



CHRIST'S HOSPITAL OLD BLUES' ASSOCIATION

Welcome to the CHOBA August E-Mail Newsletter for 2010

EVENTS

Due to the large number of activities in the calendar, we will only publicise events in the current month, the following month and additionally any new events notified to the office. For a full list of all events in 2010 please refer to:

<http://www.chassociation.org/events/index.php>

If you have not received any information about any of the events below, and you feel you should have or you would like to receive information from this section in the future, please contact the CHOBA office directly and we will amend your record accordingly.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR 2010			
Date	Section	Venue	Contact Details
Monday 2nd August	West Sussex Old Blues	The Royal Oak on the A286 just south of Midhurst - postcode GU29 0EP	Please contact the Secretary Sue Howell Evans on 07791 241409 or by email at she1549@yahoo.co.uk if you would like more information
Tuesday 3rd August	Shropshire and Welsh Borders Old Blues	The Coach and Horses, Swan Hill, Shrewsbury, SY1 1NF	Please contact the Secretary Peter Simmonds - 01743 246508 for further information.
Wednesday 4th August	East Sussex Old Blues	The Cock Inn, beside the A26 between Lewes and	If you would like more information please contact the Secretary, Sarah O'Reilly on 01825 840727 or email at: sw1303@hotmail.com .

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Wednesday 18th August	Severn and Avon Old Blues	The Five Mile House, 5 miles North of Cirencester on the A 417	Meeting at 12.00 for 12.30 for lunch. For further details please contact Peter Wornell on 01225 703517
Thursday 19th August	East Surrey Old Blues	The Bell, Outwood, Nr Bletchingley	Please contact Paul Winterflood for further details. Tel: 01883 65 3017,or woolhams@btinternet.com
Tuesday 31st August	Old Blues Golfing Society	Milford	Please contact the Secretary, Rosemary Adkins at Rosemary.Adkins@btinternet.com for further details. Tel: 01825 765327
Saturday 16th October	Founder's Day Dinner	CH, Horsham	Please contact the Hon Sec to the Stewards of Founder's Day, Roger Eades on rogereades@02.co.uk or CHOBA, Counting House, Horsham RH13 0YP
Wednesday 1st September	East Sussex Old Blues	The Cock Inn, beside the A26 between Lewes and Uckfield	If you would like more information please contact the Secretary, Sarah O'Reilly on 01825 840727or email at: sw1303@hotmail.com.
Monday 6th September	West Sussex Old Blues	The Royal Oak on the A286 just south of Midhurst - postcode GU29 0EP	Please contact the Secretary Sue Howell Evans on 07791 241409 or by email at she1549@yahoo.co.uk if you would like more information
Tuesday 7th September	Shropshire and Welsh Borders Old Blues	The Coach and Horses, Swan Hill, Shrewsbury, SY1 1NF	Please contact the Secretary Peter Simmonds - 01743 246508 for further information.
Wednesday	Masonic	Freemasons' Hall,	All Old Blue masons are welcome at the

8th September	Chapter	Holborn, London	meeting and any Old Blue wanting to join please contact Michael Beare 01462 456050 mdb@listerbeare.co.uk
Tuesday 14th September	Herts, Beds and Bucks Old Blues Luncheon	Brookmans Park Golf Club, AL9 7AT	Please contact the Secretary, Jim Nelhams for further details. Tel: 0208 449 7076, hbob@chassociation.org
Tuesday 14th September	Old Blues Golfing Society	Old Thorns, Liphook	Please contact the Secretary, Rosemary Adkins at Rosemary.Adkins@btinternet.com for further details. Tel: 01825 765327
Thursday 16th September	East Surrey Old Blues	The Bell, Outwood, Nr Bletchingley	Please contact Paul Winterflood for further details. Tel: 01883 65 3017, or woolhams@btinternet.com
Thursday 23rd September	Masonic Rose Croix	10 Duke Street, St James, London	All Old Blue masons are welcome at the meeting and any Old Blue wanting to join please contact David Spackman 01189 781613 david-wendy@spackman.go-plus.net
Saturday 25th September	Old Blues in Finland	Turku, Finland	We hope to get Old Blues together from all over Finland to celebrate St Matthew's Day - venue and details to be confirmed. For further details please contact Maria Vatanen (née Grogan). Email: FinlandOldBlues@googlemail.com Tel: +358 (0)40 353 7009
Saturday 25th September	Old Blues Rugby Football Club Reunion	Motspur Park	KO will be 3.00 p.m, lunch from 1.00 with a charge to cover costs. For more details contact Bryan Hall at bcmhall@yahoo.co.uk
Friday 8th October 2010.	Newbury Old Blues Association - Annual	Newbury Rugby Club.	For further details, please contact Mary Davenport on 01488 668287 or mary_davenport@hotmail.com . All Old Blues, parents and friends are welcome

