



CHRIST'S HOSPITAL OLD BLUES' ASSOCIATION

Welcome to the CHOBA December 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 2010/11 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 2010/11			
Date	Section	Venue	Contact Details
Monday 29th November to Thursday 9th December	Exhibition of photographs by Tony Ray-Jones	CH, First Floor, Art Department Gallery	The exhibition will be open by <u>appointment only</u> . A private viewing will be held on Friday 26 th November 4-6pm, followed by a discussion of Tony Ray-Jones' work and life at 6.15pm. If you would like to attend the private view and discussion, or the exhibition on viewing days, please contact Lisa Williams on 07973 143170 or lisasamos@yahoo.com .
Private Viewing Friday 26 th November 4-6pm			

Wednesday 1st December	East Sussex Old Blues	The Cock Inn, beside the A26 between Lewes and Uckfield	Meet at 12:30. If you would like more information please contact the Secretary, Sarah O'Reilly on 01825 840727 or email at: sw1303@hotmail.com .
Wednesday 1st December	West Surrey Old Blues	The Anchor, High Street, Ripley GU23 6AE at 1pm	Please contact the Secretary John Swayne on 01483 453703 or by email at swayne_1@btinternet.com if you would like more information
Friday 3rd December	Newbury Old Blues Annual Dinner	Newbury Rugby Club	The Newbury Old Blues Annual Dinner due to take place in October had to be postponed and will now take place on the 3rd December at Newbury Rugby Club. For more information, please contact Mary Davenport 01488 668287 or mary_davenport@hotmail.com .
Saturday 4th December	Herts, Beds and Bucks Old Blues Luncheon	<u>Please note the change of location back to to:</u> "The Boot" Public House, Sarratt, WD6 3BL	Please contact the Secretary, Jim Nelhams for further details. Tel: 0208 449 7076, hbob@chassociation.org
Monday 6th December	West Sussex Christmas Lunch	To be held at the Labouring Man at Coldwaltham RH20 1LF Meet at noon, cost £21.95. Details and booking instructions to follow shortly by post/email	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 December	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.
Tuesday 14th December	CHOBAs Carol Concert	St Andrews Church, Holborn	Tickets now on sales. Please call Margaret Wadman at the CHOBAs office on 01403 247665 or via the website http://www.chassociation.org/shop/
Wednesday 5th January	Shropshire and Welsh Borders Old Blues	The Coach and Horses, Swan Hill, Shrewsbury, SY1 1NF <u>Please note this is a Wednesday meeting for January only</u>	Please contact the Secretary Peter Simmonds - 01743 246508 for further information.
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Thursday 20th January	East Surrey Old Blues	The Bell, Outwood, Nr Bletchingley	Please contact Paul Winterflood for further details. Tel: 01883 65 3017, or woolhams@btinternet.com
Wednesday	Masonic Lodge	Bakers Hall,	All Old Blue masons are welcome at the

26th January 2011		London	meeting and any Old Blue wanting to join please contact Michael Pitcher 01844 346687 mike@pamuk.demon.co.uk
Saturday 29th January	Oxfordshire Old Blues - Evensong and Supper	Christ Church Cathedral followed by Supper	Please contact the Secretary John Evans for further details. 27 Clevelands, Abingdon, OX14 2EQ; Tel: 01235-525059; jhevans@sky.com .
Tuesday 1st February	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 2nd February	West Surrey Old Blues	The Anchor, High Street, Ripley GU23 6AE at 1pm	Please contact the Secretary John Swayne on 01483 453703 or by email at swayne_1@btinternet.com if you would like more information
Wednesday 2nd February	East Sussex Old Blues	The Cock Inn, beside the A26 between Lewes and Uckfield	Meet at 12:30. If you would like more information please contact the Secretary, Sarah O'Reilly on 01825 840727 or email at: sw1303@hotmail.com .
Thursday 17th February	East Surrey Old Blues	The Bell, Outwood, Nr Bletchingley	Please contact Paul Winterflood for further details. Tel: 01883 65 3017, or woolhams@btinternet.com
Saturday 19th February	Old Blues Rugby Football Club Reunion	Motspur Park	For more details contact Bryan Hall at bcmhall@yahoo.co.uk
Wednesday 23rd	Masonic Lodge	Bakers Hall, London	All Old Blue masons are welcome at the meeting and any Old Blue wanting to join

