing Body meeting after the unveiling ceremony Professor Weber spoke of the President’s involvement with many major projects during his tenure of office and of the many ways in which he has built and enriched our infrastructure, society and academic aims. The Fellowship believes the Round has a special place in his heart, as does the academic distinction of the College, and so this marker, together with the newly-endowed John Eatwell Fellowship, are most fitting ways to mark his Presidency. In addition, John, Lord Eatwell, was admitted to an Honorary Fellowship of Queens’ in January 2020.

Hopefully (virus restrictions permitting) Dr Mohamed El-Erian (1977 & Hon Fellow) will be arriving in September to take over the reins of the Presidency and will be formally installed and admitted early in the new academic year.

Widely recognised as one of the most talented and influential architects of his generation, Ted Cullinan, an Honorary Fellow of Queens’ since 2009, died on 11 November 2019 aged 88. The College extends its deepest sympathy to his wife and children. A more detailed obituary appears elsewhere in The Record.

The Fellowship was shocked and saddened to hear of the sudden and unexpected death on 1 August 2019 of Professor Willy Brown, CBE, the husband of Professor Jacqueline Scott. Life Fellow of Queens’. Professor Brown, who was 74, was the Emeritus Montague Burton Professor of Industrial Relations at the Faculty of Economics and was Master of Darwin College 2000-2012. He was a major contributor to the field of industrial relations, researching pay determination, incomes policy, workplace trade union organisation, collective bargaining, arbitration and the minimum wage. He was a Founder Member of the UK Low Pay Commission and a member of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service’s Panel of Arbitrators. The College extends its deepest sympathy to Professor Scott.

On 14 February Mrs Vera Carroll, wife of Professor John Carroll, Life Fellow of Queens’, died at the age of 83, a few hours after receiving her 65th Valentine’s Card from her husband. Vera and John had been married for more than 60 years and again the College extends its deepest sympathy to him and his three sons. Vera Carroll was a graduate of Girton (meeting John at a Maths lecture) and became a Principal Clinical Psychologist, working with local children and families in the NHS for many years. In retirement, she was Chair of ‘Homestart’, a local charity for families who are in difficulties and have very young children.

In May 2020 news reached the College of the death of Mrs Joan Holloway, widow of Professor John Holloway, a Fellow and Life Fellow of Queens’ from 1955 until his death in 1999 and Professor of Modern English. Joan was a New Zealander and came to the UK via studies in Toronto to take up a post in the English Faculty Library. She worked with John on his books on Later English Ballads and was herself a great lover of poetry. She married John as his second wife and cared for him assiduously during his long final illness. Until very recently she was a diligent attender at Mag Soc concerts and kept in touch with friends at Queens’.

In June 2020 the College was notified of the death of a former Fellow, Dr Paul Tillett, at the age of 77. Dr Tillett was a Research Fellow in Applied Mathematics 1967-1969 and subsequently worked in the City of London, latterly as Director of the British Bankers Association, responsible for regulatory and financial affairs. He later returned to Cambridge to work for the Citizens Advice Bureau and to resume teaching.

In July 2020 news of the death of the Revd Dr Michael Langford at the age of 89 reached the College. Michael was Chaplain of Queens’ 1959-63, though never offered a Fellowship. He went on to undertake a PhD at the University of London and then from 1967-96 taught and researched in the Philosophy Department of Memorial University Newfoundland. He was Professor of Philosophy 1982-96 and also Professor of Medical Ethics 1987-96. He retired to live in Dry Drayton, near Cambridge, in 1996 and has had dining rights at Queens’ for many years. He lunched on High Table regularly and was a much-valued member of our Society. An obituary will be published in next year’s Record.

Dr Anja Schmidt has been elected a Bye-Fellow to assist in the teaching of Chemistry at Queens’. Her work advances our understanding of the impact of and hazard from volcanoes, focussing on the impact of volcanoes on climate, atmospheric chemistry, air quality, human health, aviation and ecosystems. She is an interdisciplinary lecturer in the University, sharing her teaching between the Departments of Chemistry and Geography. She began her career as an Apprentice IT Systems Engineer at Siemens AG, Germany, before obtaining her ‘Diplom’ (the equivalent of a Masters in Science) in Geology and Palaeontology at the University of Leipzig. She then studied for a PhD at the University of Leeds. She worked as a Postdoctoral Academic Research Fellow in Leeds before coming to Cambridge in 2017. She has recently been awarded the 2019 University Corporation for Atmosphere Research Outstanding Publication Award.

Dr Jiri Weber has been awarded the 2020 University Corporation for Atmosphere Research Outstanding Publication Award. He has published over 300 papers in Nature, Science and Geophysical Research Letters. His research focussed on the chemistry of the Earth's atmosphere. His work challenges conventional thinking on atmospheric chemistry and has implications for climate change. He was one of the first to apply novel seismic techniques to measure the strength of the Earth's crust, a field which has since become extremely important.

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Dr Ruth Lawlor has been elected as a Research Fellow in History. She studied for her BA in History and English at University College, Cork, followed by an MA in International Relations. She came to Trinity College, Cambridge, for her PhD on the subject of ‘Rape and American Soldiers in the European Theatre of Operations in World War Two’.

Dr Paul Bambrugh has been elected a Bye-Fellow of Queens’ in Anatomy. He is a Specialist Registrar in Cardiology and General Medicine at Royal Papworth Hospital and in particular researches into atherosclerosis. A graduate of Peterhouse, where he won a number of prizes, he trained as a doctor at Cambridge on the combined MB/PhD course. As a junior doctor he was an Academic Foundation Trainee at Sheffield Teaching Hospitals Trust before returning to Cambridge as an Academic Clinical Fellow at Papworth and Addenbrooke’s Hospitals. He spent 6 months practising as a General Physician in Kisizi Hospital, Rukungiri, Uganda. He has taught Anatomy for Queens’ for a number of years. He is married to Dr Bryony Dunning-Davies (2000).

Dr Joao Rodrigues has also been elected to a Bye-Fellowship. He has taught Maths for Natural Sciences and Physics for some years for Queens’ as a Teaching Associate (as also at St Cathearine’s and St John’s Colleges) and has examined in Part 1A of the Natural Sciences Tripos. He fills the gap created by the departure of Dr Zaccone last year. He is a specialist in the mathematics and physics of arctic sea ice thickness and undertakes simulations of global climate models. His first degree was a BSc from the University of Lisbon, followed by an MSc from the Technical University of Lisbon. A PhD followed at the Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam. He lectured 2001-05 at the University of Lisbon before coming to Cambridge as a Research Associate at the Scott Polar Research Institute and then the Polar Ocean Physics Group. He lectured 2001-05 at the University of Lisbon before coming to Cambridge as a Research Associate at the Scott Polar Research Institute and then the Polar Ocean Physics Group. He has undertaken research on sea ice conditions for the United Kingdom Admiralty. He has published in the field of particle physics as well as ocean science.

Dr Christopher Clark has been elected as a Teaching Associate to help fulfil a teaching need in Engineering. Chris was a student at Queens’ for his BA, MEng and PhD and has subsequently been both a Teaching Associate and a Post-Doctoral Research Associate at the College. His research focusses on turbo-engineering, especially studying methods to enhance airflow over turbine blades. He is a PDRA in Novel Turbine Geometries at the Whittle Laboratory. When a student he was much involved with the Boat Club as acox and was Head Coach for 2 years.

Dr Cristina Peñasco has been appointed by the University to a Lectureship in Public Policy at the Department of Politics and International Studies, associated to the Bennett Institute. She has been elected to a Bye-Fellowship in Politics and Economics at Queens’ and is a Fellow at the Cambridge Centre for Environment, Energy and Natural Resource Governance. Her research focusses on the impact of green energy policies on both the industrial and residential sectors in the UK and Europe. Her first degree in Business Administration and Management was at the University of Castilla-La Mancha and was followed by an MPphil in Research in Economics and Business at the Pontificia Comillas University in Madrid and a PhD in Business Economics and Finance at Rey Juan Carlos University and the Spanish National Research Council where she got a PhD Scholarship. She was a Post-Doctoral Researcher for the Spanish National Research Council and the Institute for Public Goods and Policies before coming to Cambridge as a PDRA in 2017. She has also spent a year as an Assistant Professor at the University of Alcalá de Henares in Spain.

Professor Neil Lawrence, the DeepMind Professor of Machine Learning at the Department of Computer Science and Technology, has been elected as a Professorial Fellow of Queens’. Professor Lawrence’s first degree was a BEng in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Southampton, followed by a PhD at the Computer Laboratory at Cambridge. He worked as a Post-Doc. at Microsoft in Cambridge before his appointment as a Lecturer and Head of the Machine Learning Research Group at the University of Sheffield. After a spell as a Research Fellow at the University of Manchester’s School of Computer Science, he returned to Sheffield as Professor of Machine Learning and Computational Biology. He served as Deputy Head and Director of Research at the Department of Computer Science at Sheffield. He founded a start-up, Inferentia, which was bought out by Amazon and, prior to his appointment to the DeepMind Chair, he was working as Director of Machine Learning at the Amazon Development Centre in Cambridge, seconded from his university. Professor Lawrence is a Member of the UK Office for Artificial Intelligence Al Council and of the UK Office for Life Science Innovation Research and Data Expert Group. He is a Member of the Royal Society’s Machine Learning Working Group and was the co-founder of Data Science Office for Life Science Innovation Research and Data Expert Group. He is a Member of the Royal Society’s Machine Learning Working Group and was the co-founder of Data Science Africa, running workshops and data science schools in several African countries. He is the co-host of a talking machines podcast, has delivered public lectures on Uncertainty and Data Science, and regularly speaks at schools and writes articles for the Guardian.

In February Mr Nicholas Blain and Mr Chris Rokos, who have both made very considerable financial contributions to Queens’ in recent years, were elected as Fellow Benefactors. Mr Blain is the Founder and Chief Executive of Quartic Training, which specialises in professional training for the financial markets, and read Mathematics at Queens’, matriculating in 1987. Mr Rokos, who is a graduate, major benefactor and Foundation Fellow of Pembroke College, Oxford, is the owner and founder of the hedge fund Rokos Capital Management. In June 2020 Mr John Reece, who matriculated at Queens’ to read Economics in 1975, was also elected a Fellow Benefactor in recognition of his very considerable and generous benefactions to the College. He has been the Finance Director of Ineos Capital Ltd since 2000.

Professor Richard Weber ceased to be Vice-President on 20 April 2020 and Professor Marie Edmonds (Ron Oxburgh Fellow in Earth Sciences) has been appointed to that office. Although he has reached the retirement age, Professor Weber has been asked to remain as a Fellow to be an Assistant to the President for two years to advise and assist Dr El-Erian at the beginning of his time in office.
Dr Eivind Kahrs retired in 2019 after 27 years as an Official Fellow and has become a Life Fellow. Dr Kahrs, the University Reader in Sanskrit, has been Director of Studies in Oriental Languages (now renamed Asian and Middle Eastern Studies) for many years and also served two stints as a Tutor.

Leaving the College, after only three very successful years at Queens’ teaching Law, is Dr Paul Daly (2007). He was offered the University Research Chair in Administrative Law and Governance at the University of Ottawa and left for Canada to take up his Professorship in the summer of 2019. Dr Maarten Steenhagen has resigned his Bye-Fellowship and moved to the University of Uppsala as a Post-Doctoral Researcher, where he will be able to concentrate on his research, after three years as Director of Studies in Philosophy at Queens’. Dr Sophie-Therese Seita (who has left to take up a position at the University of Boston as an Assistant Professor in Literature and Creative Writing) and Dr Claudia Herresthal (who is moving to a position at the University of Bonn) have come to the end of their tenures as Research Fellows.

In June 2020 Dr Gillian Fraser (Niccoli Fellow) resigned her Fellowship at Queens’. She has been a Fellow since 2007 but has been on special leave for the last two years to enable her to concentrate on her other duties. She is a Senior Lecturer in Cellular and Molecular Microbiology in the University. She has given great service to the College as a supervisor and as Director of Studies in Biological Natural Sciences. She has also been Deputy Dean of College. She has been elected as a Fellow Commoner of Queens’.

In view of his invaluable contributions to teaching in Mathematics, the Bye-Fellowship in Pure Mathematics of Dr Thomas Forster has been renewed for a further three years until 2022. Dr Stephen Price has been Director of Studies in Clinical Medicine for several years as well as teaching Neurobiology to the pre-clinical medical and veterinary students. He has also made major contributions to the ‘Preparing for Patients’ and other courses for medical students. He has been upgraded from a Bye-Fellow to an Official Fellow. He is a Consultant Neurosurgeon at Addenbrooke’s Hospital, Co-Director of the Cambridge Cancer Centre’s Neuro- oncology Department and Director of the Cambridge Brain Tumour Imaging Laboratory. In February, the Chaplain, the Revd. Max Bayliss, became an Official Fellow in conformity with the College statutes. Dr Federica Paddeu has become the Derek Bowett Fellow in Law and Dr Edwige Mayroud the Niccoli Fellow in Natural Sciences. Dr Claude Warnick has been designated the Anthony L. Lyster Fellow in Mathematics and Dr James Blundell the Lyster Fellow in Natural Sciences. In June 2020 Dr Janet Maguire was designated as a College Lecturer in Medicine and appointed the first John Eatwell Fellow.

Professor Craig Muldrew has been appointed to a Leverhulme Trust Major Research Fellowship for 2019-21 and Dr Peter McMurray has been awarded the very prestigious Leverhulme Prize to allow him to concentrate on research for the next three years. The Leverhulme Trust will pay for replacement teaching for these two Fellows whilst they are on leave. In addition Dr Jamie Blundell, Group Leader in the Cancer Research UK Cambridge Centre Early Detection Programme, has been awarded a £1.2 million Future Leaders Fellowship by United Kingdom Research and Innovation (UKRI). The fellowship will enable him to build a team focused on developing predictive ‘forecasts’ of cancer risk from serial blood samples to detect cancer at its earliest stages.

Professor David Cebon has migrated to a Professorial Fellowship, which means he will no longer have a teaching contract with the College after 31 years supervising in Engineering for Queens’ students.

Dr James Campbell has been appointed Head of the Department of Architecture. Professor Alastair Beresford has become the Deputy Head of the Computer Laboratory, so will share his responsibilities as Director of Studies in Computer Science at Queens’ with Dr Andrew Rice. Dr Martin Crowley has been appointed Director of French within the Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages.

Mr Rowan Kitt represented World Rugby at the Rugby World Cup in Japan in 2019 as one of the four Television Match Officials. He held numerous reunions with Queens’ members there, from Sapporo in the north to Fukuoka in the south, ably supported with organization by Dr Yoko Amagese (1998).

The Prizes for Outstanding Contributions to College Education were awarded in 2019 to Professor James Jackson (Earth Sciences) and Dr Rachael Turton (Geography).

Professor David Satelle, a former Fellow, has returned to live near Cambridge and he has been re-elected a Fellow Commoner after a twenty year absence. David was successively a Research Fellow, a Bye-Fellow and an Official Fellow between 1970 and 1993, until he left the Fellowship to take up the post of Senior Principal Scientific Officer of the Medical Research Council. He has subsequently been a Professor at both Oxford and Manchester Universities and is currently a Research Professor of Molecular Neurobiology at University College, London, as well as Co-Founder and Chief Scientific Officer of CE Bioscience, Ltd.

Two members of the Queens’ student support team have been elected as Fellow Commoners. Mrs Linda Langford-Powell gives Queens’ students intense support in essay writing skills. She is a qualified teacher with a degree from Wolfson College and works primarily as Schools Liaison Officer and Welfare Officer at a psychotherapeutic centre in Harley Street. Phil Smith is a physical well-being consultant and has been working successfully with Queens’ students for the last 3 years. He particularly helps students identified as underperforming academically, advising them on good diet, good sleep and regular exercise, etc.
In November 2019 Professor Kern Alexander was elected a Fellow Commoner. Professor Alexander is the Professor of Banking and Financial Market Law in Zurich and also a Senior Fellow at the Centre for Risk Studies at the Judge Institute of Management in Cambridge and a Senior Academic Fellow at the Institute of Sustainability Leadership. He will teach for Queens’ and act as Director of Studies for the College for EMBA, MBA and MFin students.

Dr Ramana Ramaswamy, a former Research Fellow of Queens’, has been an Economist at both the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund and a Hedge Fund Manager. Currently Senior Portfolio Manager with the Canadian Pension Plan’s Investment Board, he joined the College’s Investments Committee in 2019 after almost two years as a Visiting Scholar. He too has been elected as a Fellow Commoner.

In recent years there has been a sharp rise in students presenting with mental health difficulties. The College has relied heavily on the expertise and support of Dr Neil Hunt, a Consultant Psychiatrist with the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Foundation Trust and Associate Lecturer at the Clinical School, for the most complex and pressing cases. Neil is a graduate of Queens’ (matriculating in 1977) and has a special interest in bipolar disorder and related maladies and is also an expert in dietary and sleep disorders. In February 2020 he was elected a Fellow Commoner.

Dr Matthew Saxton has continued to work in Cambridge and teach for Queens’ since the end of his tenure as a Fellow in Mathematics in 2018. His Fellow Commonership (Research) was renewed for a further year, but he has now decided to pursue a teaching career. He will leave Cambridge in the summer of 2020 to start a PGCE, and so has resigned as a Fellow Commoner.

The new Rokos Post-Doctoral Research Associates (PDRAs) for 2019-20 are Queens’ graduates Dr Jinqu Fu (Veterinary Medicine), Dr Chen Jiang (Engineering), Dr Eduardo Machiado (Archaeology) and Dr Tamsin Spelman (Applied Mathematics). The PDRAs elected from outside Queens’ are Dr Jennifer Cobbe (Law), Dr Mirjana Efrenova (Molecular Oncology), Dr Rachel Turton (Geography) and Dr Nicholas Heuer (Mathematics).

JONATHAN HOLMES
Keeper of the Records

THOMAE SMITHI ACADEMIA

The Thomae Smithi Academia, a discussion group for Fellows, Fellow Commoners and Distinguished Academic Visitors, founded in 1976, meeting in the Old Senior Combination Room, held discussions on the following topics: (in the Michaelmas Term 2019) 'Cellar Matters: a wine tasting journey’, introduced by Professor Clare Bryant, and ‘Techno-populism: What is it and why should we care about it?, introduced by Dr Christopher Bickerton; (in the Lent Term 2020) 'The Centre for Science and Policy: lessons to be learnt from working with government', introduced by Dr David Cleevely, and 'China Challenges', introduced by The Hon. John McCallum.

JAMES DIGGLE

‘ZOOM’ DISCUSSIONS

During the Easter Term when the College was in lockdown, the President hosted a series of talks (mostly on Monday evenings) on ‘Zoom’. The meetings were open to all Fellows and Fellow Commoners and were very well-attended, often engendering lively discussion after a short initial talk. The following topics were addressed:

Early modern epidemics: led by Dr Andrew Thompson;
Managing a drug empire behind bars: led by Dr Graham Denyer-Willis;
Earthquake resilience: led by Dr Camilla Penney;
Economic Management in a Pandemic: led by the President-elect, Dr Mohamed El-Erian;
Mozart (a Mathematical Attempt): led by Professor Richard Nicki;
How to pay for Covid-19: led by Dr Murray Milgate;
Contact tracing by smartphone: led by Professor Alastair Beresford;
Spenser on Containment and Contagion: led by Dr Andrew Zurcher;
Who is to blame for the pandemic: animals or humans?: led by Professor Clare Bryant;
Queens’ College, 2030: led by the President, Lord Eatwell.

HONORARY FELLOW 2009-2019

Widely recognised as one of the most talented and influential architects of his generation, Ted Cullinan, an Honorary Fellow of Queens’ since 2009, died on 11 November 2019 aged 88. The College extends its deepest sympathy to his wife, Ros, and their children.

Edward Horder Cullinan was born in Islington in 1931 into a medical family. His father was a consultant physician at St Bartholomew’s Hospital and his maternal grandfather, Lord Horder, GCVO, was Physician to several monarchs and also a consultant at Bart’s. Ted’s early education was in Canada, but, on his return to England, he became a pupil at Ampleforth College. He came up to Queens’ with a Royal Institute of British Architects Scholarship in 1951, after National Service in the Royal Engineers as a Second Lieutenant, to study architecture (not, at that moment in time, a Tripos subject). He obtained firsts in the Second and Third Examinations in Architecture in 1953 and 1954 and graduated B.A. that year. At College he rowed in the First Boat and also designed highly successful ‘decorations’ for the May Ball and for various dramatic performances. He subsequently trained as a professional architect at the Architectural Association and at The University of California, Berkeley.

He founded his own practice in 1959, but also worked as a freelance for the architect Denys Lasdun. One of his first buildings was Horder House in Hampshire (built for his uncle, Mervyn, Second Baron Horder), “an idiosyncratically English version of the glass box in the wood”, but he was particularly associated in these early years with the ‘ziggurat’ student residences at the University of East Anglia (opened in 1962). In 1965 he set up a co-operative practice, Edward Cullinan Architects. He rapidly acquired a name as a radical-thinking and pioneering architect, well ahead of his time on such issues as building sustainability and environmental impact – it was said at his death that he had been designing with climate change in view for sixty years. He often described architecture as a social act. He was an inspiration to a generation of architects and in 2008 was awarded the Royal Institute of British Architect’s Royal Gold Medal, the profession’s highest accolade. Until then he had held the dubious distinction of being the most nominated but unsuccessful candidate in the history of the award.

In Cambridge he and his practice have been responsible for the designs of the Divinity School (2000), which won the RIBA Journal Sustainability Award, the Centre for Mathematical Sciences (2003), the Library at Fitzwilliam College (2010) and the Library at St John’s College. Another important work was the Bristol Harbourside Development: His Ready Mix Concrete (Cemex) Headquarters Building in Surrey (1990) is already Grade II listed and the Weald and Downland Museum Gridshell (2002), built entirely of green wood and other natural materials, was shortlisted for the Stirling Prize and won the American Institute of Architects Excellence in Design Award 2003. He also designed the Charles Cryer Theatre at Carshalton (1991) and the Fountains Abbey Visitor Centre (1992). Other notable buildings include the Minster Lovell Conference Centre and the branch offices of Olivetti in Belfast, Derby, Dunoon and Carlisle. He co-operated with Patrick Bellew and others on the design of the Herbarium at the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew.

His studio was responsible for the design of the Docklands Campus for the University of East London, though he later complained about the detail of the finish on the buildings when seen close to, “The level of craftsmanship is far too low”. Works abroad include the New Gateway at Petra and the Li Ka Shing Library in Singapore. He also designed, of course, many smaller-scale buildings, including a number of private homes. His own home in Camden, designed in 1964 and self-built with his wife and their friends over two years, has been described by his studio as “an early example of a passive solar house”; it “combined natural and modern materials, vernacular and early modern references” (Historic England). With the help of friends he personally built five other houses including Gib Tor Farm in Staffordshire. In 2013, after recovering from a serious illness with four months in intensive care, he completed the Maggie’s Centre at Newcastle, a building linked with the Freeman Hospital to provide anyone with cancer with emotional, practical and social support.

He was an inspirational teacher for most of his life and held visiting Professorships at the Bartlett School of Architecture (University College, London) (1978–79), Massachusetts Institute of Technology (1985), Sheffield University (1985–87), Edinburgh University (1987–90) and most recently at the University of Nottingham. He loved contact with students and considered teaching a major part of his work.

