



CHRIST'S HOSPITAL OLD BLUES' ASSOCIATION

Welcome to the CHOBA March e-newsletter for 2011

Copies of recent CHOBA 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 Blue and Old Blue can also be found on our website shop to download free of charge at <http://www.chassociation.org/shop/>

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OLD BLUES DAY 2011

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

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 please **put the date in your diaries now**.

Tickets for morning coffee, lunch, tea and selected activities are available 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!

Rededication of the CH World War II Memorial

One of the tablets on the Dining Hall World War Two Memorial has been revised following recent research to incorporate the names of a number of Old Blues missing from the original list. On Old Blues Day, there will be a ceremony of re-dedication of the memorial at 11:45am with a brief address; the congregation will then walk the short distance to the chapel for a short service at noon.

School vs. Old Blues Debate, Old Blues Day 30 April 2011 - This Housey Believes!

The CH Debating Society is hoping to challenge a team of Old Blues to a debate during Old Blues Day. We are attempting to recruit two or three Old Blues to face a similarly sized team of Grecians on the motion "This House believes things were better in my day". Participants will speak for around five minutes, before engaging in a floor debate.

If you would be interested in participating in the debate or would like more information about the CH Debating Society, please contact Dr Alistair Goddard at AHG@christs-hospital.org.uk or by telephone through the Old Blues' office on 01403 247665.

Re-launch of the Careers Network

We will be re-launching the 'Careers Network' on Old Blues Day to widen the opportunities for Old Blues in this particularly difficult economic climate. We have been thrilled that in 2010 we helped 34 Young Old Blues by putting them in touch with Old Blues who could provide them with careers advice, specific industry expertise, work experience/placements, which in one case led to a job offer and another to an internship. We have been very fortunate to have the support of Neville Osmond (MaA 44-51), Kate Atkinson (CoIB 93-00) and Andrew Howgego (ThA, BaA 70-78) who have guided, directed and assisted with this initiative. We are committed to raising the awareness of CHOBA to our younger audience in 2011 and this is one of the ways we can achieve this aim.

We express our thanks to all those who have recently offered or reconfirmed their skills and experience to the careers network giving us comprehensive coverage across many industry sectors.

We look forward to helping even more Old Blues in the coming months via the careers network and each month will make regular reports via articles in the e-newsletters throughout 2011. The intention is to provide relevant information to help more Old Blues in pursuit of their chosen career. If you think you could offer careers advice either general (eg recruitment and guidance) or industry specific and inspire fellow Old Blues then please contact the CHOBA office on 01403 247665 or administrator@chassociation.org

CHANGES TO GIFT AID

We are very grateful to all those who have so generously supported CH in the past and who have in many cases allowed us to enhance their gifts with Gift Aid. This can boost gifts considerably.

We have been told by the Inland Revenue that from 6 April 2011, the level of Gift Aid that we are going to be able to claim back as a charity is going down. When the basic rate of income tax fell from 22% to 20% on 6 April 2008 this potentially reduced the amount of tax relief a charity could claim on Gift Aided donations by individuals. This has been remedied by the availability of transitional relief which is paid by HMRC in addition to Gift Aid reclaims. The relief will

expire on 5 April 2011. This means that at the moment a donation of £100 from an individual taxpayer is worth £128.21 after Gift Aid including transitional relief. As from 6 April 2011 this £100 donation will be worth £125.

Therefore any gifts made before 7 April will be more enhanced by Gift Aid than those made after- so anyone considering a gift to CH in the near future, may wish to take this into account!

DATA SURVEY

A big “thank you” to all those who have completed and returned their survey forms recently – there is still time to return your forms so please send them to us.

CHRIST’S HOSPITAL SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS EVENTS - Lent Term 2011

Fri 4th Mar 8pm – An Evening of Chamber Music - Featuring Juliet Edwards (piano), Rachel Ellis (violin) and guest artist Judith Souther (cello).