February 2011			please contact Michael Pitcher 01844 346687 mike@pamuk.demon.co.uk
Friday 4th March	Surrey and Hampshire Border Old Blues Annual Dinner	Venue tbc	Please contact the Secretary, Michael Jefferies, for further details. Tel:01252 850215
Wednesday 9th March	Kent Old Blues	White Rabbit, Sandling Road Maidstone ME14 2RF	Event: Informal lunch time meeting Details: 3rd Quarterly Meeting of KOBs For further details, please contact Richard Briggs on 01732 352590 or richard@misterbee.co.uk . All Old Blues are welcome
Saturday 30th April (day after the Royal Wedding)	Old Blues Day	CH, Horsham	Tickets for morning coffee, lunch and tea will be available from the middle of February via The CHOBA Online Shop , or alternatively contact Margaret in the CHOBA Office .
Saturday 7th May	20 Years On Reunion - leavers of 1990/91	CH, Horsham	Invitations to be sent out in March. Please call the office for further details.
Saturday 21st May	60 Years On Reunion – leavers of 1951/1950	CH, Horsham	Invitations to be sent out in March. Please call the office for further details.
Saturday 10th	30 Years On Reunion	CH, Horsham	Invitations to be sent out in July. Please call the office for further details.

September			
Saturday 8th October	50 Years On Reunion	CH, Horsham	Invitations to be sent out in August. Please call the office for further details.
Saturday 12th November	40 Years On Reunion	CH, Horsham	Invitations to be sent out in September. Please call the office for further details.

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.

An electronic copy of the recent Old Blue can also be found on our website shop to download free of charge at <http://www.chassociation.org/shop/>

SURVEY ON THE WAY!

Advance notice to let all Old Blue readers know that there is to be a major survey from Christ's Hospital which is due to be sent out around mid-January next year. The idea behind this is to help us to get our communications with you as up to date and as relevant as possible. Please do complete and return this – we'll even include a pre-paid envelope. There are some exciting initiatives currently being put together and we wouldn't want you to miss out!

REQUEST FOR OLD BLUES WITH SKILLS IN ADVERTISING, MEDIA, RECRUITMENT AND CAREERS

We would welcome any Old Blues with skills in the above areas to help to advise us with some projects in the New Year. Please contact the office to see how you might be able to help us. We would greatly value your assistance and advice.

REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEER PROOFREADERS

The Christ's Hospital Foundation is seeking a team of volunteers to help us in the effective production of high-quality publications and magazines by proofreading for errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar.

What should be checked?

Proofreaders should check the following depending on the request:

- spelling, punctuation and grammar
- consistency in use of capitals, names, common phrases or other elements of our house style
- consistency of design elements
- accuracy of data transferred from a source document to the finished file
- page, section and paragraph numbering
- indexing

What document formats do we need proofread?

As most documents are produced electronically, we would send documents to be proofread mainly from computer files in Microsoft Word. Receiving returned computer files by email enables us to respond to our deadlines in a fast and efficient manner.

We would request complete confidentiality when proofreading all materials supplied.

We value any assistance you may be able to give and look forward to hearing from you with any offer large or small.

Please contact Margaret Wadman for more information on 01403 – 247665 or administrator@chassociation.org

CHOPA CAROL CONCERT - Tuesday 14th December

The venue this year is: **Church of St. Andrew, Holborn. London EC4A 3AB.** <http://www.standrewholborn.org.uk/>

Come and join us for a festive concert; enjoy some great music performed by your fellow Old Blues with a glass of warming mulled wine and a mince pie.

Tickets are only £6.00 Adults, £3.00 Students under 16 years, Children under 12 years free. Order your tickets today – call the CHOPA Office or download an order form from the CHOPA website at: <http://www.chassociation.org/news/index.php>

If you want to volunteer to take part in the choir, simply email us at the CHOPA Office and we'll be delighted to add you to the list. The music is being conducted by Old Blue and current CH Director of Music, Adrian Bawtree, and rehearsals start at 4.00pm.

As well as music from the choir there will be festive readings given by various Old Blues, and plenty of chances to join in with the singing! It's a great way to round up a day of Christmas shopping in the city, or to brighten up those dark winter days on your way home from work.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Order your ticket today at: <http://www.chassociation.org/shop/>

CHRISTMAS CARDS ON SALE

The Christ's Hospital Old Blues' Association has produced a set of Horsham and Hertford themed Christmas Cards. There are five designs to choose from and each design comes in a pack of 10 cards. The designs you can choose from are:

- Hertford circa 1950
- Housey Snowmen
- The Avenue
- The Quad
- Winter Fun

These are on sale priced at £4.75 per pack of 10 (including postage – UK only). Should you wish to have these sent overseas please contact the office directly for postage costs. To order, please contact Margaret Wadman at the CHOBA office (01403 247665) or order and pay securely online at the CHOBA Shop: <http://www.chassociation.org/shop/>

OLD BLUES DAY 2011

The date has been confirmed for Old Blues Day 2011

Old Blues Day 2011 will take place on **Saturday 30th April** (the day after the Royal Wedding)

This will be a family-based day following on from the successes of previous years. The activities and events on the day will be confirmed nearer the time - there will be plenty to do, see and take part in, so **put the date in your diaries now**.