He was a man of great charm and humour. However, he considered himself something of a rebel and certainly not a member of the architectural establishment. Nevertheless he was...
appointed CBE in 1987 and elected as a Royal Academician in 1989. He became an Honorary Fellow of the Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland in 1995. In 2005 he was awarded a Special Commendation by the Prince Philip Designer’s Prize for his outstanding lifetime achievement in design. He chaired Urban Vision North Staffordshire and has been a Trustee of John Soane’s Museum, the Construction Industry for Youth Trust, the Building Experiences Trust and the Koestler Award Trust. Over the years he worked with many architects, inspiring loyalty and affection, and his legacy will live on not only through his iconic buildings but also through the way he influenced so many with his ground-breaking ideas, innovative designs and personal friendship.

JONATHAN PAUL KINGSLAND TILLETT, M.A., PH.D.

RESEARCH FELLOW 1967-1969

Dr Paul Tillett died in June 2020 at the age of 77. He was brought up in the small town of Bungay in Suffolk. His local primary school had over 60 pupils per class, but he recalled proudly that every pupil left the school able to read and write. He started his secondary schooling in Eccles but won a place at Christ’s Hospital in Horsham, then went up to Jesus College to read Mathematics in 1961. After a double first and a distinction in Part III of the Mathematical Tripos, he embarked on a PhD in fluid mechanics at the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics. In 1967 he was elected a Research Fellow of Queens’. He supervised for the College and continued his research until, in 1969, he got a job as an Investment Analyst at Fielding, Newson-Smith and Co., Stockbrokers. He was given particular responsibility for investment research in the banking and insurance sectors and helped to establish the firm’s reputation as a respected commentator on the banking sector.

From 1976 until 1993 he worked for the British Bankers Association, first as Deputy Head of the Public Policy Group. His research at that time focussed on public policy issues affecting the banking industry and he was also responsible for support for the representational work of the Bankers Association. He wrote most of the banks’ evidence to the Wilson Committee on the functioning of financial institutions and also authored the standard textbook on the Banking Act 1979. In 1980 he became Deputy Head of Public Affairs of the Committee of London Clearing Bankers when the Public Policy Group was merged with the Association’s public relations arm. Whilst in that role he persuaded the Bank of England of the need to reform the system of money market intervention and was responsible for the banks’ evidence to the Government’s review of bank taxation. After a brief spell as Acting Head of Public Affairs, he became Head of Research for the Committee of London Clearing Bankers. In that job he was a member of the project team on the reform of the ownership and control of payment clearing systems. Then in 1985 he became Director (at first designated Deputy Secretary) of the British Bankers Association. He reported to the Director-General on banking supervision, investment regulation, monetary affairs, taxation and accounting. He built up a high calibre team, greatly enhancing the reputation of the Association for producing high quality work in the regulatory and financial areas. He was personally responsible for dealing with the formulation, negotiation and implementation of the EC Second Banking Directive, for leading the Association’s work on the Financial Services Act and for bringing the Association’s programme of Statements of Recommended Accounting Practice (SORPs – two of which he wrote) to fruition.

In 1993 Paul left the banking world and returned to Cambridge, looking for a complete change of scene. He trained as a Citizens Advice Bureau advisor, specialising in employment law. He worked at this for five years and meanwhile revised his Maths and returned to supervising undergraduates. He taught at first for Jesus College and then became Director of Studies in Maths for Newnham College. He finally retired in 2003 and devoted himself to learning languages – Russian, Italian, French, German and latterly Dutch. He and Rachel, his wife of 50 years, had two sons, one of whom predeceased him. He loved reading, walking, music and visiting old buildings.
THE STAFF

After 26 years of service to the College, Jim Coulter (Regulatory Compliance Officer and previously, of course, Head Porter) has retired. In 2019, Head Chef, Kevin Bassam left and we were able to welcome back Shaun Cook to the role.

After 19 years of service, Bebi Holmes (Food Service Supervisor) and Ian Arrowsmith have also retired.

In 2020, after a remarkable 45 years of service to Queens’, carpenter Peter Towers retired and was honoured with a special send-off in the Old Hall.

After 10 years of service the Senior Tutor’s Secretary and Tutorial Administrator, Moira Thomson, took early retirement. The Deputy Head of Tutorial Services and Graduate Administrator, Robbie Kneale, was also due to take early retirement at the end of April, but owing to the Coronavirus situation, delayed her retirement until mid-June.

Recently several members of staff have celebrated 10 years’ service: Matt Pope, Andrius Tamulevicius, Mark Golden, Sebastian Kurowski, Natalja Kovaltsuk, Nadia Tamuleviciene, Andrew Wilson, Maria McElroy, Brendan Blythin and Izabela Fulawka.

LORRAINE M LOFTUS
Bursars’ Secretary

THE FABRIC

The major project for 2019-2020 has been the replacement of the lead work of the valley gutter around the roof of the Essex Building and the subsequent redecoration works to the windows across all elevations. The works began in the summer with an impressive multi-level scaffold wrapping the entire building, including a long section that rose up from the Cam behind a protective water boom. The rare opportunity to conduct works from the riverside meant that we also made the decision to expand the planned work to cover the Presidents Lodge elevation.

Extensive work was carried out to remove and replace the 1970s lead work, which had begun to delaminate and split. Whilst carrying out these repairs, we also replaced numerous degraded and crumbling pieces of stonework from around the roofline and windows, repointing the mortar between brick courses and redressing the chimney flashings. The majority of the work was along the riverside elevation, where the building has been most exposed to the elements.

Three dormer windows along the roofline of the Presidents Lodge were completely rebuilt; this was in coordination with the Cambridge Listed Building Officer and included making right some previous repairs, where concrete screed had been used on the upstands. The dormers have now been replaced in a more traditional lime render upstand with new lead coverings.

The redecoration works to the Essex Building windows were well received. This was the first deep maintenance to the windows in over 40 years. In addition, the large bay window in the President’s Lodge Audit Room required structural repair owing to rot, this included the removal of the sashes, which were taken to the workshop to be repaired, whilst the main structure of the window had the rot removed and new timber spliced into place. Finally, the iron rainwater goods were replaced to match the originals, and an extensive new system of lightning protection has been installed to improve safety.

The iron railings on the Queens’ Lane elevation of the Dokett Building have been rebuilt. The originals were removed in 1941 to aid the war effort, when iron was collected across the town for reuse in equipment and machinery. The new railings match the original design and have been decorated to match the rainwater goods. The railings, now atop the existing dwarf-wall, also serve as an important heightening divide between the pavement and the considerably lower level surrounding the building.

Following the installation of additional bookcases in the War Memorial Library last year, the task lighting on the desks have now been replaced with modern LED lighting. The fittings have been sourced to remain in keeping with the aesthetic of the Library. The remaining task lights within the attic section of the Library will be completed in the summer of 2020.

Across the entire estate, the fire alarms have been upgraded; this includes newer models of both heat and smoke detectors, and a new control panel in Old Court, with extended fibre...
links to the outside properties. This has both improved monitored coverage for the site and also considerably reduced false and nuisance alarms.

The windows at the foot of L-staircase at the rear of the Erasmus Building have been completely replaced with double-glazed units and an automated external door has been added; also the pergola concrete on top of the Building has been fully restored and repainted. This is as part of the ongoing repairs to the external envelope of the Building. Within Erasmus, electrical upgrades have been made to the distribution boards, including the installation of sub-meters to the bedrooms.

At the Sports Ground, a new cycle path has been laid from Fulbrooke Road to the Queens’ Pavilion. This has been installed to improve cycle and pedestrian access to the facilities, so that students can safely get to the Sports Ground without having to use the Barton Road entrance with its busy and fast moving traffic. During the installation, we took the opportunity to extend the fibre connection, vastly improving internet and service connectivity at the Pavilions.

The Main Kitchen wash-up area has been stripped out and replaced, improving the working conditions for the staff and modernising the performance of the equipment.

A vast site-wide measuring survey has been completed to update the detailed technical drawings of all the buildings, these will be used for future building works and accommodation planning.

The boiler in E-Staircase in Old Court has been replaced, including the hot water services. This was challenging work, replacing a system within a restrictive space, whilst maintaining the protected aspects of the historic staircase.

Various obsolete lock systems have been replaced to accommodation within Walnut Tree Court, Old Court, Old Hall and the surrounding link doors.

ANDREW BAINBRIDGE
Domestic Bursar

THE GARDENS

Once again, this has been a surprising year for the gardens. First there have been some staff changes in the course of the year: Verena Downes joined the College from Corpus Christi and in March 2020 Clare Watkinson left us after five years at Queens’: we thank her for her hard work, enthusiasm and love of bulb planting. We also took on our first WRAGS trainee (Work and Retrain as a Gardener Scheme): the scheme runs for twelve months, two days a week.

We were coming out of winter and looking forward to spring when in March everything changed. The College was closed and everyone went home leaving the Queens’ feeling like the Marie Celeste. The nature of gardening means that working from home is not an option, so for the gardens department it was almost business as usual, albeit while maintaining social distance. We were down one full-time member and the trainee. Spring is a peak growing season and we did our best to keep things under control, the grass cut and the weeds beaten back. Happily some of the students marooned here at Queens’ have also been helping out with small jobs around the garden. As a team, we are making sure the gardens will be ready for a return to normality whenever that is.

The winter was mostly dry and mild, after which we entered a dry spring, although there were a few days of rain; the April showers were keeping a social distance as well, forcing us to start watering earlier than we would have liked. Autumn bulb planting was reduced compared to previous years. We planted 10,000 English bluebells along the river edge of the grove and a selection of pink, yellow and white tulips in the Fellows’ Garden along with Allium ‘purple rain’.

Every year we seem to have to repair or relay a lawn, and last year was no exception. Old Court lawn was levelled and re-laid after repairs to the gatehouse roof in time for May Ball night. It then rained on the night and the new lawn was ruined. Her Majesty the Queen was due to visit the college on July 9th so we had two weeks to recover the situation. Fortunately, by the time that day arrived, the lawn was looking good enough to pass muster.

Another area lost to roof works was the border alongside King’s College in the Fellows’ Garden. This time the scaffolding wasn’t ours but from our neighbouring college. The roof repairs to King’s Bodley Court took most of the year: only in August was the border finally ready for replanting. Plants chosen were as before with a few additions/changes, namely: Nepeta ‘Walkers low’, Helianthusum, Phlox paniculata, Geranium ‘Rozane’, Veronicastrum ‘Fascination’, Sedum ‘African sunset’, Echinachia ‘White swan’, Agastache, Peroskia ‘Little spire’, Iberis, and Hakenechloa. The scaffolding also meant that we had to remove the mature Cercis by the river, and replace it with a Cercis ‘Forest pansy’. This will also replace the Salix that was donated by William Herd in 2014 which had to be removed.

The border alongside the Library was replanted in early summer 2019. Again we took the opportunity to replace the tired soil with homemade compost mix and replanted it...

Another area of improvement was the border at the West end of the Chapel. The unsightly curbing needed to be softened, so we decided to recycle the box hedge from the Fellows’ Garden, which we planted round the outside of the border so that as it grows out it will mask the curbing. We also removed as much of the stone as possible and mulched it heavily and replanted with things like Veronicastrum ‘Fascination’, Hosta, Echinops, Lythrum ‘Rosy gem’ Aquilegias mixed, Salvia ‘Caradonna’, Nepeta ‘Walkers low’, and Asters.

In the Fellows’ Garden the two borders around the mulberry and the ornamental pear were combined and ringed with metal edging; soil has been mounded up around the old sickly mulberry tree to cover its exposed roots and, we hope, cause root layering, helping to improve its vigour. The border will be planted later this year but for now a display of annuals will be on show.

We have been working with the newly formed Environmental Committee and have revamped the herb garden with the help of the committee members. We have also been working with the kitchens to compost vegetable waste. Insect boxes have been placed on the roof garden and in the grove. More bird feeders have been installed around the college.

The Garden Steward adds his thanks and those of the College to the Head Gardener for his work and leadership during this difficult time.

STEVE TYRRELL, Head Gardener
IAN PATTERSON, Garden Steward

Since the last Record the Chapel has seen a few changes; we decluttered the antechapel, removing the curtained vestry zone, to make room for hospitality after Choral Evensong and Compline and prised open both north and south doors, optimistically heralding a new age of Chapel and College engagement.

The summer ended with a Choir Tour to Paris and Angers. In Paris we stayed in Montmartre, an area befitting a troop of lively vocalists, with the faintest hint of the risqué for a Chapel Choir. We sang at the American Cathedral and at the Église Saint-Eugène-Saint-Cécile. Then, in Angers, we were treated to unrivalled hospitality by the Maîtrise Singers, and the Chaplain laid a wreath on the tomb of our foundress, Queen Margaret, as the Choir sang the Founder’s Prayer of her husband Henry VI. Afterwards the College was presented with the cast of a statue of Margaret of Anjou (originally given in 2010 when the Choir last visited the city) which was borne back triumphantly to its new resting place in the SCR.

The Michaelmas Term began with a packed matriculation service. The air was filled with the usual heady concoction of excitement, nerves, and potential that proclaims the beginning of the academic year just as surely as the roses in Walnut Tree Court announce that summer is coming. At our Remembrance Day Service we honoured those members of Queens’ who gave their lives for our freedom in the two world wars. This year the names of Private William Pettett (accidentally killed on active service in Baizieux), Lo Po Ching, and Wong Shin Fan (both drowned when S. S. Hirano Maru was torpedoed in 1918) had been added to our memorial finally making it complete. But before long we were mourning another loss. A sombre chord was struck at the end of term Carol Service when it was announced that Saskia Jones, a recent graduate of the College, had been killed alongside Jack Merritt in the attack at London Bridge two days earlier. The College gathered together in Chapel, the Choir sang beautifully, and the Chaplain preached. It is in these fragile moments, of joy and new beginnings, of remembrance and gratitude, confusion and grief, that the Chapel and its community is most appreciated.

The Lent Term saw a return to basics as the preachers explored the theme of Sunday School Stories that many of us have not heard since our childhood, or even at all. As term went on the chapel community expanded and our team of sacristans grew. Among the exciting new arrivals was that of the Eagle Lectern which took flight from its obscure nest in the corner of the antechapel and landed back in glorious splendour in its rightful home: the nave. On Ash Wednesday we celebrated our first mid-week Choral Eucharist, which not only brought Holy Communion back to a central place in the life of the Chapel but will also expand the repertoire of our fantastic choir. To give Lent an almost unacceptable level of decadence, the Dean of Chapel treated the world to his newly published Hopeful Mysteries of the Rosary. Just as things looked to be settling down, a protest which closed the Senate House meant that degrees were conferred in an extraordinary congregation by the President in Chapel. Such an event has surely not happened in the Chapel before, and is unlikely to happen again, but the future was soon to become even less clear.
The Easter Term saw still more change as we moved from the physical to the virtual. This meant that the Chaplain preached a series on the seven monastic steps via Youtube rather than from the preacher’s stall. On Ascension Day the President, accompanied by Lady Eatwell, the Dean of Chapel, and the Chaplain celebrated the Commemoration of Benefactors in an otherwise empty chapel. Afterwards, in place of the usual feast, we locked the chapel doors and went our separate ways to observe the Solemnity after our own fashion: the President to the Lodge, the Dean to have his customary Marlboro Light, and the Chaplain to FF8 to raise a glass of fizz to our Benefactors and reflect on the year gone by. There are many aspects of this year which I hope will be consigned to the pages of this Record and left unrepeated, but, whatever 2020-21 brings, the Chapel will still be there ready to offer comfort and hope, celebration and community to whomever is seeking it.

In addition to the Chaplain’s regular sermons, in the Michaelmas Term we were treated to sermons from The Revd Mae Christie, Dr Charlie Bell, The Dean of Chapel, and the Revd Marcus Walker, each exploring how Christianity can speak to all the different parts of our lives. In the Lent Term Sunday School series we heard from The Venerable Jonathan Smith, The Revd Gilson Gwendu, The Dean of Chapel, The Revd Canon Dr Jessica Martin, The Revd Robert Kozak, and The Revd Adam Burnham. In the Easter Term all the sermons where given by the Chaplain. Over the course of the year, five couples were married in chapel and two children were baptised.

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The academic year 2019-2020 has been a particularly busy one for the Library team. Alongside our perennial space issues, the inadequate provision of lights within the Library has been highlighted in student feedback for many years. To our great satisfaction, new desk lights were installed in the first floor of the War Memorial Library over summer 2019. Plans are in place to install the same lights for all desks on the second floor of the Library in summer 2020 (although this may now be delayed due to the impact of COVID-19). We hope that our ongoing project to improve the study experience within the Library has a positive impact on all Queens’ members.

Another big event for the Library was the installation of our new self-issue machine. The new machine allows for both the issuing and the returning of books, which in turn means our materials can circulate more quickly to the students who need them outside of staffed hours. We can now also use the customisable functions of the machine to promote other Library activities and services, such as Graduate Writers’ Space or our Research Skills Workshops. Library users managed to adapt to the new machine in no time at all and the feedback has been very positive.

Other developments this year included the expansion of our Graduate Writers’ Space sessions, which allow for a dedicated and relaxed study environment for graduate students to work, either alone or with friends. Feedback from the previous year revealed that one morning or afternoon session a week was not enough, so we have now taken over the Munro Room every Tuesday to ensure Queens’ graduates feel fully integrated into the Library.

We have also expanded our Research Skills Workshops to include two additional sessions alongside our usual offering of literature searching for both undergraduates and graduates and assistance with bibliographic management software. Our first new session is aimed at undergraduate students and explores the why, what and how of referencing alongside activities and top tips to increase confidence and answer key questions. The second session, on the subject of publication, aims to offer new graduate students and early career researchers an overview of the publication process and tips for navigating it, including key information about important areas such as open access, journal metrics and copyright. These sessions have proved popular and increased our overall research skills offering to 20 workshops spread over the Michaelmas and Lent Terms. There have also been dedicated subject-specific skills workshops with student cohorts from HSPS, Natural Sciences and Music. We are dedicated to the aim of ensuring that Queens’ students get the most out of their Cambridge experience by equipping them with the information literacy skills necessary for them to succeed.

This year also heralded our triennial user survey, which we conducted in he Lent Term. We extend our thanks to everyone who participated in our surveys, the results of which enable
us to plan our service provision going forward and identify any gaps that need addressing. We received around a 40% participation rate from Queens’ undergraduates and around 20% from graduates, which provided us with a great overview of our current situation. We were particularly pleased to note a 10% improvement in the satisfaction rate for our undergraduate collections, which is presumably due to our efforts alongside those of Queens’ Directors of Studies to acquire more key reading list materials. We will continue to consult with academic staff to ensure our print collections remain relevant and current.

Of course, the last few months have been dedicated to ensuring library services are maintained throughout the disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown. The building may have been closed since 20th March, but the library team has been working tirelessly to ensure that Queens’ members are still able to access vital print and electronic resources for their research and exams, as well as pivoting our support from mostly face to face enquiries to problem-solving from a distance through email and video-conferencing software. This has included creating a brand new webpage to signpost online library resources, buying books online and sending them to students’ home addresses, liaising with other Cambridge library colleagues to provide access to ebooks and much more. As lockdown eases and we are able to access the library building on a more regular basis, we are expanding our services to include click and collect for our physical collections, posting library books out to students who are unable to return to college and providing a copyright-compliant scanning service. While no one is certain what the new academic year will bring, we are confident that we can continue to provide an efficient and high-quality library service to all Queens’ members.

THE OLD LIBRARY

The addition of numerous new records (including the last pamphlets from the collection of past president Isaac Milner (1750—1820), which is now fully catalogued) on the University’s Discover catalogue has had a significant role in raising the profile of the Old Library’s collections. Indeed, the cataloguing undertaken over the past year has increased the visibility and accessibility of the collections, leading to a continuous increase of enquiries from researchers and students. In Lent 2020, for instance, three of Queens’ own students from the Renaissance MPhil decided to base their essays on various items from the Old Library’s collections.

This past year, the Old Library team curated another successful exhibition, this time focused on the fantastic musical treasures from the collections. Entitled ‘From Heavenly Harmony to Earthly Discord’, this exhibition of music and books collected by the library’s early modern readers brought to light unique and little-known medieval and Renaissance musical treasures. Alongside illuminated manuscripts and artefacts that have featured in the college’s musical life, books of philosophical and occult learning highlighted a wider role once played by music. Via a trajectory that led from the Pythagorean harmonics of Boethius to the optical speculations of Isaac Newton, the exhibition revealed how musical ideas once shaped perceptions of man, nature and the universe. The exhibition had a wonderful launch with an evening hosted by Lord and Lady Eatwell in the President’s Lodge and the Old Library. The event comprised two brief talks on key exhibits by medieval music expert Professor John Harper and Cambridge composer Dr Tim Watts, followed by a private viewing of the exhibition. Queens’ College Chapel Choir delighted the attendees with a selection of medieval and Renaissance music from key items in the collection, some probably not heard in this form since the reign of Mary Tudor.

Through the provision of outreach sessions, the Old Library has continued to support the College’s engagement with local state schools. The team also provided several book history workshops for English and History students as well as more general sessions open to all students to assist College teaching. Another essential development has been the addition on Queens’ section of the Cambridge Digital Library (“http://www cuerlib.cam.ac.uk/collections/queens”) of a fifteenth-century gradual according to the Use of Salisbury [MS28], one of the treasures of this year’s Old Library exhibition, whose digitalisation had been made possible by the generous funding of Nan and Michael Kershaw (1975) and William Heard (1970).

Our team of volunteers has continued to play an essential role in helping us curate and preserve the collection. We are very grateful for their help, and would like to give particular thanks to Paul Harcourt for his help with cataloguing (we are also very grateful for the loan of one book from his personal collection for our music exhibition), to Eleonora Carinci for her digital photography on our website (queensoldlibrary.org), and to Arts Society members Fiona Ewart, Maureen Hemming, Rosie Lass and Jenni Ollerenshaw for the cleaning of our collections.

Although in March library staff had to start working remotely due to COVID-19, the important task of cataloguing and making the College’s unique collections understood and known to the wider research community continued. As we had to adapt to curate the collections remotely, this new situation has provided an ideal opportunity to advance several other important and interesting projects. Alongside the task of adding details of our recently catalogued books to international research databases such as the English Short Title Catalogue (ESTC) and Material Evidence Incunabula (MEI), Lucille Munoz, Rare Books Curator, has undertaken essential research into a particularly unique and important historical document, the Queens’ Library Donors’ Book [MS 47]. Begun in 1631, the Donors’ Book records many of the College’s early book donations (going back to 1562), some of them from Queens’ members such as Sir Thomas Smith (1513—77) and John Smith (1618—52), others from figures otherwise not known to have had links with the College. Created in an age when books were expensive and the library was a hugely prestigious college asset, the...
Donors’ Book sheds invaluable light on the intellectual, political and religious networks of which the College was a part. Through painstaking research, Lucille is preparing an edited transcription of the Donors’ Book that will help to link its often vague and sometimes scribbled lists of donated books with actual copies still extant in the Old Library. The edited transcription of the Donors’ Book will be made available online in due course and will appear alongside the digitised copy of the Donors’ Book on the Cambridge Digital Library.

At the request of the College’s Governing Body in July 2019, the Library is engaged in a project to explore the college’s Legacies of Enslavement investigation. This is running in parallel to the university-wide investigation announced in 2019. Although the pandemic and lockdown has disrupted the ongoing work, preliminary research conducted in early 2020 and throughout the lockdown has uncovered interesting results. Assisted by other College members, we have discovered details of slave ownership by former Queens’ members using online resources, such as the Cambridge Alumni Database (based on Venn’s Alumni Cantabrigiensis), and UCL’s Legacies of British Slave-ownership database. The initial findings were reported in a post on the Old Library blog (“https://queenslib.wordpress.com/”) in June 2020 by Harry Bartholomew, Library Graduate Trainee.