Sun 6th Mar 2pm – Singing Masterclass - Discover how people are taught to sing!

Thur 10th Mar 8pm – “After Miss Julie” by Patrick Marber - The London Classic Theatre Company bring Strindberg’s brutal, sensual love story of post-war England to Christ’s Hospital Theatre.

Sat 12th Mar 10.15am – Choral Society Workshop - Keen singers are invited to join the Choral Society for this workshop day on Belshazzar’s Feast by William Walton.

Sun 13th Mar 3pm – Christ’s Hospital Concert Band - The famous Concert Band performing an entertaining programme of light classics, solos, film music and much, much more.

Tue 22nd Mar 1.10pm – Chichester Cathedral - The Chamber Orchestra will perform a selection of works including Mozart’s Symphony 29 in A major.

Sun 27th Mar 7pm – Angus Ross Memorial Concert - A programme of fantastic English orchestral and choral music.

For tickets, pricing or information please call the Box Office on: 01403 247434, Mon–Fri 9.30am - 12pm Term Time Only
Information available on the School website: <http://www.christs-hospital.org.uk/school-life-whats-on-box-office.php>

OLD BLUE NEWS – Book reviews

Christ's Hospital in the Victorian Era

Ken Mansell's (PeB 53-61) new book - CHRIST'S HOSPITAL IN THE VICTORIAN ERA - is scheduled for publication in March. Further details and an order form can be obtained from Ken at ken.mansell@btinternet.com or from the publisher's website at ashwaterpress.co.uk. If preferred, the book can be collected (by arrangement) from Purley or Whitton, rather than posted.

Hang on Tight - Christ's Hospital: from Girlhood to Governor

Sue Davies-Jenkins (2's 57 – 65) has published "Hang on Tight - Christ's Hospital: from Girlhood to Governor"

Hang on Tight is a diverse mix of photographs, original poetry and prose and tells the story of Sue Davies-Jenkins and her journey from schoolgirl to Donation Governor at Christ's Hospital.

Any profits from this book will be donated to Christ's Hospital.

To order:

By Phone: 0191 3735660

By Fax: 0191 3739652

By Email: memoirclub@email.msn.com

OR

Call Margaret at The CHOPA office Tel: 01403 247665. Email: administrator@chassociation.org Website: www.chassociation.org

Firefighters of Cambridge

David Bennett (ThA 54-62) has published "Firefighters of Cambridge", based on his experiences as a Cambridgeshire firefighter in the 1970s. It is available in bookshops or on the internet from Amberley Publishing (£16.99) or Amazon. This follows his book, "A Magnificent Disaster, the Failure of Market Garden, The Arnhem Operation, September, 1944" (Casemate, 2008), which is advertised on his website. Since retiring from the Canadian Labour Congress in 2006, Dave has become a full-time writer and journal editor.

Servants of Empire - ISBN-9781848855717

Margaret Du Boulay has just published her late husband's (Robin Du Boulay (PrepA, PeB 31-38)) book. Robin and his brother George were both educated at CH. Robin, the elder, was granted a Presentation to C.H. on the basis of his father's outstanding war service. Robin arrived at CH in September 1931 on the train from Victoria. He joined Prep A and in September 1932 he moved up to Peele B. In December 1938 he sat the Scholarship examination for Oxford and was awarded an Exhibition to Balliol. H.L.O. Flecker, Headmaster at the time then sent Robin off to Phillips Academy in Massachusetts for six months where later the two Bush Presidents were to be educated. On his return he went up to Balliol for his first year but after that war service as an artillery officer occupied him until October 1945. The great influence on him at Oxford was Sir Richard Southern, whose son Peter was to become Headmaster at Christ's Hospital.

This unusual family memoir offers a memorable glimpse of late imperial life and provides a fascinating record of the intersection of the lives of a single British family with the drama of world affairs. It offers a compelling portrait of a Victorian family and casts fresh light on the daily lives of the British who chose to make their lives abroad as part of the fabric of the Empire.