	Founder's Day Dinner		
Friday 8th – Sunday 10th October	Western Australian Old Blues - Founder's Day Gathering	Manjimup in the Southern Forests area about 300 km South of Perth	The Western Australian Old Blues are planning their annual Founder's Day celebrations on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th October 2010 with Founders Day dinner plus overnight accommodation at Wilgarup Lodge B&B on Saturday 9th. For those who can spare the extra time, come a day earlier and stay overnight on Friday 8th, followed the next morning by a 4 hour, 4 wheel drive tour to the South Coast via the Yeagerup dunes provided by a local tour company. For full details email Diana and Jeremy Lea, on mitsi@westnet.com.au; or Sam Williams, on sambeth@bigpond.net.au. All Old Blues and their spouses/partners are most welcome. Please book early to avoid disappointment.
Tuesday 14th December	CHOPA Carol Concert	St Andrews Church, Holborn	Further details to follow

Copies of recent CHOPA newsletters are now available on our website in the news section <http://www.chassociation.org/news/index.php>. Back copies can be found in the news archive section.

THE BLUE MAGAZINE – Advertising Opportunities

As previously communicated, an agreement has been reached whereby the annual edition of The Blue, due for publication in December 2010, will include additional information about CHOPA, its members and their activities. This publication will also be distributed free of charge to all CHOPA members. Distribution will therefore increase from c.1000 copies to c.8000 copies with a wide ranging demographic. The magazine will also be available to view online. CHOPA is currently working with the School to offer a number of corporate advertising opportunities in The Blue. If anyone would like more information, please contact Margaret Wadman on 01403 247665 or email at administrator@chassociation.org

VENUES IN LONDON

If there are any Old Blues who have links or could suggest any venues suitable for holding reunions and other Old Blue gatherings in London, I would be very happy to hear from you at administrator@chassociation.org.

RE-LAUNCH OF THE CHOBA CAREERS NETWORK IN THE AUTUMN

Following several meetings recently and working closely with Old Blue Neville Osmond we are happy to announce that the Careers Network will be re-launched in the autumn.

The CHOBA Careers Network will exist to enable Old Blues to support each other in whatever career they choose to pursue in life. This may be through work experience, a short-term placement, interview advice, career change advice, or directly with job opportunities.

We are very grateful to those Old Blues who have already made over 650 offers covering over 80 industry sectors. We are always looking for new offers so if you can assist us with your valuable professional experience, please contact me at administrator@chassociation.org with details of the sort of help and support you can give.

We shall be reporting our progress in future issues.

FACEBOOK PAGE

Please find a link to our new Facebook page which will be updated with events information and photos.

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Horsham/Christ's-Hospital-Old-Blues-Association/134264489946276?ref=ts&a=15&>

THOSE OLD BLUES WHO ARE SADLY NO LONGER WITH US

Mr Christopher Bennett (MdB 1944-1952), died on June 15th 2010, aged 76.