TIM EGGINGTON, Fellow Librarian with LUCY WOOLHOUSE and LUCILLE MUNOZ

THE SPORTING RECORD

BADMINTON

Badminton has been thriving this past year, with a strong league performance and a spectacular Cuppers run to finish. The First Team defeated top seeds Trinity and Cup favourites St John’s to come within touching distance of our first recorded Cuppers victory for Queens’, but were narrowly beaten 21-18 during the deciding match against former champions Jesus.

We are immensely grateful for the great support from the wider Queens’ badminton community. Over the course of the past year, participation in the Women’s league has nearly doubled, and Queens’ 1st and 2nd Teams have both retained their position in Divisions I and II respectively. As we expand the committee next year, we hope to increase participation from casual players within college as well as improve our playing facilities for regular shuttlers.

We would also like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Queens’ alumnus and former shuttler Jason Crease (2002), who kindly provided a sponsorship for College badminton team uniforms this year. This was instrumental in fostering a stronger team spirit, enabling over 20 team members to wear the Queens’ colours proudly during matches.

President and Men’s 1sts Captain: Lyndon Teng
First Team Members: Wenda Li, Patrick Zillessen, Eric Jou, Terence Lee, Isaac Han, Faiyaz Islam, Athan Siah, Lyndon Teng, Dhuraisamy Balan, Saket Koti

BASKETBALL

This year was possibly one of the more successful years the Queens’ Basketball Team have had in recent years. Starting off the year in the 4th Division, we hit the ground running. Consistent weekly training sessions led to a 2-0 start, thanks to the additions of Ognjen Milicevic, Flip Susulic and Petar Pesic. Losing our next game to Homerton meant we needed two wins in the last two games of the Michaelmas Term to win promotion. After a blowout win against Christ’s (the league leaders at the time) and off the back of a 23 point performance from Tom Adelio we won a hard-fought, 2-point win against Fitzwilliam and finished in a 3-way tie for first in Division 4 – promotion being granted because of our head to head win against Christ’s.

The Team was poised and ready for Lent Term and Division 3. With the very welcomed return of Hidde Boekema from injury, we went on to win Division 3, capped off with dominant performances from Alfie Crust and classy play from Ben Phillips.

The end of Lent Term saw the start of Cuppers. In a great team effort, we won the first game convincingly. However, after a hard fought second round game against a Division 1 side –
Hughes Hall – we were knocked out of the competition, finishing the season with an overall record of 9-2.

Looking to next year, we will have tougher challenges in Division 2 but nothing to which the Queens’ Basketball Team cannot rise. The aims will be to win Division 2, make it to the top of the College League and make a good run in the Cuppers Competition. An honourable mention must go to the players leaving us this year: Yakunin, Moskov, and Alfie Crust.

RAJAN MAHOON
Joint Captains: Dimitris Panayiotou and Vlad Panait
Blue: Ashley Priddey

BOAT CLUB

QCBC started the Michaelmas Term celebrating the naming of the G.A. Hayter, a new lightweight coxed four made by WinTech Racing, purchased thanks to a generous bequest from the late George Hayter (1939-2015). George was part of the famous 1962 crew, which bumped four times to take the Headship in the May Bumps and then won the Ladies Challenge Plate at Henley Royal Regatta. We welcomed various alumni from George’s era to celebrate the naming of the boat in a ceremony at the boathouse. During Michaelmas Term, the G.A. Hayter was used predominantly by the Women’s 1st IV to great success.

QCBC men began Michaelmas Term with two senior eights (plus a few spares) and enough new recruits to fill five novice eights. In University IVs, Queens’ won in the first round against Homerton before being knocked out by a strong Magdalene crew in the second round, while at Queens’ Ergs the 1st novice men’s crew (known as “Fire”) won their division. In Winter Head, Queens’ men produced strong performances, with M1 and M2 coming 5th and 3rd respectively. This success was continued in The Fairbairn Cup: M1 placed 4th out of 31 college crews (their best result since 2012) and beat Oriel College Oxford (winners of The Fairbairn Cup in 2016, 2017 & 2018). M2 comfortably won the 2nd Men’s division by 16 seconds and were awarded blades, having beaten ten 1st crews. Queens’ also was one of only three colleges to field four novice men’s crews at The Fairbairn Cup.

In the Lent Term QCBC men had an unusually large squad of over five eights, all of whom entered the Lent Bumps. Four eights qualified to race. M4 were one of only two Men’s 4th boats to ‘Get On’, but unfortunately ended their campaign down one overall, at ‘footship’ of the river, after missing both bumps and over-bumps by a matter of feet. M3 had to accept a technical row-over on the first day of racing, but, over the next two days, managed to bump both Maggie and Jesus M3. On the last day an errant seat hampered their speed, allowing them to be re-bumped by Jesus to end up one overall. M2 had their eyes on a second set of blades after wins at Winter Head to Head and Newnham Head, but had to settle for an overall score of up three after the boats ahead bumped out on the last day. Finally, M1 had a rollercoaster Bumps campaign. A handbrake turn allowed them to catch Emmanuel on the first day, then they rowed over on the second and were bumped by Fitzwilliam on the third. On the final day a skilled line by the cox into a fierce stream and headwind enabled Queens’ to take a revenge bump on Fitzwilliam and end up one overall.

The QCBC Women’s side had a senior squad of 16 rowers at the start of the Michaelmas Term and also recruited 45 novices, who were split into three training squads. Two crews entered University IVs and the 2nd IV narrowly lost in the final to Maggie’s 2nd IV. As Winter Head approached, the squad split into a 1st IV, 2nd VIII and 2nd IV. Both the 1st IV and 2nd VIII won their respective divisions at Winter Head, the 1st IV by a huge margin of 15 seconds! The winning streak continued in The Fairbairn Cup, where the 1st IV won their division, also beating the invitational Cantabs IV, and were awarded blades. The 2nd VIII came 9th in the W1 division but were the fastest 2nd VIII entered, while the 2nd IV were the fastest 2nd IV and beat several 1st IVs. Queens’ was also one of only four colleges to enter three novice women’s eights into The Fairbairn Cup.

The strength in numbers in the Women’s squad continued into Lent Term, with enough rowers to fill five eights. At Winter Head to Head W1 placed 2nd in the 1st Lents Division, while W2 placed 4th in the 2nd Lents Division and were the fastest W2 of the day. At Newnham Head W1 and W2 again placed 2nd and 4th in their respective divisions. Four women’s crews were entered into the Lent Bumps and three crews qualified to race. None of W3 had rowed Bumps before, and sadly their inexperience showed as the shock of the cannons and an unfortunate crab meant they ended the week down two overall. Having bumped up eight places last year, W2 were keen to hold off the competition, and despite a brief relegation to the 3rd Women’s Division, W2 managed to end their campaign when they began at the bottom of the 2nd Women’s Division. W1 had high hopes for the week and made quick work of their bumps on the first two days. On the third they narrowly missed out on an over-bump on Christ’s by half a length, after Fitzwilliam and Murray Edwards bumped out ahead, but they regrouped and finished the week in style with a quick bump on Murray Edwards on the last day to end up three overall.

President: Charlotte Hallam
Men’s Captain: Alexander Miscampbell
Women’s Captain: Pippa Sayers

Cox: William Gill, Coaches: Rob Jeffrey, Paul Knights.


University: CUBC 3rd VIII: Peter Stevens; CUWBC triallist: Laura Foster (Blue); CUWBC lightweight reserves: Ulrika Andersson, Billie Meadowcroft

CHESS

The Chess club this year has expanded on the work of last year’s President Michael Buch to include both the JCR and the MCR. This has allowed a good mix of players from a range of backgrounds to attend, all united by their passion for chess. Our sessions were held weekly and many welcomed the escapism that chess brings to the hectic Cambridge term. Many were a little intimidated when they walked into the Woodville Room on a Sunday afternoon and found a palpably competitive atmosphere as players thought intensely about how to outfox their opponents across the chess board (of course amicably with tea and biscuits).

Our strong presence as a college chess club compared to other colleges across the University did not go unnoticed by the University Chess Club. This year an inter-college chess league was introduced during the Lent Term. Queens’ was lucky to field two strong teams. Memorable experiences included Isaac Haan securing a draw against a very high rated player at Clare, and Imogen Camp brushing aside opposition from Peterhouse.

In addition to the College success in the league, Imogen Camp was strong enough to represent Cambridge at the annual Varsity Match against Oxford. This is what she had to say about the experience: “everything that could have gone wrong almost did go wrong on the morning of our Varsity Match. One player had to withdraw last minute and we nearly missed our train. However, once we passed the transport hurdle and arrived in Oxford, we all felt a lot calmer as we out-rated Oxford on every board except mine. We won overall 5.5-2.5, without a single loss. Overall, the day was thoroughly enjoyable.”

President: Karthik Kumar
Team: Imogen Camp, Jonathan Clark, Isaac Haan, Ivo Zerkov, Karthik Kumar, Filo Valdettaro, Matthew Wadsworth, Bernardo Lustrini

CROQUET

This year was a rather disappointing one for croquet. As the first year for a long time with a Croquet Club, we were all looking forward to playing on Erasmus Lawn in the sun, avoiding revision and pretending that we hadn’t seen our friends heading to the library. After last year, when we managed to get to the Cuppers quarter-finals, and with new croquet mallets and balls this year, we had high hopes for the Easter Term. But alas, it was not to be. Owing to Covid-19, we were not able to play this year. We hope that we will be able to return and play when we graduate, but for the moment we can only play at home. The running of the club has been passed onto Varun Randery, a fresher with promising croquet skills.

President: Callum Macdonald
Team members: Joseph Schwarzmann, Andrew Condron, Lucas Marsden Smedley

FOOTBALL

The Queens’ Football Men’s First XI had a very successful season, reaching the Cuppers Final for the first time since 2011. This Cup run included big victories against Peterhouse and Jesus, 8-0 and 10-2 respectively. A tightly fought semi-final saw Queens’ defeat fellow first-division side Churchill 1-0 with an 85th minute winner from centre-back Dan Braun. The stage was set for a grudge-match Cup Final between Queens’ and Fitzwilliam, but the game had to be cancelled owing to the Coronavirus outbreak. At the time of writing, CUAFC has recommended that the Cup is shared between the two colleges, although an agreement to play the game at a later date may yet be struck.

For the season as a whole, Queens’ had a very strong team including four Blues players. Unfortunately, the Blues Varsity game was postponed because of the coronavirus outbreak. Top scorer with 11 goals was Nick Hope, who also broke into the Blues team this year in his sixth year at the College. There was no league winner this year, but Queens’ remain in the top division of the Cambridge football leagues.

Queens’ College, Cambridge also defeated Queen’s College, Oxford, 4-1, again proving the superiority of our College (and University!) This added to the University 2nd XI’s victory in the football Varsity, in which James Remo featured.

Queens’ 2nd XI was relegated to the Fifth Division after a tough season. However, football remains a key part of life at Queens’, for example with indoor football in the Fitzpatrick Hall continuing to grow in popularity. With a number of Queens’ footballers graduating this year, the success of the game at Queens’ will depend on some new additions in the coming years.
First Team Captain: Luke Masom
Second Team Captain: Joe Schwarzmann
Blues: Ryan Hoffmann, Lukas Mertes, Oduma Adelio, Nick Hope

Queens' Women's Football have had a brilliant season, undefeated in the League and promoted to Division 1. Our only defeat this season was unfortunately the Cuppers Final, in which we lost to Pembroke on penalties. Our first game of 2020 was the Cuppers Quarter-Final, playing a combination of Christ's/Churchill/Lucy Cavendish away. On top form and undeterred by a three-college team at the top of the 1st Division, Queens' won decisively with a final score of 5-1. The match featured superb goals from Azka Yousaf, Bethany Kanten and Sophia D’Angelo. Queens' welcomed St John's/King's to Barton Road for the Semi-Final. The first half saw no goals with a superb performance by a solid defence made up of Gemma Lindsey, Anna Benger, Professor Julia Gog and Abigail Giles. An exciting second half saw three goals from Queens’, including a terrific goal from defender Abigail Giles. A score of 3-1 put us through to the Final at Pembroke.

A goal from Sophia D’Angelo in the 26th minute put Queens’ on top at half time. In a tightly fought second half, Pembroke got a goal to level the game. After extra time, the score remained 1-1. It wasn’t to be Queens’ day, losing out on penalties 4-2. The support from the Queens’ crowd was immense and we went on to Q-Bar to celebrate what has been a great season of football.

Captain: Jessica Barnes
Women’s 1st Team: Jessica Barnes, Gemma Lindsey, Azka Yousaf, Sophia D’Angelo, Tessa Hall, Rosie Mellor, Alex Bolot, Anna Benger, Katie Woods, Alice Whitehead, Bethany Kanten, Maryam Vaziri, Professor Julia Gog, Julianne Russell, Abigail Giles, Isabella Taylor, Rosie Jackson, Alice Li
Blues: Bethany Kanten and Sophia D’Angelo
Fellow Patron: Professor Julia Gog

MCR FOOTBALL

After a brief hiatus during the 2018/19 season, the Queens’ MCR Football Team was restarted, creating a team comprised of new, current and ex-Queens’ MCR members.

The team was fortunate to benefit from the return of ex-Queens’ MCR Captain Professor Richard Nickl, as a striker and he brought a wealth of expertise in navigating the MCR league, alongside fellow ex-captain Dr Lee Weller, who played at centre-back. The team was able to recruit two ex-Spanish league professional players, who were instrumental in allowing Queens’ MCR to play with flair.

Despite an unbeaten streak being stopped by Hughes Hall, Queens’ MCR rose to the top of their league, finishing in first position at the close of the Michaelmas Term. This placed Queens’ as the top seed for the subsequent MCR Cup tournament, administered by Cambridge Assessment Academical Football Club. The tournament proceedings were unfortunately cut short following COVID-19 regulations, with Queens’ MCR finishing second in their group stage and subsequently reaching the quarter-final.

Despite this, the season allowed for a successful coalition of new and old members of Queens’ to compete with fellow college and local Cambridge football teams. With a number of team members returning to Cambridge next year, the departing members of the team are hopeful for continued success in the 2020/21 season.

Captain: Dan Bacon
Vice-Captain: Matthew Odogwu

HOCKEY

The 2019–20 season can only be described as mixed for Queens’ College Hockey Club. Progressing into the second year of our alliance with Clare College, we hoped that we would be able to lure enough freshers to be competitive in the Men’s and Women’s college leagues. Unfortunately this proved optimistic and so attention turned to securing a solid run in the mixed Cuppers competition. A last-minute forfeit by Selwyn-Trinity Hall saw progression into the quarter-finals, where we were drawn against St Catharine’s – last year’s winners. The match was due to be played in mid-February, but Storm Dennis had other ideas, blowing over the hockey goals and forcing postponement. The replay was scheduled for the day of the Cambridge half marathon. However, not everyone was made aware of this gigantic clash in the Cambridge sporting calendar – not least, our very own goalkeeper. He later described setting off 10 minutes before pushback as “perhaps optimistic”. Needless to say,
we were forced to play on without a goalkeeper, with the keeper kit remaining firmly in the boot of the Nissan Micra waiting patiently for 10,000 runners to pass. Despite the lack of a keeper, the team battled fiercely, with Ben Rushmore scoring an outrageous goal into the top corner, assisted superbly by Frankie Harley. However, the lack of anyone to guard the Queens-Clare net proved to be the team’s downfall, the final score being a 3-1 loss. This marked a disappointing end to the season, but, with very few players leaving, we are maintaining a very positive outlook for next year.

Men’s Captain: Matt Roberts
Women’s Captain: Georgie Cooper

Key Queens’ Team Members: Matt Roberts (former Blue), Owain Houghton (2nd team colours), Ben Rushmore (2nd team colours), Izzy Montgomery (Frankie Harley (2nd team colours), Georgie Cooper, Isolde Pryle.

Blue: Izzy Montgomery

LACROSSE

The 2019-2020 academic year has been very successful for Queens’ College Mixed Lacrosse Club. Having rapidly moved from the bottom of the Third Division to the First Division in the two seasons of the previous year, we began Michaelmas 2019 ready to match the other top teams. With some newly recruited first-year students, as well as the regular second and third-year players, we battled a number of other colleges in weekly 30 minute games to establish our position as the third-ranking team of the Inter-College League by the end of the Michaelmas season. Only the Medics team and Clare College ranked just ahead of us. Many of our players, having never played lacrosse before starting at the University, had to learn on the job and very quickly picked up the skills which helped us achieve our high rank.

By the start of 2020, our new team kit had arrived, and we were ready to play another season. Lent Term saw us win seven consecutive matches against all of the other first division teams, making us the winners of the League. We obtained several bonus points along the way for scoring at least three goals in one match, our most successful match being a 7-0 victory over Sidney Sussex. As the Champions of the College League, we were ready to triumph again in the ‘Cuppers’ all-day tournament, which was scheduled to take place in Easter Term but was unfortunately cancelled owing to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As we each prepare, in isolation, for another year of lacrosse victories, it is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to Thomas Holmes, Daiwei Lang, Luke Masom, Ben Devoy, Will Gorman, Megan Wilson and Stephen Carter, who will be graduating this year (although some may return to play as post-graduate students). Their contributions to the Club and to our powerful team spirit will (hopefully) go down in history. A number of our players will also be studying abroad next year, and we look forward to having them on the team again upon their return.

Captain: Rory Garbutt

Team: Alex Benton, Alice Mee, Amar Shah, Ben Devoy, Beth Noble, Daiwei Lang, Emilie Pauwels (University Women’s Team), James Nelson, Katelyn Chelberg, Luke Masom, Megan Wilson (University Mixed Team), Michael Aarons, Olivia Mustafa, Rei Chin, Rory Garbutt, Stephen Carter, Susie Tucker, Thomas Holmes (University Mixed Team), Victoire Gueroult (University Women’s Team), Will Gorman

NETBALL

Queens’ Netball has had another strong year. This year we were able to put out two full teams. The firsts had a fantastic season and came top of Division 1 in the Michaelmas League, beating all the other colleges. The seconds were also successful and were promoted from Division 4 to Division 3. Owing to the abrupt end of the academic year, the Lent League and the Cuppers tournament were not completed. This was a huge disappointment to all the players as the First Team had a real shot at winning Cuppers, having won all the matches in the group stages. But, having won the Michaelmas league, Queens’ I stands as the top team in Cambridge!

Captain: Hannah Petheram


Queens’ Mixed Netball had a strong start and committed team. We began the year with a win against the vets (they accused us of cheating but a win is still a win…) and the occasional appearance of a Blues player (Laura Curtis) meant more victory! Highlights of the year included pub socials, wardrobe malfunctions, intimidating warm up music and angry vets. Unfortunately, our hopes of winning cuppers were dashed by COVID but enthusiasm is up and we are excited for next year!

Mixed Netball Co-Captains: Rosie Jackson and Lydia Farnham

Team: Rosie Jackson, Lydia Farnham, Joe Taylor, Dan Hale, Cameron Harris, Armaan Kamerkar, Hannah Petheram, Victoria Ayodeji, Jag Bhandal, Grisha Kirby, Ted Wallace, Laura Curtis, India Davies, Abby Zucker, Isolde Pryle, Jess Barnes

Blues: Laura Curtis; Tabbie Brough (CULNC captain)
Overall Queens’ College RFC had a 9-6 winning season, with James Lloyd as Captain. The new committee set out to focus on the team’s development both on and off the pitch. This included weekly training at Grange Road and social activities such as post-training dinners in QBar and pre-game brunches in the butty. The game of the season was Queens’ vs Homerton in the Cuppers Shield semi-final. After a tight 5-5 game at halftime, Queens’ pulled through after twenty phases of continuous attack and every player touching the ball to provide a sensational team try (10-5). Joey Reilly secured the 15-8 win with a breakaway try with 10 minutes to spare. Despite Queens’ being in promising position to win some silverware, the Cuppers Shield final was cancelled owing to the current Covid-19 crisis. Queens’ Rugby has come on a long way as a team both on and off the pitch. Joey Reilly, Player of the Season, taking over as Captain.

Special mention should go to the two Queens’ players who provided the second row for the victorious University team, James Horwill (former captain of Australia) and Flip van der Merwe (former Springbok international). Archie Smeaton won his Blue as a fresher and represented Scotland U20s.

Captain: James Lloyd


Blues: Archie Smeaton, James Horwill, Flip Van Der Merwe

Half-Blue: Elliott Stockdale (Rugby League)

Fellow Patron: Rowan Kitt

2020 has been a special year for Queens’ Squash. A large number of people have been a part of the squash community and it has been great to see members of Queens’ Squash engaging in the sport at all levels. The Michaelmas Term brought new members with varying amounts of experience and skill, but a shared interest in the game they love and enjoy. This year, we had three teams from the JCR participating in the league matches. Given the popularity of the sport within Queens’, the Club invested in a few spare racquets and balls, which were available to anyone wishing to have a game or a casual hit, and this decision proved to be invaluable.

The most exciting period for Queens’ Squash, however, was in the Lent Term. This term comes with the promise of healthy rivalry between colleges when the annual Squash Cuppers tournament is held. This year, we sent five teams to Cuppers: three from the JCR, and two from the MCR! Queens’ truly dominated the college squash landscape from the onset, not least in terms of participation. The opportunity to play Cuppers was given to everyone who was interested, regardless of skill level. It was exciting to see members not only engage in healthy competition but also meet new people from other colleges.

This year, Queens’ were brilliant in Cuppers. From the JCR, the second team reached the quarter-finals of the plate round, with some nail-biting performances from the team. The First Team emerged as Cuppers champions! After a crushing close loss in the finals against Churchill last year, we managed to chop this year’s team, Fitzwilliam, in a riveting finale filled with sweat, angst, determination, and glory.
Rather surprisingly, the most memorable experience of this year in Queens’ Squash has not been the victory, but being able to spend time on the court, practicing with different people, or perhaps lending a helping hand to those new to the game. I look forward to next Michaelmas Term, wherein, if the situation permits, we will see Queens’ Squash soar to new heights in terms of engagement and achievement.

President: Varun Babbar
Secretary: James Milner
College 1st Team: Varun Babbar (Half-Blue), Max Tan (University 2nd Team), Armaan Kamerkar (University 2nd Team), Vivek Palaniappam, Athan Siah, Kieran Paterson (University 3rd Team)
Fellow Patron: Dr David Butterfield

SWIMMING

Queens’ Swimming Team was “new” this year. We typically train three mornings a week for between one and two hours with different sets written and run by members of the team focusing on technique development and building endurance. During Lent Term we went to the London Aquatic Centre (Olympic 50m pool) and swam 10km in just over 3 hours. One of the elements within the swim was that we each rolled a dice to decide which stroke we swam next – this sometimes resulted in a tough 200m butterfly swim!

Two of our swimmers (Kazimir Uzwyshyn-Jones and Clara Bachor) competed in the Varsity Match and went on to win their respective events and relays. In addition, Kazimir was also selected to swim as part of the Cross-Channel Varsity relay and the Henley Classic this summer. Moreover, swimming was used as a platform to aid Emily Bradley in training for the Cross Country Varsity Match. Unfortunately, Summer Cuppers was cancelled but we would have had a good chance of winning it!