Copies of the book which costs £17.50 plus postage and packing can be ordered from www.ibtauris.com/promotions please quote Ref. No: 4ZW

THOSE OLD BLUES WHO ARE NO LONGER WITH US

Eric Crutchley MBE (MdA 49-55), died 9th February 2011
James Forbes (LaA 34-41), died 25th February 2011
Captain Michael Fawcett (Prep A, CoIA 35-44), died 8th January 2011
Margaret Morris (nee Oxford) (3's, 7's 39-46), died 6th January 2011
Joyce Nix, nee Skinner (4's 32-40), died on 31st October 2010
Joyce Taylor, (4's 33-40), died on 29th December 2010
Peter Towndrow (Ma B 38-46), died 9th February 2011
Reverend John Tunbridge (ThA 40-49), died 9th February 2011
Keith Wingfield (MaB 39-47), died on 25th December 2010

SECTION NEWS. Please see events calendar below or refer to full event listings on the website <http://www.chassociation.org/events/index.php>

Old Blue Drinks in London – URGENT REMINDER – drinks are this Thursday!

At All Bar One in Leicester Square on Thursday March 3rd at 18.30-20.30 Hrs. This event is the first of what will hopefully become a regular gathering for Old Blues to informally meet up with old friends, network and perhaps seek assistance with Career advice from other Old Blues.

It would be great if you could let us know that you are coming (oldblues@christs-hospital.org.uk) so we are able to secure a large enough area. Experience tells us that these things always work best if you know someone who is attending – so why not call a fellow Old Blue or two ?

Old Blues Gloucester Rugby Re-union in May

Following the item in the February e-newsletter about Gloucester v Old Blues rugby matches, a reunion of those who played at Gloucester and any other interested supporters is being organised, to take place at Gloucester's last home Premiership match of the season against Sale on 7 May 2011. For further details please contact Mike Pickard at mjp@boxford.demon.co.uk."

New venues Section meetings

The **West Sussex** are meeting alternately at The Labouring Man, Old London Road, Coldwaltham, RH20 1LF (the venue for our successful Christmas lunch) and The Greyhound Inn, Cocking Causeway, GU29 9QH, just south of Midhurst

The **East Sussex** Old Blues are meeting at The Cock Inn – a family run pub beside the A26 between Lewes and Uckfield. www.cockpub.co.uk.

The **East Surrey** Old Blues will meet at The Red Lion, Bletchingley, RH1 4NU

Surrey and Hampshire Border Old Blues Annual Dinner

This year the annual dinner is to be held on Friday 11th March.

French Old Blues

The group is being reformed and an event is planned for the weekend starting Friday 19th August 2011

Old Blues Golfing Society 2011

President: David Spackman

Captain for 2011: Colin Russell

Rosemary Adkins (Hon. Sec.)

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EVENTS 2011.

<u>MASTERS MATCH</u>	<u>Chiddingfold</u>	Tuesday 19 th April
<u>SPRING MEETING</u>	<u>Cowdray Park</u>	<u>Monday 9th May</u>
<u>MASTERS' MATCH</u>	<u>Cranleigh</u>	Wednesday, 31 st August
<u>AUTUMN MEETING</u>	<u>Betchworth Park</u>	Monday 26 th September

THE SPRING MASTERS' MATCH 2011.

This is the 14th year of matches against the Masters and we are booked for the first match at Chiddingfold Golf Club, on Tuesday 19th April. We are aiming at five, four-ball matches starting at 10.00am (09.00am for tea/coffee and Bacon roll). A one-course ploughman's barbecue meal with coffee will follow the golf at about 2.30pm. The cost will be £25.00. Under 28's £13, Student's £7.00

Buggies are available, but need to be booked in advance (£17.50).

Chiddingfold Golf Club, Petworth Road, Chiddingfold, Surrey, GU8 4SL

The Course has panoramic views across the Surrey Downs. This 18 hole, par 70 course, offers a unique combination of lakes, mature woodland and wildlife, plus exciting and challenging golf.