Mr Leslie "Lou" Stone (CoLA 1935 – 1945) died 11th July 2010, aged 83

Mr Christopher J Whittaker (CoLB 1938 – 1946) died on 15th July 2010, aged 81

OLD BLUE NEWS

MCC Day at CH – Wednesday 30th June

The MCC plays against some 280 schools over the course of the summer. They have sent a side to Horsham since the inception of the idea after the First World War. Christ's Hospital always enjoys this fixture where the 1st XI has its annual chance to pit its cricketing skills against many fine club cricketers and budding professionals. The MCC was captained this year by Patrick Goodwin (Old Blue) who had many regulars in his side. This match was played against the backdrop of the re-opening of the 1st XI pavilion after refurbishment, which was kindly paid for by a wide range of Old Blues. The guests were treated to a fine lunch in the Court Room in the lunch interval where they had the opportunity to meet the players from both sides. Tea was taken by the pavilion during the afternoon's play. Dennis Silk, (Old Blue) and former Chairman of the Test and County Cricket Board and former President of the MCC, gave a very moving speech in front of the assembled throng about his happy memories of learning his cricket on Big Side under the tutelage of former Warwickshire professional, Len Bates, who served as Head Coach and Head Groundsman between 1936 and 1963. A bust of Len Bates, created by local sculptress, Hannah Stewart, was unveiled in the presence of his son, John Bates, and the rededication ceremony was completed in a very happy atmosphere. The match itself proved to be a very thrilling one. The MCC took lunch at 106-4. They fought back strongly after the fall of two more wickets after lunch before declaring at 224-7 with Wisborough Green's, James Sadler making 41. The school was in trouble with three of its best batsmen back in the pavilion at 17-3, but three consecutive 50+ partnerships pulled the game round. Captain Alex Marsh, made 32 before being bowled by Horsham CC's Luke Marshall. Wicketkeeper, Calvin Williams chipped in with 29, but the two feature innings were played by Sussex under-16, Stuart Whittingham (70), who plays for Roffey, and Angus Doyne-Ditmas (42 not out). The Christ's Hospital XI passed the MCC's total with 7 wickets down with just three balls remaining. It was only the school's second victory over the MCC in the last 40 years. In many ways it was a fitting end to a memorable day.

St Andrews Open Golf Championship – Graduation Ceremony

Emily Griffiths, (BaB, GrW 2005 - 2007) gave the laureation address for Tom Watson, US golfer, at the graduation ceremony before the start of The Open Championship. Emily is Captain of Ladies Golf at St Andrew's University this year - she has been responsible for writing the address.

Photographs and further information available at St Andrew's University website <http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk>

Theatrical Old Blues

Jeffrey Mayhew, the outgoing CH Director of Drama, is taking *Bright is the Ring of Words* to Edinburgh this summer. It is a very "Blue" show written by him (after 13 years at CH), acted by him with John Garfield-Roberts (4 years as CH staff) and directed by one of our major achievers in the arts – writer and director OB Julian Garner (BaA 1967 – 1975). Jeffrey and Julian have worked together before – Julian's *The Kingdom of Children* was premiered at CH and CH took his *The Bear Table* to Chichester and the National Theatre.

"For ageing John McClachlan (Jeffrey Mayhew) sex, drugs and rock and roll meant sex, booze and world class opera – a deadly combination. Having massively over-indulged in the first two, he has bombed out of the third and we find him, washed up and fading fast, in a Blackpool bedsit. His only

companion is young would-be stand-up comedian Stanley (John Garfield-Roberts), desperate to succeed, who has come to John thanks to a community service order following a racist attack. Sparks fly as the hurt and confused wannabe tries to deal with the petulant brilliance of the has-been.”

They are playing at the Pleasance – Courtyard, Edinburgh from the 4th to the 30th August inclusive at 3.25pm. Running time 1h10m. Tickets can be booked online at: <http://www.pleasance.co.uk/edinburgh/events>

CHRIST'S HOSPITAL SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS EVENTS - Michaelmas Term 2010 diary dates

Fri 17th Sept 8pm! -The Organists Entertain - *A chance to hear the magnificent organ in the Chapel*

Tue 28th Sept 12:30pm – Food & Drink Festival - *A special lunchtime concert whilst enjoying a 2 course lunch*

Fri 8th Oct 8pm – Baroque - *Music from the Baroque era performed on period instruments*

Fri 8th, Sat 9th Oct 7.30pm – Bard Fest - *A fabulous evening of Shakespeare in the round.*

Sun 7th Nov 2.30pm – School Concert - *A showcase of the huge diversity of ensemble work*

Sat 13th Nov 7.30pm – Choral Society Concert - *A varied programme of music at St. Mary's Church, Horsham*

Thurs 2nd, Fri 3rd, Sat 4th Dec – The Crucible - *Arthur Miller's allegorical tale of retribution & greed.*

Sun 5th Dec – Charity Concert - *A concert produced, directed & presented by senior students with all proceeds going towards the 25th Anniversary of St Catherine's Hospice appeal.*