President: Cora Olpe
Captain: Kazimir Uzwyshyn-Jones
Vice Captains: Katie Shaw and Meredith Sullivan
Land Coach: Emily Bradley

TABLE TENNIS

Queens’ Table Tennis Club grew significantly this year following a broad recruitment drive in the MCR. We ran open sessions every week at which Queens’ players of all abilities could come and play casually against each other in shorter game formats, while learning to improve their game. We also entered two teams into the Inter-Collegiate Michaelmas Table Tennis League. As we had not entered the League the previous year, our Queens’ 1st team was entered into Division 4, and Queens’ 2nd was in Division 5. We had some fantastic competitive matches, which saw Queens’ 1sts go unbeaten and advance to Division 3 for the Lent League.

Queens’ 1st were on course for promotion to Division 2 following strong performance in the Lent League and a promotion for Queens’ 2nd into Division 4 was also looking likely. Unfortunately however, the final couple of games could not be played owing to the uncertainty at the end of term.

The Lent League ran alongside Cuppers, a knockout style tournament featuring the best players at every college. Bolstered by strong MCR players and plenty of keen players, Queens’ entered the most teams into Cuppers of any college: a total of four teams. Three of our teams won their first-round match but the Cuppers tournament was cut short by lockdown measures. This incredibly promising display of table tennis from Queens’ was great to see and the Club is hopeful for many more successes next year when we can hopefully rightfully reach the top of this college sport.

President: Daniel Hale
First Pair: Daniel Hale, Sam Phillips

ULTIMATE FRISBEE (PENGUINS)

Penguins Ultimate enjoyed a productive season this year. Our focus became recruitment and development, having said farewell to some of our most experienced players at the end of last academic year. We welcomed several new players and, both as individuals and as a team, we showed marked improvement across the year finishing a respectable seventh in Winter Cuppers at the start of Lent Term. A few losses early in the year didn’t get us down as we battled through some tough and close games to achieve highlights such as a triumphant 11-7 win against New ThunderCatz.

Additionally, Penguins proved to be the most spirited team, winning the termly Spirit Prize in the Michaelmas Term. A number of our players represented the University this year in various national tournaments and at the Varsity Match.
Emperor: Dan Mackinnon
President: Sophie Tran
Captain: Kazimir Uzwyshyn-Jones
Vice-Captain: Arthur Tan
Treasurer: Andrew Quarrell

WATER POLO

Queerwin (Queens’ & Darwin) Water Polo went into the new year with the ambition of winning a fifth consecutive Cuppers trophy. With a strong band of new players arriving, the team felt confident that it could build on the successes of the past and carry on Queerwin’s recent history of dominance. The first tournament at the end of the Michaelmas Term was a scrappy affair. It was the first time a few players had had a real go at competitive polo and it was their first taste of the unique blend of enthusiasm and intensity that is college water polo for some of our arriving veterans of the sport. Queerwin managed to claw our way to the final nonetheless, but found ourselves overmatched against a very strong combined college team. Not to be disheartened, we looked to the Lent Term and more training sessions with The Leys School. The Lent Tournament was much the same. Owing to injuries to some key players, Queerwin fell short of the final, being defeated in a close fought match again EmmaFitz. However, the team knew that these tournaments served merely as warm-ups for May Cuppers. Unfortunately, the Team will be unable to defend its title this year, but with many players staying on, the future looks bright for Queerwin Water Polo in its quest for a fifth Cuppers victory.

Captain: Stephen Carter
Team: Bengt Lofgren, Stephen Carter (University 2nds), Kit Gallagher (University 2nds), Beth Noble, Tessa Hall, Robbie Chow, Jason Kit Thinagaran, Balint Szepfalvi (University 2nds), Douglas Van Nierkierk (University 1sts), Calum Maney, Noah Milton, Ted Wallace
Half-Blue: Douglas Van Nierkierk

Conferring degrees at a Congregation of Regent House in Queens' Chapel

Fiona Bunn, winner of University Sportsperson of the Year

First year medics at the Medical Society Dinner 2020
The Lacrosse team

John Eatwell with the Three Dance Artists in Residence Kenneth Tharp, Adele Thompson and Sara Mathews

Mike Biggar, who raised more than £60,000 for the NHS by walking 100 steps in one month

The Mag Soc Orchestra (conducted by Will Rose) with Patrick Bevan – Bruch’s Violin Concerto

The Men’s Football team, who came joint first in this year’s Cuppers competition

W1 racing to victory in the new G. A. Hayter coxed IV
DISTINCTIONS & AWARDS – 2020

Because of the COVID crisis, there have been some changes in the way Classes have been awarded. As a result, distinctions are published below for third and fourth year undergraduates and graduate students only.

**Third Year:**

*First Classes & Foundation Scholarships*
- Marcus T H Y Au: Part II Natural Sciences (Pathology)
- James A Bayliss: Part II Mathematics
- Charles T M Bennett: Part II Architecture
- Katherine Benson: Part II English
- Patrick Bevan: Part II Mathematics
- Fiona S Bunn: Part II Natural Sciences (Biochemistry)
- Milo Callaghan: Part II Education
- Thomas J Chesworth: Part II Music (with distinction)
- Sanaa F T Cockar: Part II Natural Sciences (Physiology, Development & Neuroscience)
- Andrew Condon: Part IIB Economics
- Daniel J Davidson: Part IIB Economics
- Pavol Drotar: Part II Computer Science
- Rachel M L Fereday: Part II History
- Rebecca Goldsmith: Part II History
- Iman G Khakoo: Part IIB History of Art
- Ji S Kim: Part IIB Economics
- Teyun Kwon: Part II Classics
- Chun Y Lam: Part II Land Economy
- Emma M E Lecardonnel: Part IIB Human, Social & Political Sciences (Sociology)
- Edward F Loftus: Part II History
- Holly R MacAskill: Part IIB Human, Social & Political Sciences (Politics & International Relations)
- Lucas Marsden-Smedley: Part II Classics

The late Dr Silvia Breu. The first Silvia Breu Prize was awarded this year, to Michael Dodson.

Victoria Ayodeji winning the Outstanding Achievement Award at the Student Social Mobility Awards

The winner of the Tyro Prize 2020 Yixuan Cheng with her Guzheng, left, and MagSoc President Mia Willows, right.

The President as Deputy Vice-Chancellor in procession after the Congregation in Queens’ Chapel

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Clare E Mitchell: Part II Natural Sciences (Physiology, Development & Neuroscience)
Paul Norris: Part II English (with distinction)
Maya Nuyts: Part II Law
Ismene F R Ormonde: Part II English
Alison Owen: Part II Anglo-Saxon, Norse & Celtic
Dimitris Panayiotou: Part II Natural Sciences (Psychology)
Elena L Payne: Part IIB Linguistics
Iona G Pickett: Part II Natural Sciences (Psychology)
Isolde Pyle: Part II Natural Sciences (Pharmacology)
Mukul S Rathi: Part II Computer Science
Carlos Rodríguez Otero: Part II Music
Julianne L Russell: Part II Geography
Toby Saer: Part II History
Wilfred A Salmon: Part II Mathematics
Rosa E Serlin: Part II Geography
Jack A Silvester: Part IIB History of Art
Charlotte Spruzen: Part II Natural Sciences (Earth Sciences)
Constance Walsh: Part IIB Human, Social & Political Sciences (Politics & Sociology)
Alice M Wenban: Part II Computer Science
Megan B Wilson: Part II Natural Sciences (Psychology, Neuroscience & Behaviour)
Caitlin A Woods: Part II English
Aisha Xu: Part II Mathematics
Abigail R Zucker: Part II History

Fourth Year:
First Classes & Foundation Scholarships
Alfie J Crust: Part III Natural Sciences (Materials Science)
Laura K Curtis: Part II Modern & Medieval Languages
Timothy A Davidson: Part III Natural Sciences (Chemistry)
India S G Davies: Part II Modern & Medieval Languages
Eleanor Doggart: Part II Modern & Medieval Languages
Hongye Guo: Part III Natural Sciences (Materials Science)
James Lowenthal: Part III Computer Science (with distinction)
Oleg Malanyuk: Part III Natural Sciences (Materials Science)
Sophie Martin: Part II Modern & Medieval Languages
Billie B Meadowcroft: Part III Natural Sciences (Physics)
Noah Milton: Part III Natural Sciences (Materials Science)
Aleksandr Petrosyan: Part III Natural Sciences (Physics)
Matthew T M Roberts: Part III Natural Sciences (Materials Science)
Katherine Ralph: Part III Natural Sciences (Chemistry)

Filippo Valdettaro: Part III Natural Sciences (Physics)
Lex M van der Stoep: Part III Computer Science (with distinction)
Romy M Welch: Part II Asian & Middle Eastern Studies

Graduate Students:
Shukri B Ahmad Shahizam: Master of Law
Ho Ming Matthew Chung: Master of Law
Eileen T A Collins: Master of Law
Maxime Cuypers: Master of Law
Sin Ying Ho: Part III Final M.B. Examination (with distinction)
Jakub Karczewski: Master of Law
Kai Wai Leung: Master of Law
Thomas Martial: Master of Law
Niamh M McLoughlin: Master of Law
Niamh M Ni Leathlobhair: Master of Law
Helena G Ratcliffe: Master of Law
Dafni Samini: Master of Law
King Lun Yeung: Master of Law

PhDs
Rikke Amundsen (Sociology); Ankita Anirban (Physics); Diane Barlee (Sociology); Giacomo Belloli (English); Owain Bryant (Pathology); Juan Fernando Bucheli (Development Studies); Tessa Cacciottolo (Clinical Biochemistry); Juan Canaverera Herrera (Engineering – Future Infrastructure & Built Environment); Lucia Cordero Espinoza (Physiology, Development & Neuroscience); Yudi Ding (Chemistry); Richmond Ehwi (Land Economy); Luming Fan (Engineering); Xin Fang (Chemistry); Jinqi Fu (Veterinary Medicine); Thomas Gout (Earth Sciences); Cassi Henderson (Chemical Engineering); Michael Hope (Chemistry); Fiona Hughes (Engineering); Sara Kohnke (Clinical Biochemistry); Saana Korriki (Psychology); Alexander Kuhnle (Computer Science); Jiaqi Li (Economics); Fiona Llewellyn-Beard (Earth Sciences); Alexander Moran (Philosophy); Tobias Mueller (Politics & International Studies); Nicolaos Neocleous (Theoretical & Applied Linguistics); Chiara Pantarelli (Biological Science at the Babraham Institute); Daniel Petersen (Education); Moosa Qureshi (Medical Science); Anna Ramond (Public Health & Primary Care); Katy Ralph (Earth Sciences); Erland Skaldehaug Ris (Applied Mathematics); Rachell Sanchez Rivera (Latin American Studies); Maha Shash (Sociology); Xiao-Jian She (Physics); Felix Stahlberg (Engineering); Johan Suen (Sociology); Syuan-Jyun Sun (Zoology); Soichiro Tottori (Physics); Jonathan Tsang (Applied Mathematics & Theoretical Physics); Stephanus Van Eeden (Engineering); Shu-Wei Wand (Physics); Alice Waterhouse (Applied Mathematics & Theoretical Physics); Hao Wei (Pharmacology); Qingxin Zhang (Engineering).
COLLEGE AWARDS & YEAR PRIZES 2020

Joshua King Prize: Tom Chesworth, Max Jones & Paul Norris
Third or final year undergraduate year prize for academic distinction. King was Vice-Chancellor 1831-1834 & Lucasian Professor of Mathematics 1839-1849. Three prizes have been awarded this year, due to the exceptional circumstances.

Hughes Prize: not awarded

Venn Prize: not awarded

College Subject Prizes

Harold Bailey Prize (Asian Studies): not awarded

Robert Barnes Prize (Chemical Engineering): not awarded

James & Jean Bennett Prize (Engineering): Nicholas Foong
Established in 2016 in memory of Arthur James Bennett (1940), the Prize is intended to inspire the next generation of technology pioneers.

Braithwaite Prize (Mathematics): Isobel Probyn
Founded in 1981 in memory of George Braithwaite (1923).

Brendan Prize (History): Cameron Harris
The Revd Dr Brendan Bradshaw, Fellow of Queens' from 1977 until his retirement.

Max Bull Prize (Anatomy & Veterinary Medicine): not awarded (Anatomy); Jennifer Simpson
Founded in 1986 in memory of Dr Max Bull (1933, Fellow & Senior Tutor).

Colin Butler Prize (Natural Sciences: Zoology, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology): Max Jones

Brian Callingham Prize (Pre-Clinical Medicine & Veterinary Medicine): Isolde Pryle
Established in 2019 in honour of Dr Brian Callingham, Life Fellow.

Chalmers Prize (Physics): Daoyuan Qian
Established in 1967 in memory of Professor John Chalmers (1923).

Clayton Prize (Theology): not awarded

Colton Prize (Mathematics): Rosenna Temple

Construction Engineering Masters Prize: John Fitzsimmons

A. B. Cook Prize (Modern Languages): Ismene Ormonde
Founded in 1982 in memory of Professor A B Cook (Fellow & Vice-President). Professor of Classical Archaeology from 1931-1934.

Paul W. Davies Prize (Chemistry): Alexandra Alexiu

James Diggle Prize (Classics): not awarded
Established in 2019 to honour Professor James Diggle and his 50+ years of service to the College as Praelector and Director of Studies in Classics.

Engineering Alumni Prize: Sam Phillips
Given for excellence in any part of the Engineering or Manufacturing Engineering Tripos. The Prize was founded anonymously in 2002 by an Engineering alumnus.

J. Leslie Firth Prize (Classics): not awarded

Gamble-Scott Prize (HSPS): Keir Bradwell
Established in 2017 to recognise academic excellence in a first year student. Named after Professor Jackie Scott (Fellow) who retired in 2017 and her colleague, Professor Andrew Gamble (1965, former Fellow & Ementus Fellow).

Chris Hills Memorial Prize (AMES): not awarded

R. A. Ingram Prize (Economics): not awarded

Lucas-Smith Memorial Prize (Law): not awarded

Mathias Prize (History): not awarded
Melsome Prize (Medicine): Sin Ying (Jamie) Ho
For a student who is about to graduate. The Prize was established by W S Melsome (1883), who died in 1944.

M. J. Milgate Prize (Economics): not awarded
William Stanley Morgan Prize (History): not awarded
Henry Mosseri Prize (Physiology, Biochemistry or Applied Biology): Marcus Au
Founded by R V Mossen (1932) in memory of his brother Henry Mosseri.

Northam Memorial Prize (Economics): Daniel Davidson
Given to an Economics student who is about to graduate. Established in memory of Sir Reginald Northam (1919) who died in 1968.

Openshaw Prize (Mathematics): Carly Gilson
Founded in memory of Tom Openshaw (1970), who lost his life in a climbing accident during his last undergraduate year.

Lawrence Peel Prize (Engineering): Giovanni Scognamiglio
The Prize also takes account of the best all-round contribution to College life. Founded in 1985 in memory of Lawrence Peel (1981) who died in an accident shortly after graduating.

C. W. Phillips Prize (History): not awarded

Prigmore Prize (Engineering): Cristiana Diaconu
Founded in 1984 in memory of Basil Prigmore (1938).

Redress Solutions Prize (Law/LLM): Ho Ming Matthew Chung & Maya Nuyts

Alison Roper Prize (Natural Sciences): Max Jones

Susan Hamilton Thomas Prize (Economics): not awarded
Kenneth Waghorne Prize (MML): Alice Mee
For distinction in MML. A gift from the estate of Kenneth Waghorne (1939) in 2017.

David Ward Prize (Natural Sciences - Physical): not awarded
Wheatley Prize (Chemistry): not awarded
T. Penny White Prize (Classics): Lucas Marsden-Smedley
Established in 1842 by Thomas Penny White (Senior Wrangler in 1802 and Fellow).

President’s Subject Prizes
Anglo Saxon, Norse & Celtic: Alison Owen
Archaeology: not awarded
Asian & Middle Eastern Studies (4th year): Romy Welch
Biology: Max Jones
Chemical Engineering: not awarded
Computer Science: Mukul S. Rathi
Computer Science (4th year): Lex van der Stoep
Education: Milo Callaghan
English: Paul Norris
Geography: Bree Livesey
History of Art: not awarded
History & Modern Languages: not awarded
History & Politics: not awarded
Human, Social & Political Sciences: Constance Walsh
Land Economy: Sze N. Ng
Linguistics: Elena Payne
Management Studies: not awarded
Manufacturing Engineering: Armaan Kamerkar
Mathematics (4th year): James Remo
Music: Tom Chesworth
Natural Sciences (4th year): Billie Meadowcroft
Philosophy: not awarded
Psychological & Behavioural Sciences: not awarded
Veterinary Medicine: Emma Hobbs
Special Prizes

Beament Prize: Patrick Bevan
For outstanding musical performance by a junior member of College. Named after Prof Sir Jimmie Beament (1940 & Life Fellow).

Cyril Bibby Prize: Carlos Rodriguez Otero, Abi Smith & Tomos Wood
For an outstanding contribution either to the welfare of the College Library or to the general communal life of the College. Founded in 1984 by Dr Cyril Bibby (1932).

Chase Prize: not awarded

Dajani Prize: not awarded

Farr Poetry Prize: Peter Hunt

Hadfield Poetry Prize: Lara Cosmetatos

Ryle Reading Prize: Amber De Ruyt
For reading in the College Chapel. The Prize was founded by Herbert Edward Ryle (President 1896 and 1901). He founded the prize in memory of his son, Roger, who died in the President’s Lodge at the age of seven.

Silvia Breu Prize: Michael Dodson
Recognising exceptional teaching in Computer Science. Founded in 2020 in memory of the late Dr Silvia Breu (1976–2018), who was a Queens’ Teaching Associate.

Tyro Music Prize: Yixuan Cheng
Endowed by the late Professor Peter Watson (1950, Fellow Commoner) for the winner of an instrumental competition held in the Lent Term.

Other Prizes

George Band Sports Bursary: Ryan Hoffman (Football)
Eleanor Duck Sports Bursary: Eleanor Lee (Karate)
Griffin Sports Bursary: Izzy Montgomery (Hockey)
Richard Hargreaves Sports Bursaries: Oduma Adelio (Football), June Song (Dancesport)
Lill Sports Bursary: Holly MacAskill (Sailing)
Alex Stout Sports Bursary: Billie Meadowcroft (Rowing)
Mike Turner Sports Bursaries: Ulrika Andersson (Rowing), Peter Stevens (Rowing), Fiona Bunn (Orienteering & Cross-country)
THE JCR

The 2019-20 JCR Committee hit the ground running at the end of the last academic year, focusing our efforts on building a greater sense of college community. In the Easter Term, we had the opportunity to meet with the President-elect to discuss the experiences of students at Queens’ and the changes we hope to see in coming years. We also got busy making our own plans for this year. To ensure that we could make the most of our efforts and address the key concerns of the student body, we put together the first BigQJCR survey, the results of which guided our initiatives in the new year.

We started the academic year, as always, with welcoming the new cohort of Freshers to our College family. The JCR Room (Solarium) got a makeover with new beanbags and board games (including our very own Queens’ Monopoly), a TV and Wii, and even a cactus garden! We were very happy to see the JCR Room become a lively social space within the college instead of just another place to work. In the Lent Term, we launched the Humans of Queens’ series on Instagram – @queensjcr – showcasing the amazing students, staff and fellows in our community. We have also fostered a closer relationship with the MCR over the last year with joint JCR-MCR bar quizzes and committee formal halls.

The new 2020-2021 JCR Committee has been faced with an unprecedented scenario: at least one term of remote learning, with most students away from Queens’. We adapted quickly – three quizzes, a bake-off, film nights, virtual bingo and Pictionary all in the 2 months since the lockdown began. There’s a running club too, aiming to run 1448 miles collectively in May.

At the beginning of the academic year, we welcomed 140 new undergraduates to the college community, and eight new postgraduates. Freshers Week provided an opportunity for us to work closely with the MCR – a meeting of the minds, hearts and minds! The new MCR Committee saw the arrival of 300 postgraduates, mostly full-time, continuing the MCR community at its over 500-strong membership. The MCR Committee has yet again this year delivered its long-fabled programme of sports, societies, academic events and social events (COVID-19 allowing) fostering a vibrant and connected postgraduate community here at Queens’.

Over the Long Vacation significant development of the Woodville Room saw a complete redecoration and the introduction of new ‘essential’ potted plants and chic lighting. The newly inaugurated ‘grad bar’ enabled the graduate community to continue its Vacation Formal Halls with fervour, enjoying a fine selection of beverages served by the hands of our own under the leadership of Marilou Boddé. Freshers Week remained a highlight of the social programme with the MCR Committee, adorned in their new matching ‘stash’, seen busy running events every day for almost three straight weeks. On top of the numerous events led by our Ents Team and Stewardesses, Elizabeth Weir has continued her longstanding tea tastings with record attendance; indeed even in times of crisis these have remained a constant of the MCR calendar, albeit virtually. Rivalling this long-standing feature, the MCR Committee voted Doug Dennis (1963) as an Honorary Member for his continued service to us, guiding Queens’ students around the city and colleges of Cambridge on historical tours throughout the year.

The ever-popular feasts continued under the leadership of Andrea Wessendorf additionally arranged the inaugural event of the MCR Alumni Series, bringing astronaut Michael Foale in to address a full Fitzpatrick Hall. A Lent Term college debate set in the debating chamber of Chapel and chaired by the President, Lord Eatwell, further inspired the academic side of college life. The College’s celebration of 40 years of Women at Queens’ saw great engagement from the MCR both as speakers and as audience.

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Whilst the MCR has continued from strength to strength, the past year has also been one of the hardest faced by our community. In the Michaelmas Term we were badly shaken by the tragic news that recent Queens’ Graduate Saskia Jones, had been fatally attacked in a terrorist incident on London Bridge. Over the Christmas Vacation further heart-breaking news befell us as we lost Nourhan Nassar, a current MPhil student and warm friend to us all. Despite the challenges faced, we have been inspired by the pillars of friendship and support that the MCR continues to embody.

President: Will Ackernley
Secretary: Samuel Bell
Treasurer: Claire Fielding
Welfare: Elizabeth Weir
Diversity Officer: Sophia Salma
Women’s Officer: Aihong Li
International Rep: Jenna Foale
Steward: Aracely Castillo-Venzo & Margherita Protasoni
Formal Exchanges: Vivek Badiani
Woodville Steward: Freddie Markanday
Ents: Piet Lammers, Arian Jamasb, Paul Miller, Alexandra Nikolaeva
LGBTQ+: Susie Bower-Brown, Marcos Fernández-Álvarez
Academic Affairs: Andrea Wessendorf
External Rep: Roohia Salma
Sports & Socs Officer: David Brossault
First Year Rep: Brett Cotten
Owlstone Croft Rep: Adam Pullen

SCR/MCR TALKS

Now in their fourth year, the ever-popular MCR-SCR talks have yet again had a packed programme. Monday evenings call for the full works, with a packed cheese board and the finest selection of wines hand-picked from the MCR cellar (…cupboard). Fellows and Graduates assemble to enrich their minds and take in the breadth of Academia on offer. This joint venture has again been made possible by the considerable efforts of the MCR’s Andrea Wessendorf and the SCR Postdoctoral Convenor Dr Hélène de Maleprade.

The season opened with sessions of the sciences and technology covering topics from the micro-sensor monitoring of air pollution (Malar Chellasivalingam, MCR Academic Officer Emeritus) to the Entrepreneurship of Sustainable Food Production (Brett Cotton), with an ever so slight hint at the latter’s imminent book launch (‘Gene-trepreneur’, available in all good bookstores we’re assured). As the term progressed, we were able to delve deeper into some ‘fishy business’ (Rob Glew) on Seafood Sustainability and even to hear of the foundations laid for state and military pensions (Rob Bates).