Tickets for morning coffee, lunch and tea will be available from the middle of February via [The CHOBA Online Shop](#), or alternatively [contact Margaret in the CHOBA Office](#).

Come along with your family and meet up with old friends and contemporaries - it'll be a great day!

CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEAS FROM CHOBA

Our range of CH merchandise would make a great gift and can be ordered online

Stock includes:-

- CH silk single crested tie
- Cufflinks
- Hooded Sweatshirt
- Polo Shirt
- Rugby Shirt

To order please visit our [Online shop](#) or contact the [CHOBA Administrator](#).

Please note the last posting date for Standard Parcels for delivery by Christmas is Wednesday 15th December

THE OLD BLUE

In the New Year we would welcome all articles to be sent in for inclusion in the spring edition of the Old Blue; we would particularly welcome any articles of interest or news from Young Old Blues.

Additionally, if you have any suggestion about how we can improve the magazine do not hesitate to contact us.

RE-LAUNCH OF THE CHOBA CAREERS NETWORK

As always, new offers are always welcome, and at present especially for:

Architecture
Business Analysis
Events Management
Financial Management
Insurance
Investment Banking

Hazard Management
Legal and Legal Services
Marketing, Advertising and Promotion
Medical Service and Healthcare
Museum work
Politics and Political Affairs
Project Management
Property Management
Publishing and Journalism
Theatrical and Acting
TV, Film and Radio
Veterinary Services and Animal Care

Please contact Margaret at the CHOBA office if you are able to offer this valuable service to other Old Blues on 01403 247665 or administrator@chassociation.org

OLD BLUE NEWS

Old Blue Alex Lanipekun (LaA 92-99) is currently playing Laertes in Hamlet at the National Theatre..

A piece of Housey history was discovered in a farmhouse in Western Australia, commemorated at the Founders Day Dinner in Manjimup 2010. Browsing through a friend's library on a farm near Bridgetown in the South West of Western Australia a few months ago, Jeremy Lea (BaB 54-61) was amazed to discover a book with a Christ's Hospital crest embossed on the red leather cover and a presentation certificate on the inside front cover, which read:

**Presented
BY
The Governors
OF
Christ's Hospital
London
TO
Christian F Hare
for Classics
Little Erasmus**

Examination July 1884

The book was entitled "Fifteen Decisive Battles of the World from Marathon to Waterloo" by Sir Edward Creasy, published in 1877 with very small print by today's standards, but still in good condition.

SECTION NEWS

The new FCH US newsletter can be found at <http://www.chassociation.org/sections/overseas/friendsofch.php>

The new email address for the Masonic Rose Croix is davidspackman@btinternet.com

The new contact for the North West Old Blues is Jim Lechmere (PeB 1963 – 1969), his email address is: lechmere@supanet.com

The new contact for the Ontario and Eastern Canadian Old Blues is David Timms (ThA 1945 – 1954), his email address is: djmetimms@rogers.com

THOSE OLD BLUES WHO ARE SADLY NO LONGER WITH US

Michael Moore (MdB 1943 -1951)

Clenny Squire (MdB1943-1948), died on 3rd. October 2010

Carol Stevens (nee Rayson) (3's 1959 -1965) 27 October 1947 to 7 September 2010,

Carol's untimely death on September 7th 2010 aged 62 following a very short period in hospital was unexpected and a very great shock to all her family, and her many CH friends.

Carol was a very hardworking member of the Council of Almoners from 1996 – 2007, serving on most CH Committees and working parties and was instrumental in the structural changes that led to the transformation from the CH Club to CHOBA. She played a valuable part in a substantial number of key policy issues as an Almoner and also served as a BSB Director from 1985 to January 2000.

Carol was born in London in 1947 at Westminster Hospital and her links with Westminster and the City of London were recurring features in her life. Her mother was a Northern mill worker and her father was a building manager in London. She had a brother Alan who was two years younger and a sister Brenda four years younger.

Aged 10, Carol was awarded a London County Council scholarship to Hertford. She was in Ward 3 and in her last year was a Monitress for Ward I by then called House 1. She never forgot her roots or the gratitude she felt for the education she received at Christ's Hospital.

As well as her academic achievements, CH provided the grounding for her considerable skills in cookery and needlework and her lifelong passion for music, the arts and history. Carol read widely and was a constant source of interesting and often little-known facts with which she would embellish any journey or visit.

She had a "Gap" year before going to university and chose to work at the Flour Milling and Baking Research Association Labs in St Albans. Here she met Derrick Stevens who was 22 years older and became her life long partner of 40 years.