Thurs 9th Dec – Big Band Concert - *A very popular evening spanning the decades of jazz & big band music*

Thurs 16th Dec – Choral Society Christmas Concert - *Seasonal Christmas music in the glorious acoustic of the Chapel*

For tickets, pricing or information please call the Box Office on:01403 247434, Mon–Fri 9.30am - 12pm Term Time Only
Or Email: boxoffice@christs-hospital.org.uk. All tickets on sale from 6th September

OLD BLUE SECTIONS

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FRIENDS OF CH – US

Please follow the link below to the latest Annual Report

<http://www.chassociation.org/sections/overseas/FCH/FINAL2-CH-Report2009.pdf>

OLD BLUES GOLFING SOCIETY

The Old Blues Golfing Society welcomes golfers of all abilities. No one should consider themselves excluded because of the quality of their golf; anyone wishing to come along should contact the Hon. Secretary, Rosemary Adkins. (rosemary.adkins@btinternet.com - or phone 01825 765327)

There are some OB golfers, unable to play with the Society because they are too busy, live too far away, or have aching hips. These can become **Supporting Members** of the Society. For just £25, supporters get the distinctive, high quality silk OBGS tie (Blue stripes with the letters OBGS interspaced between, and five years news on what is happening to the Society.) Just send a cheque to Rosemary!

President: David Spackman

Captain for 2010: Mervyn Yewe-Dyer

Rosemary Adkins (Hon. Sec.)

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Autumn Masters' Match - Tuesday 31st August 2010

We are booked for Tuesday, 31st August at Milford Golf Club, Station Lane, Milford, Nr Godalming, Surrey, GU8 5HS. We will meet at 09.30 for coffee and bacon roll, Tee off at 10.36 and end with a two-course lunch and Coffee at about 4.15pm. The cost will be £40.00. Under 28s £20, Students £10, Buggies are £23.

Milford is an 18 hole, par 69 parkland course measuring 6,000 yards. It opened in 1993. The layout has been carefully designed by Peter Allis and Clive Clark to provide a challenge for golfers of all standards

The course is easily reached from the A3 and M25 and is close to the borders of West Sussex and Hampshire.

Autumn Meeting - Tuesday 14th September 2010

The Autumn Meeting is booked for Tuesday, September 14th at Old Thorns Manor Hotel, Golf and Country Estate, Griggs Green, Liphook, Hampshire, GU30 7PE. It is just off the A3 London to Portsmouth route. Exit at the Griggs Green exit - signposted from both north and south of the A3.

Situated in a 400 acre estate on the Hampshire / Surrey border, Old Thorns is in ideal golfing country. Designers, Dave Thomas and Peter Alliss, have laid out a Championship standard course, which affords low handicappers a real challenge while still being sympathetic to less proficient players. The elevated positions of many of the holes offer spectacular views across the glorious Hampshire countryside. The course is studded with mature trees and water comes into play on some holes.

We will be playing 9 holes in the morning and 18 holes in the afternoon competing for the Ross Gooby Trophy. The cost is £70.00, which includes coffee & bacon roll, 27 holes of golf, light lunch and an evening meal. Omitting the morning 9 holes, the cost will be £58. Under 28s - £35, Students - £18, Evening meal only - £17.00. Buggies are £30 for 18 holes!!

Coffee & Bacon Baps on arrival from 07.45

Tee off from 08.28 (9 holes)

Light lunch from 11 .00

Tee off from 12.04 (18 holes)

6pm Dinner (2 Course Meal)

Wives and Husbands - If you wish to bring your wife/ husband/partner with you for all or part of one of our days it can be arranged. They will be unable to compete for the trophy but would be able to play and/or join us for the meal(s).

OLD BLUES RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Here are the diary dates for the OBRFC Reunion events at Motspur Park . Currently there are two dates - 25th September and 19th February 2011. On 25th September the club has three matches; 1st v Croydon, 2nd v Camberley and 3rd's v Old Midwives and we can expect a sunny afternoon with some great running rugby. For further information please email Bryan Hall at bcmhall@yahoo.co.uk KO will be 3.00 p.m. lunch from 1.00 with a charge to cover costs.