The Lent Term began with lively debate following a presentation on Educating Fundamental British Values (Billy Huband-Thompson); little did our speaker know Sir Tony Brenton, former UK ambassador to Russia, and the President, Lord Eatwell, were ready to bring such lively debate to a hot topic of policy in the Brexit era. Talks from Fellow Dr Charles Brendon (Economics), and academic visitor Dr John McCallum (Foreign Policy – former Canadian Ambassador to China) kept us on a political note before Dr Jonathan Holmes (Dean Emeritus) brought us back down to our evolutionary beginnings with a talk on comparative shoulder joints. We were also fortunate to welcome Professor Khaled Fahmy of the Department of the History and Philosophy of Science, supervisor of MCR student Nourhan Nassar, who we sadly lost at Christmas, to present Nourhan’s work on Engineering Sciences of the hardest faced by our community. In the Michaelmas Term we were badly shaken by

The Great College Debate saw the democratically-selected motion “This house believes in a bright future without continuous economic growth” taken to the debating chamber (Chapel), with both sides featuring JCR, MCR and SCR members. Despite the best efforts of the proposers, the motion was defeated by the impeccable trio of Daniel Davidson (JCR), Esinam Akyaa Osei-Bonsu (MCR) and Professor Neil Lawrence (SCR). Presiding as ‘Speaker’ to ensure total fairness was our own Lord Eatwell with Dr John McCallum as his deputy.

Fast forward to the COVID era and the MCR-SCR talks could not be tamed. Now migrated to zoom, reaching listeners in all corners of the globe, our topics were suitably far reaching too. Our first session managed to cover the Politics of Poland (Chelsea Michta to zoom, reaching listeners in all corners of the globe, our topics were suitably far reaching too. Our first session managed to cover the Politics of Poland (Chelsea Michta to zoom, reaching listeners in all corners of the globe, our topics were suitably far reaching too. Our first session managed to cover the Politics of Poland (Chelsea Michta, were ready to bring such

QUEENS/CLARE OVERSEAS EDUCATION FUND (QCOEF)

QCOEF had a busy Michaelmas Term. Alongside the usual Halloween Formal, which featured the College Grace being delivered by the Grim Reaper, we ran a Queens’ Ceilidh, which filled the Fitzpatrick Hall. Participants thoroughly enjoyed both events! Nearly £1000 was raised between the two events, and will be donated to overseas education charities. QCOEF is now looking to branch out and pioneer a ‘Cambridge Scratch Map’ to sell for charity before we hand over to a new committee.
QUEENS’ CHARITIES COMMITTEE

It has been a busy year for the Queens’ Charity Committee! We’ve tried to re-brand ourselves and increase our profile, which means more activities, an Instagram account, and a lot of pestering messages from the President of the Committee on the College Facebook page!

As ever, our Harry Potter-themed formal halls were a huge success (the waiting list was four times as long as the invitation list!). We had a ‘Philosopher’s Stone’ formal hall in Michaelmas, complete with chocolate frogs and Hogwarts robes, and a ‘Chamber of Secrets’ one in Lent, with lots of jelly snakes and fake spiders, much to the distress of our arachnophobic Vice-President! The controversial ‘butterbeer’ was definitely a highlight: made of cream soda, butterscotch and whipped cream (sorry, I mean ‘magical potion ingredients’), our invitees were split between lovers and haters!

In the Michaelmas Term, the Committee got into the festive spirit with a ‘Home Alone’ cinema night, and a ‘Bridgemas’ delivery service. People filled in a form and we delivered candy canes with personalised notes to their friends’ pigeonholes. It was a thoughtful way to show some love, so we ran sweets deliveries for Valentine’s Day and Easter, too.

At the end of the Lent Term, we ran an Easter Egg hunt. We hid pictures of famous Queens’ alumni (complete with bunny ears) throughout the college, and rewarded successful hunters with chocolate eggs. It was really fun to celebrate the college community, but descended into a glorified crème egg sale when students were keen to skip to the chocolate-prize part!

It has been a rewarding year, and we have all had a fantastic time working together. The Committee is proud to announce that we have raised £3,818.77 in total – all of which has gone to Jimmy’s Homeless Shelter, a charity that is doing incredible work here in Cambridge. We can’t wait to get started again next year!

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COMPUTER SCIENCE SOCIETY

The Queens’ Computer Science Society is jointly run by members of the JCR, MCR and SCR and organises weekly talks, formal halls and events.

The Wednesday evening talk series continued this year, featuring presentations and workshops run by students, academics and industry professionals. These included a presentation on Agda by the current Part III students, a Computer Science ‘bar quiz’ at which students were split into groups and answered each other’s questions, and a talk on “six things a Computer Scientist can learn from doing student comedy”.

SCR and MCR members presented refinement types, “intellectual debt” and a talk on how to criticise a talk. The Part II students presented their individual projects, which ranged from simulating the evolution of natural language to creating a programming language that implicitly prevents data races. First year students also got a chance to practice presenting through a series of ten-minute talks given about mini-programming projects, which they had completed over the Christmas holiday.

The flagship event of the Queens’ Computer Science Society is typically the annual dinner, which was unfortunately cancelled this year because of the global pandemic. In its place, the Wednesday sessions have continued virtually, including a wiki-game session and a talk on the failure of a start-up by a Part III student.

Throughout the year and during the current troubling times, the Society has created a real sense of community among the Computer Scientists of Queens’ and this will surely be remembered by those who graduate this summer.

QED (ENGINEERING STUDENTS)

Q. E. D. holds some larger events and more casual gatherings of the Queens’ Engineering students throughout the year. We are an integral part of what makes the Queens’ students so close and friendly, hosting events and challenges aimed at bringing together everyone from first to fourth years. The highlights of this year were the annual QED Dinner held in Old Hall in the Lent Term and the scavenger hunt held for freshers in the Michaelmas Term.

QED is also involved in the distribution and presentation of QUELF (Queens’ Undergraduate Engineering Learning Fund) projects. These projects are kindly funded by the College and are undertaken by individuals or groups of students. Last year the QUELF-funded cardboard boat
was one of the last floating (you would expect nothing less from a group of engineers). Some students created their own Hackathon, learnt how to use 3D printers and even made their own drones from scratch.

President: Rajan Mahoon
Vice-President: Emily Bradley

QUEENS’ BENCH (LAW SOCIETY)

QBLS started off the year in October 2019 with our first event, the Freshers’ Drinks which was generously sponsored by HSF. Despite the absence of the Freshers (!), most of the LLM students attended, and it was a great opportunity for the Committee to meet some of the new lawyers at Queens’. We followed this with the very successful Michaelmas Dinner in the Queens’ Cripps Hall, which was sponsored by Slaughter and May. Happily, the turnout greatly improved on the Freshers’ side. Everyone left with a gifted ‘Queens’ keep-cup’. During the Lent Term, our Annual Freshers’ QBLS Moot was organised and was won by Adam Brown. Finally, the biggest event of the year, the Queens’ Bench Annual Dinner was held. Queens’ lawyers and fellows alike gathered for a lavish dinner in the beautiful Queens’ Old Hall. The Dinner was generously sponsored by HSF with Senior Partner and alumnus James Palmer (1982) returning. We were also incredibly honoured to have Advocate General Sharpston speak at the Dinner as our distinguished speaker for the evening. Overall, it was a great year

President: Maya Nuys
Committee: Daniel Braun, Jessica Barnes, Noémie Renier, Thomas Holmes, Haeram Jalees, Jason Chan, Joy Jia, Stephanie Sloman, Polly Chan.

MATHS SOCIETY

It has been a busy and exciting year for the Queens’ Mathematics Society, with a new group of keen first years arriving, leading to some of the highest attendances we have seen at our events. At times we struggled to fit everyone in the room! This enthusiasm from the new intake has also led us to elect a First Year Representative to the Committee for the first time.

During the Michaelmas and Lent Terms, we held four talks per term, alongside our annual Maths Dinner. The highlight of the year had to be our talk by Professor Wendelin Werner, who visited Queens’ in the Michaelmas Term. He spoke about how his love for football board games and curiosity with French rail maps as a child sparked an interest in probability theory and drove him to pursue research, for which he was awarded the Fields Medal in 2006. Our events also included a visit from our sponsors, Optiver, a trading firm and market maker, who have generously financially supported the Society for the past 3 years and have offered a number of our members internships and graduate roles.

These were just two of our most popular events in a year with many high quality speakers presenting a varying range of mathematical topics from modelling blood vessels in the eye to whether or not a computer can tell if two groups are the same (spoiler: it can’t!)

President: Carly Gilson
Vice-President: Ollie Croysdill
Treasurer: Anna Benger
Secretary: Charlie Brooker
First Year Representative: Benjamin Allanson

MEDICAL SOCIETY

The Society was lucky to enjoy the annual dinner in February before any disruption to normal life! The event is always a special evening; this year we heard from Dr Jason Mellad of StartCodon about the future of medicine with increasing technology and how this will enhance our future careers. After dinner, Queens’ alumnus Ahid Abood (1994) spoke about his experience of medical training and career progression, which was both inspiring and reassuring to those of us at the start of this career path.

We have enjoyed social activities integrating the different years, including the traditional Granta Pub lunch after the first and second year exams at the end of Lent Term. We knew around this time that we would be unlikely to return to Cambridge after Easter so it was a lovely way to catch up at the end of a busy term. We have been keeping in contact remotely with a Zoom quiz and checking in on each other. Now more than ever we feel the importance of our training and cannot wait to return to Cambridge in the autumn!

President: Isolde Pryle
Vice-President: Tabbie Brough
Vet Vice-President: Sonya Sadoughi
Treasurer: Ayesha Holderness
Pre-Clinical Social Secretary: Will Gorman
Clinical Social Secretary: Nahiyen Imann
Clinical Vet Rep: Beth Kirwan
Part I Rep: Renuka Chintapalli
Webmaster: Dimitris Panayiotu
MILNER SOCIETY (NATURAL SCIENTISTS)

The Milner Society has had another busy year with the Queens’ Natural Sciences Students. For the first time in several years (or as far as we can remember), we were honoured to host a guest speaker for our Lent Term Annual Dinner. The wonderful Sir John Gurdon, of the Gurdon Institute in Cambridge, gave a thought-provoking talk on his Nobel Prize winning work on nuclear programming and its prospects for the future, before joining us for dinner. It was a pleasure hosting him and biological and physical sciences students alike found his work fascinating with even Professor Eugene Terentjev getting involved in the lively Q&A after the talk.

In the Michaelmas Term, the third annual Estimation Evening was held with “an order of magnitude” pub quiz for scientists, led by Dr Jamie Blundell and Dr Jamie Gundry before Dr Gundry’s departure as Acting Director of Studies (Biological). This event was sandwiched by NatSci Mahal, to introduce incoming first-years to the Society at the start of the year, and our Christmas Dinner, celebrating the end of the first term. Thirty-six members of the society also joined St John’s Natural Sciences students for a formal hall at St John’s College in the Lent Term. We hope to return the invite next year once term resumes.

Owing to the current circumstances, we have been unable to run our May Week Garden Party, however we hope to organise an alternative, remote event. Our third and second year students have generously contributed time and advice to assist younger students in their subject choices for the next academic year, despite the disruption to teaching. A database has been created and distributed remotely. Our second years have also been providing support to our first years in weekly workshops throughout the year.

Joint Presidents: Iona Pickett & Sophie Chua
Committee: William Gill, Rachel Ibbott, Amrit Attra, Anna Anderson, Kazimir Uzwysyn-Jones, Hannah Johns, Thomas Marquand, Callum Churchman

ARTS FESTIVAL

The title of this year’s Queens’ Arts Festival was ‘More Future!’ The exhibition was a collection of archival material from the activist history of Cambridge University, placed in conversation with student work exploring themes of protest, dissent, and resistance. Speeches on decolonisation were played in a room of banners made from feminist and anti-racist placards from marches; homosexual liberation articles from the 1980s sat next to student work on the dehumanising and subjugating effects of homophobia and transphobia in their lives; stories of refugees’ journeys across racist, misogynistic and queerphobic borders were displayed in a room with student climate justice and migrant rights work.

Other topics explored in the exhibition included the stigmatisation of disabled bodies, the prevalence of sexual assault in Universities, and anti-blackness in the arts. A group of students also contextualised the pieces on climate justice with Queens’ investments in fossil fuels, as well as the amount the College spends on academic prizes when homeless people live outside our walls. The exhibition finished in a hall laced with banners, each holding words of hope for collective resistance and liberation.

Alongside the exhibition a drag night was held at Queens’, entitled DISSENT, attended by over 200 people. The night show-cased drag queens and kings performing on the theme of protest and revolt, discussing topics such as transphobia, misogyny and queerphobia. The night made over £700 for our chosen charity, Whitworth House, which is the only women’s shelter in Cambridge. We also collaborated with Hip Hop Soc for a spoken word night, ‘Spoken Solidarity’. There were some incredible performances ranging from Grenfell and black beauty to sexual assault and police violence.

President: Olly Banks

BATS

The renaissance of the Queens’ BATS continued into the year, with the gradual but significant re-establishment of Queens’ as a theatrical hub an ongoing process. This academic year saw three main shows put on in the Fitzpatrick Hall. The Last Hotel, staged in conjunction with the Cambridge University Opera Society, was a great success at the end of the Michaelmas Term; Tom Stoppard’s rarely performed Every Good Boy Deserves Favour, produced alongside the Lady Margaret Players, continued the musical theme with spectacular results. And Lent Term exhaustion was effectively combated with a bold version of Shakespeare’s (perhaps most under-appreciated play) Troilus and Cressida, which utilised a varied, postmodernist array of costumes and props to great effect. Going into the Easter Term, two new co-Presidents (Chakira Alin and Amber de Ruyt) have been appointed for 2020-21. Their first achievement has been to renovate the BATS logo – there’s excitement in the air to see in which creative directions the society will be taken next year!

President: Ben Philipps
CHAPEL CHOIR

The Choir's Michaelmas Term was very busy, beginning as usual with the welcoming of new choir members for the Matriculation Service. In November, we sang extra services for the University Benefactors Service in Great St Mary’s and for Remembrance Sunday. The Choral Scholars of the Choir sang in the President’s Lodge at a delightful evening devoted to music from the Old Library, with speakers from the Music Faculty presenting manuscripts dating to the founding of the College itself. As Advent and Christmas approached, the Choir sang a concert of Christmas music in the chapel. With attendance of well over 100, it is certainly an event we hope to repeat in future. A few days later we ended the Term with the traditional Christmas Carol Service: an emotional event in light of the recent London Bridge terror attacks which deeply affected the College and the University. The Choir acquitted themselves admirably, bringing hope and light in dark times.

In the Lent Term the Choir began singing a Choral Eucharist in place of some Wednesday Evensongs – another successful addition to the Choir’s schedule which we hope to continue. In February we enjoyed a rare afternoon away from Cambridge to sing Evensong at Ely Cathedral, and several senior members of the Choir were invited to sing in a group of select choristers from around Cambridge in a concert of music dedicated to the Virgin Mary, raising money for Cambridge Women’s Aid. The event was organised by Meg Webb and conducted by Carlos Rodríguez Otero – both Queens’ Choir members – and was held in Queens’ Chapel: it was a resounding success. We wrapped up the term with a special Evensong for International Women’s Day, which was a wonderful opportunity for us to support contemporary female composers by holding a service of music written exclusively by women.

The Choir was sad not to return to Queens’ in April because of the coronavirus, as we had some wonderful plans for the Term, but we are keeping in high spirits with regular group video calls, and we are looking keenly forward to getting back to Cambridge and singing together again in the future.

ROBIN PILLINGER
Conductor & Fellow Commoner advising in music: Dr Ralph Allwood
Aliki Vatikioti Senior Organ Scholar: Robin Pillinger
Choir Administrator: Ed Stubbs

Sopranos: Charlotte Collerton, Sophie Ellis, Eleanor Medcalf, Suzie Neave, Beatrix Swanson Scott, Mia Willows, Kate Crellin
Altos: Victoire Guéroult, Meg Webb, Rachael Kennedy, Eva Cottingham-Mayall, Genie Harrison, Savannah Post

Tenors: Andrei Smid, William Vinnicombe, Joseph Giles, Carlos Rodríguez Otero
Basses: William Rose, Tom Unwin, Kieran Chopra, Alexander Früh, Ed Stubbs, Sebastian Tyrall

CHRISTIAN UNION

Queens’ College Christian Union, part of Cambridge Inter-Collegiate Christian Union, started the year with a joint day of teaching, socialising and game-playing with St Catharine’s, Pembroke and Peterhouse Colleges. We welcomed new Freshers with a series of Church Search Breakfasts in Michaelmas and then began to meet bi-weekly for prayer together on Friday mornings and fellowship together on Saturday afternoons.

We also put on a series of evangelistic outreach events for the rest of college including multiple text-a-toastie events at which we would deliver a free toastie and answers to the questions of those who had texted in about the Christian faith. We also held a mince pies and mulled wine event in the JCR before heading off to the annual carol services together at Christmas.

A highlight of the year was CICCU’s annual events week, this year entitled ‘Life: is there meaning in the mess?’. We were joined by former Queens’ student Mark Lewis for the week as we invited friends and fellow students to join us at the lunchtime and evening talks, which CICCU had organised with Vaughan Roberts and Kristi Mair as speakers, to share the Gospel with hundreds of students across the University.

College Rep: Izzy Montgomery

CONTEMPORARY DANCE

Many colleges have an artist in residence, but Queens’ is immensely proud to have the only Dance Artist in Residence in Oxbridge, professional independent choreographer and performer, Adèle Thompson. Contemporary dance at Queens’ began in 1997 when Lord Eatwell appointed Sara Mathews (Rambert Dance Company) as the College’s first Dance Artist in Residence. Sara was followed by Kenneth Tharp (London Contemporary Dance Theatre) and then by Adèle Thompson (LCDT and Stomp). We continue warmly to welcome both Queens’ and non-Queens’ students, and also Cambridge residents, to a wide range of dance technique and choreographic classes and workshops. Our weekly technique classes all have live percussion accompaniment by composer/musician Dr Terry Mann. Live music really reflects and compliments the nuances, energies and dynamics of the movement and we are most fortunate in the skill of our musical collaborator who has a rare and real empathy for
what we are trying to achieve. We are also fortunate to have charcoal artist, Angela Hinds, to come regularly to sketch our work.

Alongside regular weekly classes and workshops we normally present Sprung! a spring celebration of music and dance. However, this special year we made a special performance in honour of Lord Eatwell as a farewell gift to him upon his retirement. Adèle devised and directed a promenade, site-specific performance involving both the previous Dance Artists in Residence and College alumna, Katie Green (2000). The invited audience were led through various pieces performed at several iconic sites around College, all performed by members of QdancE, the college’s contemporary dance company, formed in 2014. From the Porters’ Lodge the audience was led into The Round where the performance commenced with a high-octane Stomp-style piece using brooms. The event then moved into Cripps Court for a beautifully mesmeric contemporary dance work performed to the accompaniment of birdsong by a white clad quartet of dancers under the paper handkerchief tree, which had been decorated with messages of farewell and thanks to Lord Eatwell. A candle-lit procession of dancers then led the audience over the Mathematical Bridge into Cloister Court, where mulled cordial was served and Sara Matthews gave a speech explaining how the post of dance Artist in Residence came into being. She then introduced four choral scholars, who sang “Sweet are the uses of adversity”, composed by Jonathan Dove and commissioned by Lord Eatwell for his wife’s sixtieth birthday. The performance continued in the gravel pathway of the garden outside the chapel with a magical trio of dancers lit only by lights at the ends of their fingers to enhance the spatial calligraphy of the movement. The final piece took place inside the chapel, a specially commissioned work from Katie Green. Drawing the performance to a close, Kenneth Tharp gave a moving speech in Lord Eatwell’s honour before performers and guests retired to the President’s Lodge for a reception and final speeches from Adèle Thompson and Lord Eatwell himself. Adèle presented Lord Eatwell with two charcoal sketches of himself drawn by Angela Hinds.

The event was one of the last to take place before the College went into lockdown and was devised and orchestrated by Adèle as her very personal thank you to Lord Eatwell for his continued support of and commitment to dance at Queens’. This was her final performance at Queens’ – after an eighteen-year association with the College she resigned her post this academic year.

ADÈLE A THOMPSON
Dance Artist in Residence

FEMINIST SOCIETY

As part of my role as the Women & Non-Binary Officer on the JCR, I chaired the Queens’ College Feminist Society. The central aim is to create a safe space for women and non-binary people within the college, allowing us to come together, share ideas and learn from each other, as well as engage in discussions and express ourselves through arts and crafts.

On some occasions we had sessions discussing the key issues affecting the feminist movement, for example the importance of intersectionality – which more accurately reflects the different experiences of women as a result of race, class, religion, disability and sexuality. On other occasions we simply came together in a safe space to just be, whether it be through a chilled games session, bonding over food, or painting and creating resources for University-organised events such as Reclaim the Night (the annual women’s march against rape and male sexual violence). Every session was unique, but all with the crucial aim of bringing all women together within the College in a friendly, inclusive and open environment.

One of the key events that I organised as an extension of my role on the JCR, was the Queens’ College Annual Women’s Dinner, which was held with the purpose of celebrating ALL the women of Queens’ (Fellows, staff and students) and their great achievements. The night featured speakers from diverse backgrounds with the aim of recognising the contribution of women to the College as well as to the University.

ESTHER ADEmeno
JCR Women & Non-Binary Officer

GRADUATE CHOIR

The Graduate Choir welcomed many new members this year, and welcomed back many others. In addition to a Graduate Evensong in the Michaelmas Term, the Choir performed a packed programme at Christmas. The Staff Carol Service was, as always, well received, as was our singing at the MCR Christmas Dinner. The highlight of Christmas was our carolling at the Mill Road Winter Fair, at the invitation of Mill Road Baptist Church: for half an hour we drew a huge crowd, and even attracted two potential recruits (who sadly could not join us before the lockdown).

In the Lent Term, we once again took part in the Battle of the Choirs, which sadly was the last to be hosted by Lord and Lady Eatwell. Victory again went (unsurprisingly) to the Fellows’ Choir, but our performance of ‘Old Macdonald had a Farm’ undoubtedly drew the most laughter and applause, and we were pleased to join both the Fellows’ Choir and the Chapel Choir in a conciliatory performance of ‘If Ye Love Me’ by Tallis at the end.
Like all other choirs, the Graduate Choir has been affected by the lockdown that began during the Easter Vacation. Nonetheless, members stayed in contact, and the choir had lots of fun recording its first ever multitrack project (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3v8kiuh0GL8), singing Mozart’s Ave Verum Corpus, in lieu of our usual May Week performance. Contributions to this project were all of very good quality, and we were especially pleased to hear from a former member who had moved to Australia. Although it may be a while before normal rehearsals can continue, we hope to do more such projects over the summer. We look forward to rehearsing again in the rich acoustics of Queens’ Chapel, and heading to QBar afterwards.

Conductor: Will Rose
Administrator: Jonny Tsang

NATURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIETY

The Queens’ Nature & Environmental Society (QNES) was founded in September 2019 in the light of a quiet environmental scene at Cambridge. We were the busiest stall at the Queens’ Societies Squash, probably because we were giving out plants for free! We had a couple of quieter events in the Michaelmas Term – some litter picking and building an insect habitat for the Grove. In early Lent Term, we embarked on a bigger project and built and filled a six metre long continuous cactus garden in the windowsills of the JCR Room (AA Solarium).

The future of QNES is rather different, with its leadership handed over to the new JCR Environmental Officer so that it can work with the JCR to push environmental initiatives in College. Founder and current JCR President, Tomos Wood, is watching proudly!