In 1966, Carol was the first in her family to attend university. She went to Trevelyan College, Durham University and gained a 2:1 in Geography. Within weeks of graduating, she and Derrick were married and lived in Welwyn for a few years before moving to Amersham in the early 1970's

In 1969, Carol returned to her Westminster roots when she started working with the Department of Environment (then called the Ministry of Housing and Local Government). She began as a research assistant in Planning for the South East and enjoyed a successful career as a Principal where she made a major contribution to the development of policy on a wide range of planning issues. Her last few years as a Civil Servant were spent on secondment to The Prince's Trust as Director, Government Relations, a job singularly in harmony with her abiding interest in serving her community.

Carol chose to stop working in the late 90's to enjoy more time with Derrick and pursue their passion for travel, the arts, fine food and wine. They greatly enjoyed meeting up with friends and family and also new family members through their interest in researching family history.

In 1999, Carol was delighted to become a Freeman of the City of London, having been proposed by John Hughesdon and Chris Bruce-Jones.

She devoted much time and care to Derrick during his final years but still managed to continue on the Council of Almoners and as a Donation Governor greatly enjoying the opportunity to present children to CH. Derrick died in 2006, and after a period of adjustment, Carol was enjoying the opportunity to travel again, planned an extension to her house in Amersham and enjoyed her passions for music, in particular opera, the arts, gardening, walking etc. Most of all, she loved to find time for sustaining her many friendships and her family.

A celebration of Carol's life was held on September 21st at Amersham and among the many who attended were the Headmaster John Franklin and his wife and over 30 friends and colleagues from Christ's Hospital.

Alan Taylor (BaB 1935-1941), died 11th October 2010

SCHOOL TOPICS

OPEN DAYS

It was good to see so many families, including Old Blues and referrals from Old Blues who are interested in a place for their son or daughter. Around 280 families visited Christ's Hospital for the Second Form Open Day on 18th September from 19 UK counties plus a sprinkling from abroad (France, Spain and Chile). 100 students attended the Sixth Form Open Day on 2nd October. The closing date for Foundationer (means-tested) places for entry in September 2011 has past and we are heading towards final assessments and interviews.

There is an opportunity for a limited number of pupils to join CH in Year 7, 9 and the Sixth Form as Direct Entry (full-fee payers) in September 2011. Please contact Admissions for further information about these places.

For families wishing to attend an Open Day, the next opportunity is on Saturday, 5 March.

ST MATTHEW'S DAY and the LORD MAYOR'S SHOW

On Friday, 24th September the City of London once again cleared the streets for the parade of the Christ's Hospital Band and senior pupils to the annual St Matthew's Day service at the Church of St Andrew, Holborn. Escorted by the City Police the parade marched from New Bridge Street, along Farringdon Street to Charterhouse Street. The address by distinguished Benedictine Dom Antony Sutch OSB (well known as a contributor to Radio 4's Thought for the Day) focused on 'Truth, Freedom and Love'. Dom Antony encouraged the congregation on the topic of speaking and living by beliefs and values.

On Saturday, 13th November - the Band performed magnificently at the Lord Mayor's Show and appeared in the BBC One coverage of the day's event.

Photos of both events can be viewed on the Christ's Hospital website parents' section.

READY STEADY COOK

Two teams cooked against the clock in Dining Hall on Tuesday evening, 21st September, cheered on by the rest of the LE year group. Challenged to create the best healthy dish possible from a list of mystery ingredients, the teams produced two tasty recipes; Red Team - Chicken and Pasta Ragout and Green Team - Spinach and Vegetable Balti.

It was a close call but the judges, including Chef Kevin Whitlock, agreed that the audience vote went to the Red Kitchen. Susan Gander, Catering Manager for Chartwells, the school caterers who organised the event, said:" The winning pasta dish will be put on the menu for everyone to enjoy and the pupils and teacher who won will go into the kitchen and cook it!"

CHILDREN IN NEED

Christ's Hospital pupil, Andrew Searle, Deputy Grecian Middleton B, spoke about the charity Jigsaw4u on BBC One South-East news as part of 'Children in Need'. Jigsaw4u provides support and counselling to children who have suffered family loss and trauma and has helped Andrew since the loss of his father. In return, Andrew has given presentations, taken part in the production of a resource video and has got involved in Jigsaw4u's most recent DVD on bereavement. Andrew travelled to Sri Lanka to help families after the 2005 Tsunami and has also written a story book on 'loss' which he hopes will be published.

PRIMARY SCHOOL WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

37 Year 5 primary school pupils and their teachers took part in Art and English workshops at Christ's Hospital on Friday, 12th November. Parents came along in the afternoon to watch the result of the day's work led by teachers Steve Walsh (English) and Lucy Donald (Art).

The workshop programme is open to both primary and prep school children with a Music and Maths day scheduled for 18th February. If you are connected with a school and would like us to send you an invitation about this programme, please contact Denise Jordan on 01403 247635.

For the latest School news, please view the School's website www.christs-hospital.org.uk

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