NEWBURY OLD BLUES ASSOCIATION

The Annual Founder's Day dinner will be held on Friday 8th October 2010 at Newbury Rugby Club. For further details, please contact Mary Davenport on 01488 668287 or email: mary_davenport@hotmail.com. All Old Blues, parents and friends are welcome.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN OLD BLUES - FOUNDER'S DAY GATHERING 2010

We are pleased to advise that Western Australian Old Blues are planning their annual Founder's Day celebrations at Manjimup in the Southern Forests area about 300 km South of Perth, on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th October 2010 with Founders Day dinner plus overnight accommodation at Wilgarup Lodge B&B on Saturday 9th. For those who can spare the extra time, come a day earlier and stay overnight on Friday 8th followed the next morning by a 4 hour, 4 wheel drive tour to the South Coast via the Yeagerup dunes provided by a local tour company. For full details email Diana and Jeremy Lea, on mitsi@westnet.com.au; or Sam Williams, on sambeth@bigpond.net.au. All Old Blues and their spouses/partners are most welcome. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

NEW ZEALAND OLD BLUES

We are pleased to announce that we have new Secretary for the New Zealand Old Blues Section: Julia Mills (nee Stones) 4's 1966 - 1973 coordinating future events in the above locations. Julia can be contacted by email at: juliastones@hotmail.com

THORNTON / WARD 9 ASSOCIATION

Thornton / Ward 9 will be reforming in the autumn with Nick Angel (ThA 1981 – 1988) as its new Section Secretary; we are currently looking for a venue either at CH, Horsham or in London. Please could all those interested in meeting up again contact me with their preferred location at administrator@chassociation.org. I look forward to hearing from you all.

VOLUNTEERS PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE

We are looking for a number of Section Secretaries in various parts of the UK and abroad. If you could consider taking on this valuable role or sharing the work with another Old Blue then please contact me at administrator@chassociation.org. I would be very happy to discuss with you any ideas or queries you might have and put you in touch with some other Old Blues who are already running a section. This is a wonderful way to give back your expertise to CH.

UK

Cleveland, Cumberland

Derbyshire, Durham

Essex

Greater Manchester

Hampshire

London, Lancashire, Lincolnshire

Middlesex

Norfolk, Northamptonshire, Northumberland, Nottinghamshire

Staffordshire, Suffolk

Tyne and Wear

Wales, Westmoreland,

Overseas

Ireland

Lithuania

Switzerland

I look forward to hearing from you all – do not be shy!

SCHOOL TOPICS

ADMISSION OPEN DAYS

Old Blue families considering educational opportunities for their child/children are warmly welcome to visit Christ's Hospital on our Open Days: Saturday, 18th September 2010 (for entry into Years 7 and 9) and Saturday, 2nd October (for Sixth Form) You can ring to reserve your place on 01403 211293 or book on-line www.christs-hospital.org.uk

ATHLETICS SUCCESSES

Even after the School finished for the summer holidays, Christ's Hospital's 100m hurdler Nick Ofonagoro continued his successful season with a win at the Home Countries Under 17 International in Glasgow on Saturday, 17th July where he represented English Schools. Nick's time of 13.25s was just three hundredths of a second off his personal best, which he clocked the previous week running for Sussex at the English Schools' Track & Field Championships in Birmingham. Also representing Sussex in Birmingham in the inter boys competition was Christ's Hospital's Saoirse Chinery-Edoo who reached the Discus final with an exceptional throw of 43.10m to achieve national standard distance.

GRECIANS BALL

The Grecians Ball on Friday, 2nd July had an 'Alice in Wonderland' theme, with trumpet-playing white rabbits, servers wearing giant playing cards and the Queen of Hearts, Mad Hatter and March Hare in evidence. The Ball began with a reception in the Head Master's garden where, in keeping with the theme, drinks were served in ill-matched crockery with jam tarts given out to all. A dinner dance with a Mad Hatter's Tea Party followed with dancing to a live band that included Old Blue musicians.

The Ball traditionally takes place on the last night of the academic year and is organised by the Grecians themselves with the help of two staff, Ian Stannard and Amanda Walsh. A pupil Committee works for six months before the Ball to manage preparations and harness creative skills in making props to bring the theme to life.

For more School news, pictures and slide-shows, visit our website www.christs-hospital.org.uk

Margaret Wadman
CHOBA Administrator

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