Chairperson: Tomos Wood
Committee: Anna Jones, Max Jones, Boo Hinton, Fiona Bun

ST MARGARET SOCIETY

The year has been a busy one for MagSoc! As usual, we held our large end-of-term concerts in West Road Concert Hall, both conducted by second year music student Will Rose, and our Lent Term concert featured Instrumental Scholar Patrick Bevan performing the Bruch Violin Concerto. The Mag Soc Chrus sang Bruckner’s Te Deum and Os Justi in the Michaelmas Term concert and Schubert’s Mass in G and Fanny Hensel’s Gartenlieder – Lockung Op.3 No.1 in March. Alongside these concerts, MagSoc has been working on expanding the range of musical activities that we hold in College and being more inclusive, especially for those musical Queens’ members who don’t play an orchestral instrument. One such achievement for this year’s Committee was that we finally managed to purchase and bring to College our own MagSoc keyboard, for students who wish to use one but cannot afford their own. This has been a long-awaited addition to the College’s assets and the Committee are particularly proud of its acquisition! The addition of the keyboard meant that MagSoc was also able to hold the first ‘MagSoc Open Mic Night’ in Queens’ Bar, which was run by our first-year music students Tamir Smith and Noah Jay and was a wonderful success.

We also held our annual Tyro Prize competition, made possible by the late Professor Peter Watson, for members of college who would consider themselves ‘amateur’ musicians. The musicians who performed were an extraordinary display of the musical talent at Queens’, and we were very proud to present the award to Yixuan Cheng, who played the piece ‘Flow’ on the Guzheng. The judges were Mia Willows, Professor Julia Gog and Dr Jonathan Holmes.

In the Easter Term, MagSoc normally holds an informal chamber concert in our College Chapel, however with the current situation this has not been possible. The Committee instead decided to hold a ‘MagSoc Composition Competition’. The competition is open to all current Queens’ members and they have been asked to enter a piece of any genre of music in relation to a common theme. We can’t wait to hear what the College’s musicians come up with.

MagSoc is generously supported by The Farrant Fund for The St Margaret’s Society of Queens’ College. The Fund is named in honour of Mr Stephen Farrant (1956), who established the Fund through The Friends of Aliki Vatikioti for Music & The Arts, and we are extremely grateful as this means we can continue our mission of encouraging music making in Queens’.

President: Mia Willows
Committee: Eleanor Medcalf, Suzie Neave, Patrick Bevan, Will Rose, Alexander Früh, Isaac Barkway, Becca Nichols, Carlos Rodriguez, Noah Jay, Robin Pillinger, Tamir Smith
DEATHS

We regret to announce the deaths of the following Members of the College

David A. Sherriff (1933) in 2006
Roland F. Bury (1938) in 2002
Walter T. Hillage (1938) in 1995
Patrick W. Kemmis (1938)
George P. Knowles (1938) in 2018
Professor Maung H. Kyaw, PhD (1941)
Terence A. G. Silk (1942)
David G Widdicombe, QC (1942)
Keith B. Pearson (1943)
John P. Baker (1944)
Richard N.D. Clark (1944)
Dr Bernard A. Fry, PhD (1944)
Alan M. Grummitt (1944) in 2017
Richard Vanderplank (1944) in 2007
Edgar G. Ward (1944)
Peter H. Reynolds (1945)
Professor Maurice J. Scarlett, PhD (1945)
Richard O. Weaver (1945)
Ian S. Hazell (1946) in 2012
Dr J. Timothy H. Pick, MB, BChir, JP (1946)
Donald J Edwards (1947)
Basil T. Pegg (1947)
Peter D. Tyson (1948) in 2011
James S. Fowlie (1949)
David R. Francis (1949)
James Hope-Simpson (1949)
Professor Christopher N. Hudson, MB, MChir, FRCS, FRCOG (1949)
Peter Lloyd (1949)
David H Rees, CEng, MICE (1949)
Dr Geoffrey S. Coleman, PhD (1950)
Mark H.V. Hudson (1950)
Professor Ronald J. Small (1950)
Michael H. Bushby (1951)
Sir L. John Chalstrey, MD, FRCS, JP (1951)
Edward (Ted) H Cullinan, CBE, RI BA, FRSA (1951)

Dr Ian D. Howard, PhD (1951)
Michael P. Kershaw (1951)
The Revd Canon John H. Sheen (1951)
John H. Ainsworth-Taylor (1952)
Richard E. Jarrold (1952)
Miles R. Park, RIBA (1952)
Peter F. Smith, RIBA (1952)
Peter J. Jarrold (1953)
Dr Clive D.T. Minton, AM, PhD (1953)
John B. Wilks CBE (1953)
Timothy H. Roper (1954) in 2014
Dr Anthony G.O. Crowther, MB, BChir, Dr. Univ.h.c. (1955)
Rodney A.M. Dale (1955)
Arthur Robinson (1955)
Bryan P. Smith (1955)
G. Nevill Turner (1955)
Donald J. Willats (1955)
Richard E. Emms (1956)
His Honour Judge T. Hywel Moseley, QC (1956)
Dr William (Bill) J. Roff, PhD (1956)
Charles J. van der Lande (1956)
Professor James D. White, PhD, ScD (1956)
Richard Aldred (1957) in 2018
Antony R. Atherton (1957)
J.E. Ian Ferguson (1957)
Richard H.C. Lindley, MBE (1957)
Euan Macfadyen (1957)
John D. Perry (1958)
Sir Leonard V. Appleyard, KCMG (1959)
Martin V. Jones, MSc, MICE (1960)
J. Russell Muir (1960)
The Revd J.E. Guy Oswald (1960)
John R. Veale (1960)
Tariq Jafar (1962)
J. Keith Lewis (1962)
James I.M. Morrison (1962)
Roger P. King (1963)
Christopher J. Mellor (1963)
Christopher M.F. Langdon (1964)
Sir Richard O. Plender, Kt, PhD, LLM, LLC, JSD, FBA (1964)
A. Michael Sparrow (1964)  
David Welch (1964)  
Professor Gour K. Das, PhD (1966)  
Gerard Duffy (1966)  
John M. Hatherly (1967)  
Martin J. Roche, DVM (1967)  
Dr J. Paul K. Tillett, PhD (1967)  
Dr Stephen E. Eldridge, PhD (1968)  
Dr Osvaldo E. Baccino (1969)  
Martin R. Bandy, MEng, CEng, MIChemE (1970)  
David J.D. Charlton (1970) in 2014  
The Revd Dr David L. Harper, PhD (1970)  
Andrew L. James (1972)  
Dr Douglas Ferguson, MB, ChB, MD (1974)  
Professor Ian W. Townsend-Gault, PhD (1976) in 2016  
Andrew M Winstanley (1976)  
Bryan A. Young (1979)  
Dr Daniel R.D. Scott, PhD (1988)  
Saskia R. Jones (2017)  
Nourhan Nassar (2019)

**OBITUARIES**

**D. G. Widdicombe, QC (1942)** aged 95. David Widdicombe was born in St Albans and attended St Albans School. He was the first member of the family to go to university. After a year, as was usual during the War, he was called up to join the Army. Whilst still serving as a Lieutenant, he was asked by the Fabian Society to stand for Parliament in the Hythe constituency for the 1945 General Election. He was 21 and his agent only 20, yet, in a previously staunchly Conservative area, he almost won the seat for Labour. He was demobbed a year later and returned to Queens’, opting to read Law. All student publications had ceased during the War and he was part of the group that decided in 1947 to found a weekly University newspaper and they launched *Varsity*. In January 1948 he was appointed the second editor of the publication. Whilst at Queens’, David was an active member of Bats.

On graduation, David moved to the London area and took his exams for the Bar as a member of the Inner Temple. He became a specialist in government administration. Later he became a QC and was a Recorder and Deputy High Court Judge. His practice included cases in places such as Hong Kong and the Caribbean, which were still subject to British law. He edited the standard reference work on council rates. He also chaired the inquiry into the conduct of local authority business after the outcry over Dame Shirley Porter’s conduct of affairs in the City of Westminster. David lived for more than 50 years in the Primrose Hill area.

**Dr B. A. Fry, PhD (1944)** aged 92. Bernard Fry came to Queens’ in 1944 from Portsmouth Grammar School and read Natural Sciences. He obtained a double First and specialised for Part II in Biochemistry. In 1950 he moved, along with his PhD supervisor, to the University of Sheffield and became an Assistant Lecturer in the Faculty of Medicine. Within two years Professor Hans Krebs (the Nobel Laureate) had obtained funds to create a new Department
of Microbiology in the Faculty of Science at Sheffield and Bernard was promoted to Lecturer. The Department was heavily involved in the teaching of a Biochemistry degree course and also a one-year MSc Course in Microbiology. Sheffield became one of the most prestigious centres for research in Bacterial Metabolism, and Bernard was a key contributor. He published two books on Bacterial Metabolism and was an editor of the UK’s most important Microbiology Journal for 17 years.

His research moved from Metabolism to Molecular Biology and he spent 1956-57 in Paris working at the Pasteur Institute. Over the years he supervised some very successful research students. His research particularly involved Bacteriocins (proteins that some bacteria secrete to kill related bacteria) and Bacterial Viruses. These viruses became very important as tools used to elucidate the human genome sequence. He also served Sheffield University in many other ways. He was the Warden of Ramnook House (a hall of residence), Secretary of the Senior Common Room Club, Assistant Dean of Science for many years, and also Acting Head of Microbiology. In 1989 the Department of Microbiology was assimilated into the Department of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology. His tuition was of the highest quality and his lectures delivered with precision and total clarity. He was very generous with his time and could be relied on to give very sound advice on all matters academic. He is remembered as a good friend, a very wise man, a very generous man, and an excellent colleague. He and his wife Doris enjoyed 61 years of married life. Their younger son, Norman Fry, is also a microbiologist, working at UK Public Health, and is an editor of the Journal of Microbiology.

D. J. Edwards (1947) aged 93. Donald Edwards attended Tollington Boys Secondary School in Muswell Hill, North London. He came up to Queens’ after service in the Army to read Agriculture (not then a Tripos subject). He graduated with an Ordinary BA in 1949 under wartime regulations but stayed at Queens’ for another year to obtain his Certificate of Proficiency in Agriculture. In 1951 he went to work on a tea estate in India and taught Agricultural Studies to students there. In 1953 he met his wife, Annabelle Edwards. Soon after, they married and moved to Melbourne in Australia where Donald taught Maths and English. Donald had a passion for agriculture and growing plants. He had his first son, Adrian in Melbourne in 1954 and they then moved to New Guinea to manage a coffee plantation for five years in which time they had another son, Stephen and daughter, Christina.

After that the family purchased, and managed for seven years, an age-care complex back in Australia. They also purchased some land in northern New South Wales where Donald could indulge his passion for planting trees and growing his own vegetables.

Donald and Annabelle divorced in the mid-1970s and Donald then bought a property adjacent to Mount Warning National Park and spent the rest of his life there planting, revegetating and enjoying the peace and quiet. He enjoyed walking on the beach and Scrabble. In his final six months, Donald was cared for by his daughter; he passed away at her house two days before his 94th birthday. He leaves his three children, six grandchildren and many close friends.

M.D. Blake (1948) aged 92. Martin Blake was educated at Charterhouse before military service in a submarine supply ship in the Far East. He read Modern & Medieval Languages (Spanish & Swedish) at Queens’. He spent all his working life in Sweden, first in a paper mill and then for the well-known electrical firm Allmänna Svenska Elektriska Aktiebolaget (A.S.E.A.). He continued to work there after A.S.E.A. merged with Brown Boveri to form A.B.B. in 1988. He worked as a translator and a personnel manager. After retirement, he suffered from ill health and went to live with his sister in Cahors, France. A brilliant linguist, he was often described as “the perfect English Gentleman”.

Dr D. C. Heap, MB, BChir, MRCGP, MFOM (1949) aged 87. Derek Heap was born and bred in Rochdale and remained a Lancastrian at heart all his life. He attended Rugby School and came up to Queens’ in 1949 to study Medicine. He undertook his clinical training at St Thomas’ Hospital in London and worked there, before spending a year in Cyprus “chasing EOKA terrorists” for part of his National Service. He then spent three years working in Northern Rhodesia as a government medical officer where he treated everything from severe hippopotamus bites to leprosy and dealt with the 1961 Ndola DC-6 airplane crash in which the UN Secretary General, Dag Hammarskjöld, was among those killed. After his service abroad he returned to Rochdale to join his father in general practice. He became involved in medical politics in an effort to improve general practice and the contracts for general practitioners. He improved and enlarged the practice in Rochdale and it became a teaching practice. In 1980 he moved to Wiltshire as a consultant physician in occupational health, based at the Royal United Hospital in Bath. Upon retiring, he became a Cotswold warden, loving the outdoors and becoming an expert in stonewalling. He was a very keen gardener and traveller – his travels with his wife included the length of the Great Wall of China and visits to India, Bhutan and Nepal. He wrote a book on the village of Turleigh, where he lived, and another, Blue Clogs, about the history of his Lancastrian family.

J. Hope-Simpson (1949) aged 90. James (‘Jim’) Hope-Simpson came to Queens’ from Shrewsbury School in 1949 to read Classics. At College he was a member of the Boat Club and retained an interest in rowing all his life. From 1955–70 he taught at Bedford School, then served as Deputy Headmaster of a large comprehensive school in Essex. He sang regularly as a member of the London Symphony Chorus and had wide interests in music. He retired to Prestbury on the outskirts of Cheltenham and much enjoyed the Music Festival in the town. He left a generous legacy to Queens’ in his will.
Professor C. N. Hudson, MB, MChir, FRCS, FRCOG, FRA(NZ)COG, Hon. FCPS(Pakistan) (1949) aged 89.
Christopher Hudson was educated at Radley College and won a scholarship to Queens’ in 1949 to read Natural Sciences for Medicine. He did his clinical training at St Bartholomew’s Hospital, University of London, and went on to specialise in Obstetrics and Gynaecology. He worked at Bart’s, Hackney Hospital, The Mothers’ Hospital and Homerton Hospital, and spent a year in Ibadan, Nigeria. In 1978, he became a Foundation Professor at the University of Sydney, leading the establishment of the Obstetrics and Gynaecology Unit at the new hospital at Westmead. In 1986, he returned to Bart’s as Consultant and Professor and in retirement was Emeritus Professor. He authored 92 academic publications and five textbooks and was described by colleagues and former students as a brilliant surgeon and teacher. He developed an operation for advanced ovarian cancer as well as publishing important research on new medical treatments, which changed thinking on how to deal with this disease. Later in his career, he carried a banner for the management of HIV in relation to pregnancy, which had considerable influence on attitudes to and care of these patients. He saved countless lives and delivered countless babies and taught generations of doctors.

His extra-curricular passion was rowing, which started in his school days. At Queens’, Chris rowed in the 1st VIIs in the Lents and Mays and also in IVs and VIIIs in many regattas, including Henley. He was Assistant Secretary and later Vice-Captain of QCBC. He was also a keen member of the Medical Society, the Kangaroo Club, the D Society and the Boar’s Head Society. After leaving College, he devoted a great deal of spare time from the early 1950s through to the mid-1990s to coaching various Queens’ men’s and women’s rowing crews. Successful crews that he coached include the men’s crew that won the Ladies’ Plate at Henley in 1955 and the crew that went Head of the River in the 1962 Mays and won the Ladies’ Plate in the same year. Chris was often seen coaching crews on the Cam and the Thames always on a bicycle and accompanied by a large dog. A wooden QCBC boat was named after him. He was a member of Leander and the Stewards’ Enclosure at Henley and was to be seen there most summers. He was followed to Queens’ by his nephew Jeremy Sankey (1979), his son Dr Neil Hudson, MP (1988) and daughter-in-law Nicola Hudson (née Chedgey, 1988). He was a generous benefactor to the College and is survived by his wife Caryl, daughter Jayne and sons Grahame and Neil. He was a truly kind and generous man who devoted his life to the service of others through his work as a doctor, clinical teacher and mentor.

P. Lloyd (1949) aged 90. Peter Lloyd was born in Tabora, Tanganyika, where his father, an Army Captain, was serving in the colonial service. At the age of seven he went to boarding school at Ellesmere College School in Shropshire. He enjoyed his school life, participating in many sports and captaining both the rugby & cricket teams. His school holidays were spent with an aunt in Fairfield, Liverpool, and he had vivid memories of the blitz. He spent his National Service with the Middlesex Regiment and was very proud to have guarded the Tower of London at one time. He came up to Queens’ in 1949, first studying Natural Sciences, then changing to Law.

He met his future wife Jean, a nurse at Addenbrooke’s, at a tea dance. On leaving Cambridge his first job was for Avery Scale as a salesman. He then went on to join Marks & Spencer as a trainee manager, working his way up to Senior Executive, overseeing more than 30 stores. He retired early after 34 years and enjoyed his well-earned M&S pension for the next 32 years. He was an extremely hardworking, kind, generous person and happy family man, devoted to his wife, Jean, and his three children, nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He and his wife shared a love of boating. A small cruiser on the Thames was followed by a 40ft narrow boat on which they navigated many inland waterways. They owned a timeshare in Lanzarote and spent 35 years at Easter and in October sunning themselves. He enjoyed watching all sport, attending many England rugby matches, horse race meetings and international cricket matches. He was a great story-teller and, even when dementia set in, he would recount many of his past experiences to anyone who would listen.

M. H. Bushby (1951) aged 88. Mike Bushby grew up in Sutton in Surrey. His parents were not well off but he won a scholarship to Dulwich College. At school he played for the First XI at cricket for four successive years and also captained the school rugby XV. He undertook National Service in the Royal Fusiliers before coming up to Queens’ to read History in 1951. He played cricket for the University in all three years of his undergraduate career, captaining the team in his final year. He was an opening batsman (often partnering the England player David Sheppard).

After graduation, Mike became a schoolmaster at Tonbridge School. As well as teaching history, he ran the cricket at the school for 16 years from 1956, mentoring several future England Test players. He encouraged fast run-chasing and coached fielding in particular. The Times obituary said, “He was the sort of old-fashioned schoolmaster who bought his clothes from charity shops, had patches on the elbows of his jackets and smoked a pipe. He disliked slovenliness and people who moaned”. He was a diligent teacher – sometimes his comments on essays were longer than the essays themselves. He could be a strict disciplinarian, but was also known to tolerate the unruly – more than one rebellious schoolboy owed his career to Michael’s willingness to fight their corner. He never mastered even basic forms of modern technology and eschewed email or mobile phones. He even found photocopiers a challenge. After retirement in 1991 he volunteered at a home for people with disabilities and served
as a Samaritan in Tunbridge Wells. He continued to enjoy watching cricket and regularly attended Test matches at Lord’s.

Mike met his wife Judy (née Hall) on a blind date. They married in 1962 and had three children: Emma, Alison and Jim, two of whom are teachers. He leaves his children and eight grandchildren, whose company gave him much pleasure. Mike was a friend to many; friendship meant a great deal to him all his life.

Sir L. J. Chalstrey, Kt, MD, FRCS, JP (1951) aged 88. (Leonard) John Chalstrey attended Dudley Grammar School where he was a school prefect and Captain of cross-country running. He was a member of Tipton Harriers, the famous local running club. He met his future wife at a church youth club, though they did not marry until he had qualified as a doctor. His National Service was spent as a Sergeant Instructor in the Royal Army Educational Corps. He came up to Queens’ as a medical student and read for the Natural Sciences Tripos. He went on to St Bartholomew’s Hospital in London for his clinical training as a RAher Student (a scholarship set up by Barts for Queens’ students in recognition of the hospitality of the College to the Barts students and staff during the War). He won the Brackenbury Prize in Surgery at Barts. His early career included a spell as an Anatomy Lecturer at the Middlesex Hospital Medical School. He became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England and was appointed as a Senior Registrar at the Royal Free Hospital where he became the first Research Fellow and Senior Registrar in Transplant Surgery. A thesis on cancer of the thyroid gland submitted to the University of Cambridge led to the award of a Doctorate of Medicine (MD). He then returned in 1969 to Barts as a Consultant Surgeon and Senior Lecturer in Surgery, specialising in the surgery of oesophageal and stomach cancers.

He acquired a reputation as a supportive and approachable teacher. A sociable, kind and unassuming man, sustained by a deep religious faith, he greatly enjoyed the company of friends and family. He also worked for the Royal London group of hospitals and took on work at Hackney District General Hospital. He jointly set up the first fibre-optic endoscopy day unit in the UK independent healthcare sector and was one of the first British surgeons to embrace and specialise in ’keyhole’ surgery. He was Surgeon in Chief of St John’s Ambulance. He wrote many published papers on surgical subjects and contributed to books on gastrointestinal disorders, cancer in the elderly and abdominal operations.

In parallel with his surgical work he was much involved in the guilds and governance of the City of London. He was a Liveryman of both the Worshipful Society of Apothecaries and of the Worshipful Company of Barbers and had the rare distinction of serving as Master of both, of the former 1994–95 and of the latter 1998–99. He was an Alderman of Farringdon Ward from 1984 until 2001 and served as Sheriff of London 1993–94 and Lord Mayor of London 1995–96, the first surgeon to be elected to this office. His was a powerful voice in the campaign to save Barts Hospital from a Government plan to close it and he played a valuable part in ensuring the historic hospital’s survival as a major cardiac and cancer centre. As Lord Mayor he met and entertained many heads of state, most notably Nelson Mandela (he delighted in telling the story of how two of his young grandsons had shown Mr Mandela how to bounce up and down on the bed of state in the Mansion House). He was knighted in 1996. In retirement he loved painting in oils and gardening and was very interested in writing and history, leading to the publication in 2011 of The Aldermen of the City of London 1900–2010 and in 2016 of My Father’s Poems.

He was the dearly loved husband of Aileen, devoted father to Susan and Jonathan and much-loved grandfather of five grandsons: Adam, Edward, Thomas, William and Alexander. One of his grandsons, Adam Harvey-Sullivan, came up to Queens’ to read Medical Sciences in 2009. His brother Frank Chalstrey (1955) and cousin The Revd George Lloyd (1934) were also at Queens’.

Dr I. D. Howard, PhD (1951) aged 86. Ian Howard was born in Enfield but brought up in Shropshire. He attended Olbury Grammar School, where his father was the Headmaster. By early adolescence he had become an accomplished pianist and played the organ at his local church. He came to Queens’ as an entrance scholar in 1951 to read Natural Sciences, specialising in Theoretical Physics. He gave piano and organ recitals, played for the St Margaret Society and in Chapel and joined the orchestra, playing the viola. He regularly played the organ at King’s as well as at Queens’.

After a double First and several College prizes, he stayed on at the Cavendish Laboratory to study for a PhD in Nuclear Physics. In 1960 he moved to the United States to accept a position as a Research Associate at Florida State University. In 1964 he moved on to Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia, as an Associate Professor. He earned tenure in 1974 and continued to teach and research and serve as Professor of Physics there until his retirement in 1994. His research at O.D.U. centred on optics and acoustics and he patented an optics device. As a young man he was a keen hiker, biker and camper and in later life took many road trips across America with his wife Jeanette. He operated amateur radios for many years, built computers and was a very keen photographer. Railways, trains, bridges, all kinds of gadgets fascinated him. He continued to play the organ (he was a member of the American Guild of Organists) and sang in the choir at Eastern Shore Episcopal Church in Virginia Beach. He loved classical and liturgical music and attended many operas, orchestral concerts and plays locally. He is survived by his wife, a daughter, two stepsons and five grandchildren. His son predeceased him.
J. H. Ainsworth Taylor (1952) aged 87. After finishing prep school at St Edmund’s in Hindhead, John Ainsworth-Taylor received a scholarship to attend Harrow School, where he excelled academically and developed a life-long passion for English Literature and drama. He served his National Service in the Royal Engineers Bomb Disposal unit, before coming up to Queens’ in 1952 to read Economics (as advised by his tutors at Harrow). On graduation, he pursued a career in banking, starting off at Casanove. It was there he realised that banking and economics were not for him, so changing tack a few times, it soon became apparent that his brilliant mind was better suited to the newly released computer mainframes.

John moved with his family to South Africa in 1978 where he took up a post to set up the newly computerised systems at the headquarters of De Beers in Kimberly. On the completion of his three-year contract, the family found they had fallen in love with the country and they all decided to stay on. They moved to Johannesburg where John had formed a joint partnership to sell Information Builders’ software from America. This led him to become one of the main software licence providers throughout South Africa. He stayed in this arena for the rest of his working life. With a family keen on horses, John became a well-known and respected horse equestrian judge. His passions for literature, politics, current affairs and classical music continued throughout his life. He had been married to Sue for nearly 60 years and was a much-loved husband, father and grandfather. His father The Revd Arthur Ainsworth-Taylor (1902) was also at Queens’.

J.S. Fowlie (1952) aged 89. Stewart Fowlie was born in Edinburgh, but soon moved to Aberdeen, where his father worked as a Tax Inspector. He attended Aberdeen Grammar School until the age of 12, when the family moved to London. He subsequently attended Whitgift School before coming to Queens’ in 1949 on a state scholarship to study Mathematics. After teacher training in Cambridge, he joined Fettes College for a year before moving to Edinburgh Academy. He stayed there for the rest of his career, becoming Head of the Mathematics Department and then Senior Master. Apart from Mathematics, he had learned to love Scottish Country Dancing while at Cambridge and set up a very popular Reel Club at Edinburgh Academy soon after arriving. He continued this in various forms, for staff, parents and pupils throughout his career and into retirement. He also led his own Ceilidh band from the keyboard to provide live music for the dancers. He loved teaching and was sad to have to retire at 60, according to school policy. He continued to teach, first at Napier College and then tutoring pupils at Edinburgh Academy and several local primary schools. He developed a special interest in helping pupils with dyslexia, who he felt had special needs in Maths as well as language. He sadly lost his sight in an accident in 2006, although his resilience and resolve to keep learning and writing about methods of teaching on his specially adapted computer were quite remarkable. Until his health prevented it, he was also able to continue teaching Scottish Country Dancing, knowing every dance off by heart. Aside from teaching, he took a keen interest in local politics and was an enthusiastic and active member of Trinity Community Council. Gardening was also a passion. Education was hugely important to him and it was fitting that his final deed was to leave his body to medical science.

Professor P.F. Smith, PhD, RIBA, FRSA (1952) aged 88. Peter Smith was born in Liverpool and had vivid memories of hiding under the stairs during the blitz. He was educated at Liverpool Institute High School where he sang as a choirboy at the Anglican Cathedral and became Vice-Captain of School. After National Service in the R.E.M.E., he came to Queens’ to study Architecture, taking the Examinations in Architectural Studies and graduating BA in 1955. It was through mutual involvement in the Methodist Society that he met Jeannette Ferguson, who was studying Medicine at the University of Liverpool. They married in 1958.

Peter went to Liverpool School of Architecture to complete the Royal Institute of British Architects course, but after a year there returned to Cambridge in 1956 to take the Diploma in Architecture, coupled with some theological studies. He worked as an assistant architect in Liverpool before moving to Manchester where he was awarded a PhD in 1963. His interests in church architecture, theology and psychology led to his first book, Third Millennium Churches. His ideas about church worship areas being both democratic spaces and receptacles of natural light were apparent in his first church design, St Martin’s, Higher Poynton; he later went on to pioneer schemes for church properties that involved building houses on part of the grounds to pay for a new church. The first to be built on this model was Stoke Newington Presbyterian Church, which became the subject of a BBC documentary, ‘House of God with vacant possession’. He became a Lecturer at the University of Sheffield in 1965. With a colleague he designed a unique group of family homes at a site in the grounds of Endcliffe Hall, moving his own family into one of the properties. In 1968 he set up a practice, Ferguson Smith and Associates, which flourished while he continued to teach. He specialised at first in the psychological aspects of design and aesthetic perception and wrote several books in these fields, including The Dynamics of Urbanism (1974) and Architecture and the Principle of Harmony (1987). He became a Fellow of the RIBA in 1970 and a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts in 1980. He formed Equity Homes Ltd to design and build low cost housing – 120 of these houses were built in Peterborough alone. He was responsible for the restoration and upgrading of the President’s Lodge at Queens’ in 1983.
He took his family on camping holidays but the itinerary was always determined by the architectural photos needed for the next book. He was also a good artist and loved cars. A further passion was boating. He became an enthusiastic member of the Social Democratic Party and remained loyal after its merger with the Liberals. In 1986 he was appointed Professor of Architecture at Leeds Polytechnic (later Leeds Metropolitan University) and ensured the survival and accreditation of the architectural school. From the late 1980s he became increasingly aware of the scientific research about global warming and changed the direction of his work to concentrate on climate change and its impact on buildings. He was Chairman of the RIBA Environment and Energy Committee and RIBA Vice-President for sustainable development. He produced five books on the subject and one won the Chinese 2010 Outstanding Book Award for Imported Science and Technology. In 1996 he established the first school of architecture in which all the teaching was underpinned by the principles of sustainable development at Sheffield Hallam University and also served as a Special Professor of Sustainable Energy at the University of Nottingham. In retirement he listed his interests as writing and campaigning on climate change issues. His last book, *Climate Change & Cultural Heritage: A Race against Time*, was published in 2010. He has been described as a widely-read thinker, philosopher and innovator who was ahead of his time in his work on sustainable energy. Jeannette, who was a GP, died only a few weeks before him. They are survived by their children, Karen, Mike, Pam and six grandchildren.

**Dr C. D. T. Minton**, AM, PhD (1953) aged 85. Clive Minton came up to Queens’ from Oundle School to read Natural Sciences. He took Part I in 1956 and Part II, specialising in Metallurgy, in 1957. He played rugby for the College and was a leading light of the University Bird Club. He stayed at Queens’ to research for a PhD in Metallurgy, obtaining his doctorate in 1960. He was employed after university by Imperial Metal Industries. From his schooldays much of his spare time was taken up with the study of birds and the techniques used to trap and band them. He began to specialise in migratory waders and became the founding chairman of the Wash Wader Ringing Group. He was a pioneer in the use of cannon netting to catch large numbers of waders for banding and demographic studies. In 1978 he was appointed Managing Director of I.M.I., Australia, based in Melbourne. In 1983 he became Human Resources Manager of Myer Stores, then in 1986 Deputy Chief, General Manager and Director of Policy Programmes, Health Department of Victoria. Finally from 1988 until he retired in 1992 he was a Partner and Director of the Melbourne Office for TASA International Executive Search. Meanwhile he energised the study of shorebirds in Australia. He introduced cannon-netting to the Victorian Wader Study Group, which became one of the most active banding groups in the world. He helped found and became the first Chair of the Australasian Wader Studies Group. He led almost annual expeditions to North-Western Australia, particularly to the area around Broome, establishing the existence of one of the most important migration routes for wading birds, the ‘East Asian-Australasian Flyway’. Data he helped collect on the morphology, ecology and movements of wading birds has led to major government conservation initiatives involving Migratory Bird Agreements between Australia and Japan, China and the Republic of Korea. He was instrumental in the establishment of the Asian Wetland Bureau and the Broome Bird Observatory. He also led expeditions to study waders in North and South America and Russia. He was a Committee Member and Vice-President of the Royal Australasian Ornithologists Union and was elected a Fellow in 1988. He was awarded many medals for his work and in 2001 he became a Member of the Order of Australia for services to ornithology and the study of migratory wading birds. A forest falcon, *Micrastur mintoni*, has been named in his honour and he was considered the ‘father’ of global wader studies. He was sadly killed in a road accident in Victoria on his way home from a birding expedition in South Australia.

**Dr A. G. O. Crowther**, MB, BChir, DRCOG, Hon. DUniv (1955) aged 84. Tony Crowther was born in Leeds and was educated at Leeds Grammar School. He came up to Queens’ in 1955 to read Natural Sciences for medicine, taking Part I in 1958. He was a member of the Boat Club. He undertook his clinical training at The Middlesex Hospital and qualified as a doctor in 1961. After two house jobs at the Middlesex and one in Blackburn, he became a General Practitioner in Sheffield in 1963. In 1971 he also took on a part-time appointment at St Luke’s Hospice, helping to set it up. He published on palliative care and medicine and was an Honorary Consultant in Palliative Medicine at Westore Park Hospital Trust, Sheffield. Eventually he retired as a GP in 1990 to become Medical Director at St Luke’s for 10 years. He finally retired in 2001 and received an Honorary Doctorate from Sheffield Hallam University. His interests included travel, gardening, walking and philately. He leaves a widow, two daughters and two granddaughters.

**R. A. M. Dale** (1955) aged 86. Rodney Dale was born in Muswell Hill in North London, but, as war approached, the family moved to Cambridge and he attended the Perse School for Boys. Even as a schoolboy he began to develop his lifelong interests in writing, engineering and music. After National Service, at first in the Suffolk Regiment but later as a Sergeant Instructor in the Royal Army Educational Corps, he came up to Queens’ in 1955 to read Natural Sciences but found it very difficult to transition from National Service to undergraduate life. In 1959 he established Polyhedron Services, a design and print company. However, after four years developing that organisation, he joined two friends from undergraduate days to found Cambridge Consultants Ltd. This was the first independent research and development organisation in the country. He worked for the company full-time from 1963, initially heading several design projects before assuming the role of personnel and training manager. His book *From Ram Yard to Milton Hilton* (1979, updated in 1981 to mark the company’s move to the new Cambridge Science Park and revised again in 2010 for the 50th anniversary of the establishment of Cambridge Consultants) chronicles the founding and growth of the company. Meanwhile Rodney
was developing a parallel career as an author, editor and publisher. He wrote mostly non-fiction books on a wide variety of topics from biography to technology, computing to jazz music, illustration to folklore. He also wrote pantomimes, poetry and three novels. His first book was *Louis Wain: The Man Who Drew Cats* (1968), a biography of the artist and illustrator. From 1976 he became a full-time author – books included *The Tumour in the Whale: A Collection of Modern Myths* (1978) on contemporary urban legends (he coined the word Foaf – friend of a friend – to explain the origin of many tall tales), *The World of Jazz* (1980) and *The Sinclair Story* (1985), a biography of Sir Clive Sinclair, the entrepreneur. His work on contemporary ‘legends’ continued with *It’s True… It Happened to a Friend: A Collection of Urban Legends* (1984) and *The Wordsworth Book of Urban Legend: Tall Tales of Our Time* (2005). In 1984 he helped found Business Literature Services Ltd, a publishing house for business-related writing and in 1990 established Fern House Publishing. He was series editor for the British Library for eight ‘Discoveries and Inventions’ books. His novels were entitled *About Time* (1995), *The Secret World of Zoe Golding* (2010) and *The New Life of Hannah Brooks* (2013). There are books on computer programming, about abbreviations and acronyms, about proverbs and sayings, more about cats in books, about jazz, about his home village of Haddenham, about vintage motoring, about culinary and menu terminology, even about Dickens. His bibliography includes over 60 books. He was a trustee of the Centre of Computing History in Cambridge and of the Cambridgeshire Farmland Museum (helping to move the museum to Denny Abbey). He served as a magistrate and also on both Bar Hill and Haddenham Parish Councils.

**G. N. Turner** (1955) aged 84. Nevill Turner was born in Walmer, Kent, in 1935. He was evacuated to Scotland during the War before attending Great Walstead Prep School in Sussex. He went on to Rugby School before National Service in the Welsh Guards, serving in Egypt. He came up to read Natural Sciences at Queens’ in 1955. On his first day of lectures he turned up late and found himself locked out of the lecture theatre. Another student, caught in the same predicament, turned to him and declared that they’d better make the best of it by going to the races at Newmarket. This rather set the tone for Nevill’s academic career, although he was pleased to have been supervised by Francis Crick of DNA fame.

After graduating in 1958, he married his first wife, Cynthia, and went to Trinidad to work at the Texaco oil refinery. He spent the next 20 years in the Caribbean moving from Trinidad to Grand Bahama, then Mustique and finally St Lucia. After Texaco and a spell with ICI, Nevill moved into property development projects. He had great success selling land to the rich and famous on Mustique, where he met his second wife, Clare. They opened the Doolittles restaurant in Marigot Bay, St Lucia, together in 1976. It was a beautiful location but had no road access and was surrounded by dense jungle on steep slopes. Nevill demonstrated his engineering skills by putting in a funicular up the hillside, built entirely by local women to his design and direction. It was perhaps a fitting metaphor for his indomitable spirit and irresistible optimism. Realising, however, that he wasn’t really temperamentally suited to front of house duties, they sold up and returned briefly to Kent before moving to Virginia, USA. Nevill spent the next 40 years working on a series of ventures that included Morningside Assisted Living and the Virginia Chutney Company. He became a US citizen in 2010.

As a life-long lover of cricket he founded the Middleburg Cricket Club (MCC) which held matches against teams such as the Australian Embassy in Washington. On his death the *Rappahannock News* reported that the “County last week lost one of its leading entrepreneurs, raconteurs and a genuinely fine fellow. Nevill learned early to make setbacks the stuff of humour, never despair. Humour so dry it could comfortably slip into a martini glass. But never, ever, unkind.” He leaves his wife Clare, four children and six grandchildren, all of whom will miss his uplifting presence in any room he entered.

**His Honour Judge T.H. Moseley, LLM, QC (1956)** aged 83. Hywel Moseley was born in Carno in Montgomeryshire and was the eldest son of the Congregational Minister of Creigfryn and Llanwrnog Chapels. His parents both came from Welsh-speaking families and he was brought up bilingual. He was educated at Caterham School and, by the time he applied to University, was also fluent in French. He was educated at Caterham School and, by the time he applied to University, was also fluent in French. He was educated at Caterham School and, by the time he applied to University, was also fluent in French. He was educated at Caterham School and, by the time he applied to University, was also fluent in French. He was educated at Caterham School and, by the time he applied to University, was also fluent in French. He was educated at Caterham School and, by the time he applied to University, was also fluent in French. He was educated at Caterham School and, by the time he applied to University, was also fluent in French. Neill learned early to make setbacks the stuff of humour, never despair. Humour so dry it could comfortably slip into a martini glass. But never, ever, unkind.” He leaves his wife Clare, four children and six grandchildren, all of whom will miss his uplifting presence in any room he entered.
continue his legal practice at the same time. He was keen to promote the use of the Welsh language in courts in Wales and ran courses for the Bar, for magistrates and for English-Welsh interpreters as well as teaching students. Whilst at Aberystwyth he became embroiled in the controversial designation of one of the halls of residence, Panytechnyn Hall, as an exclusively Welsh-speaking hostel and was instrumental in the decision of the University Court to accept the proposal. In due course, after 13 years back at Aberystwyth, he returned full-time to legal practice, was appointed as a Recorder and then in 1989 as a Circuit Judge, serving until 2004 and sitting mainly in Cardiff and Bristol. He leaves a widow, Monique, whom he married 60 years ago in the Round Church, Cambridge, three daughters and four grandchildren. He died at his home at Llanbadarn Fawr, near Aberystwyth. His brother Elwyn R Moseley (1962) was also at Queens’.

Professor J.D. White, PhD, ScD (1956) aged 84. Jim White was born in Bristol, but, after their home was destroyed in the blitz, the family moved to India. He attended Sherwood College School, Nainital, until Indian independence when the family relocated once again to Devon. Jim was enrolled at Blundell’s School where he played cricket and rugby and won a scholarship to Queens’ to read Natural Sciences. He met his first wife Muriel at Cambridge and together they moved across the Atlantic so that Jim could undertake research first at the University of British Columbia (MSc 1961) and then at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In 1965 he obtained his PhD from MIT and took an academic position at Harvard, first as an Instructor, then as an Assistant and Associate Professor. In 1971 he joined the Chemistry Faculty at Oregon State University where he worked for the rest of his life, publishing papers right up to 2020. He was made a full Professor in 1976. Over the course of his career his work received national and international recognition including a Guggenheim Fellowship in 1988, the Royal Society of Chemistry’s Centenary Medal in 1999 and the American Chemistry Society’s Arthur C Cope Senior Scholar Award in 2004. He was awarded the status of Distinguished Professor by Oregon State in 1992 (Distinguished Professor Emeritus from 2003) and was awarded an ScD by Cambridge in 1995. He won the Medical Research Foundation of Oregon Discovery Award in 2003 and became the Oregon Academy of Sciences Outstanding Scientist of 2006. He specialised in ‘cycloaddition’ chemistry and the synthesis of natural products, replicating specific molecules isolated from natural sources in exact detail through a series of chemical reactions. His work was important in determining whether a particular chemical could be mass-produced for pharmaceutical or other use. He took particular pleasure in mentoring young scientists and colleagues, supervising many research students and post-doctoral researchers, and in their subsequent successes and work.

He was an enthusiastic member of Timberhill Racquet Club and was an accomplished player. He also loved to ski, especially with colleagues. His second wife, Valerie, joined him on the courts and slopes and introduced him to sailboarding. After her death and his retirement, he concentrated on gardening and travel, especially with the MIT alumni travel program. He often visited London, especially for classical music concerts and was an active supporter of the Corvallis Chamber Music and Corvallis Steinway series closer to home. He is survived by two daughters, Julie and Amy, and three grandchildren, Joanna, Logan and Andrew. Well known and widely admired in the synthetic chemistry community, he was a friend and a respected colleague to many and he helped to shape the careers of a large number of graduate students and post-doctoral coworkers.

R. Aldred (1957) aged 81. Richard (‘Dick’) Aldred was educated at Kingston Grammar School. He was in the first cohort of men who did not have to undertake National Service. He came up to Queens’ in 1957 to read English, switching to Part 1A Theological and Religious Studies for his third year. He played hockey for Queens’ and was a regular Chapel goer. He was deeply affected when his roommate, Edward Clark, was drowned in the Cam, just after hearing his final results. Edward was a very promising theology student from Kingston, Jamaica, and had decided to jump in the river to celebrate his results. So upset was Dick that some of his friends consider that he subsequently more or less tried to block memories of his time at Cambridge out of his life. After graduation he went to America to teach. He returned to England and spent his whole working life teaching in Rudolf Steiner schools. He and his wife were keen gardeners and lived in retirement in Stourbridge.

J. E. I. Ferguson (1957) aged 83. Ian Ferguson was brought up in Surrey, the son of the chairman of a large insurance company. The family had Scottish origins. During the War, Ian was exiled for a few terms to the outskirts of Glasgow, but afterwards returned to Surrey as a weekly boarder at a prep school, followed by Radley College. Later, Ian gave the impression that Radley for him was a tough sports academy. He was not a ball-player and was only saved by being able to run. At least his school prepared him for his subsequent two years of military service in the R.A.F. After training on the Isle of Man to be an officer, he served on a base in Norfolk. In 1957 he came to Queens’ to read Economics, but decided that “it offered not the slightest creative reward”. He therefore changed to Architecture in his second term and enjoyed that. He qualified five years later and meanwhile had married Pamela. He then went into private practice in Suffolk for two and a half years. There followed a sequence of posts: at the Scottish Development Department in Edinburgh, private practice in Brighton, the National Building Agency in Manchester, the University of Manchester, followed by UMIST,
where he was a Lecturer. Thus, he was accused by a friend of always finding it greener on the other side of the fence. In 1992, he settled down to private practice on Arran, where he spent his remaining days as ‘the English architect’. He left Pamela, but much later, Maureen, an artist from Arran, became his partner. He did however spend a lot of time, living in a converted barn near Perigueux, where he found lots of sunshine, good food and wine. In France, he enjoyed meetings of the Cambridge Dordogne Group. After he retired, he was active with Arran’s Civic Trust. He was a major contributor to the Trust’s book Buildings of Arran. Also, he worked hard to improve the island’s ferry services, as well as to preserve the character of Arran. On first meeting him, lan appeared shy, but soon it was clear that he was a civilised man with many intense enthusiasms. In fact lan is remembered by his contemporaries for enjoying fast cars, which he drove at frightening speeds. Certainly, he enjoyed arguing in a provocative and occasionally impulsive way. “Never own anything, unless it is either beautiful or useful”. As an admirer of Handel and Bach, he thought of himself as an aesthete, preferring to intellectualise life. He drew beautifully, wrote poetry, prose and successful children’s stories. Politically, he veered left of centre and was always suspicious of those in authority. He was an enjoyable and lively conversationalist, who had a sense of fun and enjoyed a laugh and a tease, especially with his children and grandchildren. He was always enthusiastic about modern designs for buildings and strongly felt that architecture should give every locality its identity, individuality and ‘sense of place’, displaying influences from the local climate, geology and customs. Clearly, Arran benefited from his care, attention and enthusiasms. Otherwise, his contemporaries were always delighted to see him and to be provoked, teased and cheered up by him.

R. H. C. Lindley, MBE (1957) aged 83. Richard Lindley was the son of an Army officer. He was born in Winchester and educated at Bedford School. National Service took him into the Royal Hampshire Regiment and he served in Malaya. He came on to Queens’ in 1957 with an exhibition to read English. Whilst at College he ran the University Film Society. On graduation, he worked briefly in advertising, producing television commercials, but was recruited in 1962 as a reporter for Southern Television, transferring a year later to ITN (Independent Television News). Initially he dealt with domestic issues including the death of Winston Churchill, but was soon promoted to be a war correspondent. He became a familiar face on television sending thoughtful and fact-filled reports from the front line in Vietnam and Cambodia and Angola, from the Middle East during the Six Day War, from the streets of Paris during the riots in the spring of 1968 and of Prague during the Prague Spring in the same year, from Bangladesh during the India-Pakistan War. He was present when Rhodesia declared unilateral independence and reported from Biafra during the terrible famine there. There were lighter moments such as his tongue-in-cheek reports from ITN’s attempts to find the Loch Ness Monster or the problems encountered when trying to film the return of Sir Francis Chichester from the first solo round-the-world yacht voyage. He was admired for his integrity, once walking out, with his crew, from a stadium in Dhaka where, incited by a guerrilla leader and encouraged by the presence of TV cameras, men were torturing and eventually murdering some Pakistani prisoners. Some other still photographers who remained won a Pulitzer Prize for their reporting, but Lindley always insisted he was right to leave, scoop or no scoop. In 1973 he moved to the BBC to become a reporter for Panorama. He remained for 15 years making a series of hard-hitting films for broadcast. He interviewed the Beatles and many world leaders from the Shah of Iran to Nelson Mandela, Idi Amin to Robert Mugabe, and got Saddam Hussein to admit that his regime tortured people whilst reporting from Baghdad during the Iran-Iraq War of 1980. He stepped in to front the show during the Falklands crisis and is especially remembered for his restrained but forensic and authoritative interviewing of the Defence Secretary, John Nott. He left Panorama after the BBC publicly criticised a profile he had made of Rajiv Gandhi, the new Indian Prime Minister. Side-lined to a Sunday daytime slot, he quit the BBC and joined the Independent Broadcasting Authority as a television regulator. However, he was soon lured back into television, reporting and presenting This Week for ITV and latterly World News for ITN, along with special reports for News at Ten. With his second wife, he founded his own television production company. In retirement he wrote two books about the history of the two famous television news programmes with which he had been involved: And Finally….?: The News from ITN and Panorama: Fifty Years of Pride and Paranoia. He also became a Governor of the Royal Free Hospital in London, eventually taking the role of lead Governor as well as chairing a housing charity, St Pancras Almshouses. He was Chair of the organisation Voice of the Listener and Viewer and served as President of the Media Society. He was appointed MBE for his charity work in 2017, but he will be especially remembered for his integrity and courage as a journalist.

J. D. Perry, MBA (1958) aged 83. John Perry was born in Isleworth, London. He was a pupil at Dulwich College where he excelled both academically and at sports. He served in the Army from 1956-58. After completing his undergraduate degree in History at Queens’, where he also ran for the Cross-Country Club, John went on to complete a master’s degree in business management in the United States, and stayed there to make a life. He married Sybil McGiveran in 1966, and together they raised three sons. He built a career as a business consultant, specializing in strategic planning and implementation. He loved his family, poetry, and the outdoors, and was concerned about politics and the state of the world. He was a voracious reader and seeker of knowledge. His quest for learning never waned. Writing poetry was a lifelong interest, and once he moved to the Sharon area, he joined the Oliver Wolcott Poetry Group. He also was a man who ate with gusto and who loved marmalade, but not chocolate. He was involved with the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) for most of his adult life. He began attending meetings for worship in 1971 and became a member in 1976. John participated in many roles on both local and state levels and was an active volunteer in the Alternatives to Violence Project. He was enriched by opportunities for
deepening his connection with God and caring for others. He is survived by his wife, Sybil, and by two of his sons, Ted and David. He died peacefully after battling with Parkinson’s Disease for over twenty years.

Sir Leonard V. Appleyard, KCVO (1959) aged 81. Leonard Appleyard was born in Cawood, Yorkshire, the son of an agricultural labourer. He attended Drax Grammar School (now the Read School). He served in the RAF for his National Service and was sent to learn Russian at the Joint Services School for Linguists. He read Classical Chinese at Queens’ and joined the Foreign Office after graduation in 1962. He began on the Russian desk (it was the time of the Bay of Pigs invasion) but within two years he was appointed Third Secretary in Hong Kong where he immediately set out to learn colloquial Mandarin (he quipped that his degree meant that he “could have a good conversation with Confucius but not order a coffee”). In 1966 he was sent to Beijing and soon found himself coping with Mao Zedong’s ‘Cultural Revolution’. He was present when a mob attacked the British Compound, threatened the staff and burnt down his office. After that posting he spent time in Whitehall before spells as First Secretary in Delhi, then in Moscow. A posting in Paris as Financial Counsellor gave him insight into the workings of the European Union and the financial markets, an important preliminary to his next job as Head of Economic Relations at the Foreign Office. In 1984 he was appointed Private Secretary to the Foreign Secretary, Sir Geoffrey Howe, and was one of two civil servants caught up in the bombing of the Grand Hotel at Brighton during the Conservative Party Conference. From 1986 to 1989 he was British Ambassador in Hungary (learning Hungarian to such a high standard that he was able to provide commentary on English football for Hungarian TV) in the key years leading up to the collapse of Communism in Eastern Europe. For the next 5 years he worked back in London, first as Deputy Secretary in the Cabinet Office for Foreign Policy and Defence (during which period he served as Secretary of the Gulf War Cabinet) and then as Deputy Under-Secretary and Political Director of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. Then in 1994 he was appointed British Ambassador to the People’s Republic of China. During his tenure as Ambassador he had to deal with the ‘Third Taiwan Strait Crisis’ (when China conducted missile tests in the waters around Taiwan) and also the handover of Hong Kong to the Chinese in 1997 (he had been one of the masterminds of the agreement, signed in 1984). On his retirement from the Diplomatic Service he became a Vice-Chairman of Barclays Capital, using his experience of economic affairs and his Chinese contacts to great effect. He settled in a village in Hampshire and was Chair of the Winchester Cathedral Council and Vice-President of the Hampshire Archives Trust. He was invited to become Pro-Chancellor of Bournemouth University and was Visiting Professor at the University of Southampton. He was also joint Chairman of the Nuffield Languages Programme Steering Group. Short and energetic, he was endued with great personal self-confidence and what has been described as “forthrightness with an instinct for the jugular”. Nevertheless, he took good care of his staff and was very hard-working and charming. He was a keen golfer, a lover of history and of opera, and a lifelong football fan.

The Revd J. E. G. Oswald (1960) aged 80. Guy Oswald was born in 1939 in Lowestoft, the third child of The Revd William H. Oswald (Queens’ 1919). Though baptised as John, he was always known as Guy after his much-loved uncle, The Rt Revd Guy Bullen (Queens’ 1919), the first Anglican bishop in the (then) Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. From 1953 he attended Lancing College as a Scholar. After training in the school’s Combined Cadet Force, Guy did his National Service in the Army, was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant and was based in Singapore for some of that time. He came up to Queens’ in 1960 to study Theology, Biblical Hebrew and Arabic, gaining first class honours. He then went on to Ridley Hall, Cambridge, to study for ordination in the Church of England. He was ordained Deacon in 1968 and Priest in 1969 in the Diocese of Bristol, serving first as a Curate at St Paul’s, Chippenham, with St Peter’s, Langley Burrell. After four years there he moved to Christ Church, Henegrove, Bristol, then in 1975 returned to Chippenham as Priest-in-charge of St Nicholas’ Hardenhuish and St Michael & All Angels, Kington St Michael, becoming Team Vicar in 1979.

During this time, he met his wife Jane. Guy and Jane were married in 1977 and their daughter Helen was born in 1980. In 1982, Guy and his family moved to take up the post of Priest-in-charge of Great and Little Somerford and Seagery. Later the parishes of Corston and Rodbourne were added and in 1986 he became Rector. He was also Chairman of the School Governors at both Walter Powell Primary School in Great Somerford and Seagery Primary School. He was devoted to his ministry and to his parishioners, he loved being with people and was hard working, always conscientious, trying to do his best and to make a difference and he was an inspiration to all he met. He was much admired and respected by the community that he served for those 26 years. In 2009, at the age of 70, Guy retired, and he and Jane moved to Draycot Cerne. He continued to take services up until a few years ago, but sadly he suffered a serious fall early in 2020 and died a few days later. He will be remembered as a kind, caring man, who had the great ability to put everyone at ease with his reassuring manner and was always ready and willing to listen to and help others.

J. R. Veale (1960) aged 77. John Veale came to Queens’ from Sedbergh. Both Peter Mawby, his exact contemporary at Sedbergh, and John developed at school an enduring love of music and a professionalism in its performance: John’s instrument was first the French Horn, but later his wife Kate persuade him to swap to the ‘cello. John made the most of life as an undergraduate. He was a member of the Boat Club and his academic diligence and organisation, as well as his
John loved his life as an engineer. Work with Wimpey, first as a Soils Engineer and then in the Civil and Structural Design Office, took him to many parts of the globe in positions of increasing responsibility. He was heavily involved in the 1980s with the Severn Tidal Power Barrage feasibility study. He was passionately committed to devising responsible sources of energy, recognising the developing crisis of our planet well before it became headline news. That concern made him very involved with conservation issues, very aware of the historical heritage of Merton, where he and his wife Kate had made their home, and a powerful voice on the John Innes Conservation Society. In 1992, as an 80th birthday present to Henry Hart, sometime Dean, a small group of Queens’ people started the annual Hart Walk in the Lakes. Many had enjoyed walking in the Lakes with Henry Hart when undergraduates. The athletic demands of the walks were balanced by a very good dinner and, at the end of what became a two day event, tea and scones with Henry and his wife Gillian at the Royal Oak in Rosthwaite. After John joined in 1994, he was an assiduous and much loved attender, a challenging and entertaining figure to follow on the hills, and even after his illness was first diagnosed and he was submitting selflessly, in the cause of medical research, to many experimental and often debilitating treatments, he continued to come. He never complained, was always cheerful, and his witty and erudite puns will long be remembered. His friends were constantly amazed by his optimism and cheerfulness in the face of increasing difficulties.

J.K. Lewis (1962) aged 77. Although Keith Lewis initially came up to Queens’ from Arnold School, Blackpool, in 1961, to read Natural Sciences, he was taken ill and had to return home after three weeks, deferring his place to the following year. At school he was a keen member of the Fylde Mountainieering Club and his love of walking in the hills started at an early age. He acquired an encyclopaedic knowledge of the Lake District and was a fount of information about the natural world. At College he was a member of the Boat Club and the Queen’s Triumphant Rowing Club and member of the University Mountaineering Club. Initially he studied maths and the physical sciences but later moved his focus to biochemistry. He then decided to change to medicine and was accepted by Queens’ as a medical transfer student. He stayed an extra year at College to study the necessary 2ndMB subjects and started clinical training at Queen Mary Hospital. Sadly, ill health intervened again and he was unable to complete his training as a doctor. From 1970 until 1978 he worked in the Clinical Biochemistry Department in Manchester (North Manchester General Hospital then Manchester Royal Infirmary). He then took up a post teaching Mathematics at St Wilfrid’s Church of England High School in Blackburn. In 1988 Keith moved to Blackburn College, and then in 1990 to Accrington College. Two years later he started working on a freelance basis, and continued to teach until fairly recently. Keith had four sons and a daughter who he took on many camping and walking or cycling holidays, initially in the Lakes but later in Scotland and the Alps. His stated recreations included cycling and music but his greatest love was fell-walking. He served as organist and choirmaster of Blackburn Polish Chapel. Though a private and disciplined man, he has been described as a colourful character who “always had a way of filling a room with laughter”. He had a knack of mislaying things so departure on walks or excursions could be long delayed. He was welcoming and always prepared to take time to talk with family or friends and always keen to entertain everyone. He made regular donations to Queens’ in acknowledgement of the great times he had as a student. His ashes are to be scattered in his beloved Lake District, hopefully with appropriate musical accompaniment.

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Hastings and District Law Society, serving as Secretary for 25 years and then President. He assisted with the Citizen’s Advice Bureau and was clerk to various local charities. He qualified as a Notary Public and was President of The Council of Notaries. Church matters were never far from his mind. He had strong views whilst never doubting his Christian faith. This led him latterly into the realms of Ecclesiastical Law, not a subject he had studied at Queens’. He became a keen runner and took part in the London Marathon. He was a Freemason and a Member of the Worshipful Company of Scriveners. Reflecting his love of tradition, of the Law and of the written word, he wrote Square Toes and Formal, a history of his firm of solicitors. In retirement, he took a degree at the University of Brighton. He leaves his wife, Julie, and two sons.

Sir R. O. Plender, LLM, LLJ, JSD, PhD, QC, FBA (1964) aged 74. Richard Plender came up to Queens’ from Dulwich College and read Law. Whilst at Queens’ he was a Member of the Boat Club and a keen attender at the Cambridge Union. He stayed on at Queens’ for a fourth year to complete the LLB (LLM). He continued his studies at the University of Sheffield (completing a PhD in 1973) and the University of Illinois where he graduated with an LLM and as a Doctor of Juridical Science (JSD) in 1972. In 1993 he was awarded a Doctorate of Law (LLD) by the University of Cambridge. He was called to the Bar at the Inner Temple in 1972 and practised at the Bar from 1974 until 2008. He took silk in 1989 and became a Bencher of the Inner Temple in 1996. He served as a Recorder 1998–2008. In parallel with his work as a barrister he was a Consultant for the UN Law and Population Programme 1972–74, Legal Adviser to the UN High Commissioner for Refugees 1974–78, and Legal Secretary for the Court of Justice of the European Communities 1980–83. He was also an active academic as a Director of Studies, Director of Research and Lecturer at The Hague Academy of International Law and Director of the Centre of European Law at King’s College, London. He was also a Visiting or Associate Professor at the University of Paris II and City University. From 1988 until 2008 he acted as a Special Legal Advisor to the States of Jersey. He was a specialist in Migration Law, the Law of the European Communities, the European Courts and their practices, procedure and precedents, and the European Contracts Convention, publishing or editing or contributing to a number of books on these and other legal matters. In 2008 he was appointed as a Judge of the High Court of Justice, Queen’s Bench Division, but had to retire in 2010. He continued with some academic work as Professor of Economic and Commercial Law at the University of Groningen in the Netherlands and was a Visiting Professor there from 2014. He was knighted in 2008 and became a Fellow of the British Academy in 2013. He loved classical music, particularly sacred choral music and relaxed by writing light verse. He was married with two daughters. He died after a decade of poor health. His grandfather, the Revd Clarence Ward (1891), was also at Queens’.

A. M. Sparrow, PGCE (1964) aged 77. Michael Sparrow graduated from King’s College, London, before coming to Queens’ in 1964 to study for a Certificate of Education. On leaving Queens’ he became a Physics Master at Eton for five years, then, in 1970, joined the Instructor Branch of the Royal Navy, spending most of the next five years as a Meteorological Officer with the Fleet Air Arm. In 1976 he transferred to the Royal Army Education Corps and spent three years at the Higher Education Centre in Mulheim, Germany, where he met and married his wife, Penny. He returned to the UK in 1979 and continued to serve as a Teacher/Trainer in the Army until 1986. On retiring from the Army, he returned to his first love of antiques, buying and selling at antique fairs, and also travelling the world with his wife.

D. Welch (1964) aged 74. David Welch was born in Brampton, Chesterfield, Derbyshire and attended Chesterfield Grammar School. He came up to Queens’ in 1964 to read Natural Sciences, specialising for Part II in Physics. After a PGCE he became a physics teacher at Liverpool College and taught there (and helped run the chess club) until his early retirement on the grounds of ill health in 2000. A keen chess player when at school and at College (where he was also a student librarian and coxed), he joined Liverpool Chess Club in 1968. He eventually became President of the Club and organised the Liverpool Chess Congress. He became involved in organising and arbiting at British Championships in 1981, later taking on the role of Chief Arbiter of the British Chess Federation and director/manager of congress chess. He was awarded the FIDE International Arbiter title in 1977 and the FIDE International Organiser title in 2007. He was for several years Chief Arbiter of the British Chess Congresses and also of the Gibraltar and Isle of Man Tournaments. He attended the Chess Olympiad in Azerbaijan. He was equally at home presiding over matches involving Grandmasters as over matches at small local tournaments. He has been described by Nigel Short as, “A great servant of British Chess” and he did a great deal to promote the game and to encourage young players. He was known for his love of beer and liked nothing better than to retire to a local pub with his fellow players and arbiters after a tournament, whether at home or abroad. He also enjoyed foreign travel and was renowned for his sense of humour and whimsical personality. He had a severe stroke in 2017 in Gibraltar at a chess tournament and lived thereafter in a care home in Liverpool until his death.

Professor G. K. Das, PhD (1966) aged 86. Gour Das came from Athagarh in the Cuttack district, Odisha, India, and took his first degree at Ravenshaw College (now Ravenshaw University), Cuttack. He came to Queens’ in 1966 to study for a PhD in the Department of English. He was a specialist on the novelist Edward Morgan Forster. On completion of his doctorate in 1970, he returned to India and took up a post at the English Department of the University of Delhi. In due course he became Director of the South Campus of the University, Professor of English and Dean of Arts and Humanities. His 45 year career there was interrupted only by a secondment to help out the English Department at the University of Kashmir in Srinagar and a three year stint as Vice-Chancellor of Utkal University, Orissa, between 1995 and 1998. His
M. J. Roche, DVM (1967) aged 70. Martin Roche was a Yorkshireman through and through, born in Morley and educated at Queen Elizabeth Grammar School, Wakefield. He came to Queens’ to read Veterinary Medicine and, after the Medical Sciences Tripos, studied Agricultural Sciences for Part II. At College, though not a natural sportsman, he played for the Second XI at football and also played the bassoon in the MagSoc Orchestra. During his first year his family emigrated to Colac in Victoria, Australia, where his father, Dr James Roche (Queens’ 1939) had obtained a post as an ophthalmic surgeon. Martin was left behind to live with relatives in England. He spent much time and effort trying to persuade the Melbourne Veterinary School to take him as a transfer student and, at the beginning of the second year of his clinical course at Cambridge, they suddenly agreed. He had only a few days to pack up, say his goodbyes and travel to re-join his family in Australia. He duly qualified as a vet from Melbourne University and went into private practice first in the Melbourne Western suburbs but then for many years in a one-man country practice at Colac. In 1997 he joined the Victoria Department of Primary Industries as a District Veterinary Officer. In 2009 he had to travel the area in the aftermath of the catastrophic ‘Black Saturday’ bush fires to dispatch any badly injured animals and to inspect and count the charred remains of cattle and sheep to help assess the losses of the local farmers, a chore he found very distressing. He eventually retired and volunteered as maintenance manager at the local hospice.

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He was a very enthusiastic sports fan, watching every grand prix and assiduously following cricket, rugby union, Leeds United Football Club and the Western Bulldogs Aussie Rules Football Club. Whilst he loved his adopted country, he always rooted for England in sports against Australia. From childhood holidays mucking about in boats, he was a keen yachtman and a member of Colac Yacht Club for decades. Perhaps his greatest love was music. He continued to play the bassoon at a high level and became a key member of the Warrnambool, Geelong and Ballarat Orchestras. He also enjoyed walking his dogs in the bush, maintaining his sailing dinghy, accompanying his partner Robyn (whom he met relatively late in life but was able to introduce to his Queens’ friends on visits back to England) on camping holidays, photography and entertaining his blind sister. Something of a technophobe he continued to correspond with friends in England using the old-fashioned flimsy aerogram letters – even when email had long been available. He has been described as idiosyncratic, single-minded, conservative and quirky, but caring and generous, and he was much loved.

As well as his father, his grandfather Alfred Roche came to Queens’ in 1894 and a cousin John Roche Thompson in 1950.

Dr S. E. Eldridge, MMath, PhD (1968) aged 70. Stephen Eldridge was born in Salisbury, the son of a policeman. Initially the family lived in a small cottage without mods cons in the New Forest before moving to Devizes. Stephen attended Devizes Grammar School and won an entrance scholarship to Queens’ to read Mathematics. At College he played the piano and was a member of the Christian Union. After a double First and Part III he stayed at Cambridge to study for a PhD in the Pure Mathematics and Mathematical Statistics Department. Though continuing academic work interested him, he decided to become a schoolmaster, teaching initially in Bristol and then from 1977 at Stockport Grammar School in Cheshire. There he took pupils on walks, especially in the Peak District, played squash and supported the Christian Focus Group. He is remembered as a thoughtful, supportive, knowledgeable and caring member of staff. In the mid-1980s he decided to change career and obtained funding for an MSc conversion course in computation at the University of Manchester Institute of Technology (UMIST). He was then appointed to a post at the University of Hull before returning to UMIST as a Lecturer in the Computation Department (later the School of Informatics). As well as teaching and supporting students, he was part of a collaboration that developed methods for performing the arithmetic that is used for secure communication in bank cards, mobile phones and laptops. On a walking holiday in Austria in 1986 he met his future wife, Sue. They were married six months later and set up home in Offerton, then later in Hazel Grove. They had one daughter, Katy, who has become a mathematician like her father. There were many family walking holidays, both at home and abroad. When UMIST and Manchester University merged, Stephen was offered, and in 2007 took, early retirement. He resumed playing the piano, collected classical music CDs, attended concerts and the theatre, watched sport, walked extensively and travelled abroad on walking tours. He could be poor at communication, but he was always interesting to talk to, kind and supportive.

The Revd Dr D. L. Harper, PhD (1970) aged 68. David was brought up in Colwyn Bay in North Wales. He came to Queens’ from Colwyn High School with an entrance exhibition to read Mathematics. After a double First and Part III, he embarked on a PhD in Number Theory in the Department of Pure Mathematics & Mathematical Statistics. He was a staunch member of the Christian Union and, though brought up a Methodist, he attended St Paul’s
FELLOWSHIPS

The John Eatwell Fellowship – an endowed College Teaching Officer position, donated through the generosity of more than 210 members and friends of Queens’, to provide a teaching Fellowship without a subject bias and therefore adaptable to the needs of the College.

The Robin Walker Fellowship – a Fellowship in Computer Science, endowed by Fellows, alumni and friends of the College, to support Computer Science at Queens’, in honour of Dr Walker’s long service and dedication to Queens’.

BURSARIES

The Griffin Sports Bursary – to support a Queens’ student requiring financial help to pursue high-level sport. Donated by Dr Elaine Griffin (1983), who, during her time at Queens’, was Captain of the University Gymnastics team and received a Half-Blue.

The Henry Bullock Scholarship – for a graduate student to pursue an MPhil in Classics at Queens’. Donated by a parent of a former Classics undergraduate in appreciation of everything the College and Dr Butterfield did for the student during their time at Queens’.

The Richard Hargreaves Sports Bursary – a second endowed bursary to support a Queens’ student or students requiring financial help to pursue high-level sport with the University or other representative team.

PRIZES

The Grant Prize in Biochemistry – for academic distinction in Biological Natural Sciences. Given by Mrs Dragana Grant (1993) and Mr David Grant.

The James Diggle Prize in Classics – for outstanding achievement in Classics. Donated by Brian Buckley, to honour Professor James Diggle and his 50+ years of service to the College as Praelector and Director of Studies in Classics.

The Silvia Breu Prize – recognizing exceptional teaching in Computer Science. The prize was founded in 2020 in memory of the late Dr Silvia Breu (1976-2018), who was a Queens’ Teaching Associate.

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Church of England church in Cambridge and was married there (his wife, Dr Jane Harper, has a doctorate in Virology) shortly before the end of his student career. He had decided by the time he graduated PhD that he had a vocation for the priesthood of the Church of England. He attended Wycliffe College, Oxford, reading for a Theology degree at Oxford University, and was ordained deacon in 1980 and priest in 1981 to serve in the Diocese of Southwell. After curacies at St Peter and St Paul, Mansfield and St Leonard, Wollaton, he became Vicar of Brinsley with Underwood in 1987. He moved to be Rector of Bingham, Nottingham, in 1994 and served as an Area Dean. Diagnosed with cancer, he had to retire early on the grounds of ill health but fought the disease with great bravery for several years, undergoing two stem cell transplants and being admitted to Nottingham City Hospital on multiple occasions. He was able to take some services in Keyworth after retiring there. His daughter Ruth works for a multi-national computer games company in Newcastle.

Miss S. R. Jones, MPhil (2017) aged 23. Saskia Jones came from Stratford-on-Avon and went to Bloxham School. She was a graduate in Criminology of Anglia Ruskin University and came to Queens’ in 2017 to study for an MPhil in Criminology. She was a keen sportswoman, athlete and powerlifter and she had a qualification as a personal trainer. She has been described as generous, caring and always fun to be with and had applied to join the police force. She had a passionate belief in providing opportunities for the rehabilitation of criminals and for providing support to victims of criminal injustice. On 29 November 2019, as a Volunteer in the ‘Learning Together’ programme (which focusses on the rehabilitation of prisoners), she was at an event hosted by the Cambridge University Department of Criminology to mark the fifth anniversary of the programme at the Fishmonger’s Hall in London. One of the participants, a convicted terrorist who had been released from prison, attacked her and several others with a knife and she was fatally stabbed. The assailant was chased out onto London Bridge and apprehended, where it was seen that he was wearing what appeared to be a suicide vest, so police shot him dead. The College extends its deepest sympathies to Saskia’s family and friends.
OTHER

The Rokos Post-Doctoral Research Associates Programme – providing endowed support to our Post-Doctoral Research Associate scheme.

The Nelson Blues Fund – an endowed fund to cover the cost for Queens’ students purchasing Blues and other colours to which they are entitled as a result of representing the University in sporting endeavours. Named after the principal donor, Dr Mark Nelson (1983).

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