If we are over-subscribed the earliest entries will make up the team and the reserves will be able, if they wish, to play the course at the end of the field.

SPRING MEETING 2011

The Spring Meeting is at Cowdray Park Golf Club on Monday 9th May. Coffee and Bacon rolls will be served from 08.30am. We will be teeing off from 09.30am in threes for twelve holes, a light lunch from 12.00 and then The Atkinson Trophy will be played for over 18 holes, teeing off at 1.00pm. Dinner will be two courses at about 19.00.

The charge will be £75, or, for those under 28 years £38. For those in full time Education £19. Members £39. Anyone who prefers to omit the morning round need pay only £64. Buggies cost £20 a round or £30 for the day.

Cowdray Park lies East of Midhurst on the A272. Cowdray Park Golf Club, Cowdray Park, Midhurst, West Sussex, GU29 0BB. Tel:01730813599

AUTUMN MASTERS' MATCH 2011

We are booked for Wednesday, 31st August at Cranleigh Golf and Country Club, Barhatch Lane, Cranleigh, Surrey, GU6 7NG. We will meet at 09.0am for Coffee and Bacon roll, Tee off at 10.00am and end with a two-course lunch and Coffee at about 3.15pm The cost will be £40.00. (Cranleigh Members £20) Under 28's £20, Student's £10, Buggies are £20.

Cranleigh is an 18 hole, parkland course. It is situated in the heart of the Surrey countryside, just 20 minutes drive from both Guildford and Horsham. It is 1m from Cranleigh off the A281.

AUTUMN MEETING 2011

The Autumn Meeting is booked for Monday, September 26th at Betchworth Park Golf Club, Reigate Road, Dorking, RH4 1NZ, Betchworth Park Golf Club nestles under the North Downs overlooked by the legendary Box Hill beauty spot. Founded in 1911 and laid out by the distinguished golf course architect Harry S.Colt, this parkland course offers 18 holes of delightful but challenging golf.

We will be playing 9 holes in the morning and 18 holes in the afternoon competing for the Ross Gooby Trophy. The cost is £74.00 which includes coffee & bacon roll, 27 holes of golf, light lunch and an evening meal. Omitting the morning 9 holes, the cost will be £65. Under 28's - £37, Students - £19, Evening meal only - £20.50.

Buggies are £40 for 27holes. £20 for pm round and £27 for 9 holes am round!

Coffee & Bacon Baps on arrival from 08.00

Tee off from 09.00 (9 holes)

Light lunch from 11.15

Tee off from 12.30 (18 holes)

6pm Dinner (2 Course Meal)

WIVES/HUSBANDS/PARTNER

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).

MEMBERSHIP

New members are always welcome.

There is a £10 annual subscription.

The money from subscriptions and the wine sweeps, pay for entry into The Grafton Moorish, stationary, stamps, photocopying & subsidising the under 28 Old Blue golfers.

If any Old Blue wishes to join please contact: Rosemary.Adkins@btinternet.com

Results of previous matches can be found on our website <http://www.chassociation.org/sections/sports/golfingsociety.php>

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 2011 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 CHOPA office directly and we will amend your record accordingly.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR 2011			
Date	Section	Venue	Contact Details
Wednesday 2nd March	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	West Surrey	The Anchor, High	Please contact the Secretary John Swayne on 01483 453703 or by email at

2nd March	Old Blues	Street, Ripley GU23 6AE at 1pm	swayne_1@btinternet.com if you would like more information
Thursday 3rd March	Old Blues Drinks in London	All Bar One, 48 Leicester Square London WC2H 7LT at 18.30-20.30 Hrs.	This event is the first of what will hopefully become a regular gathering for Old Blues to informally meet up with old friends, network and perhaps seek assistance with career advice from other Old Blues. It would be great if you could let us know that you are coming (oldblues@christs-hospital.org.uk) so we are able to secure a large enough area. Experience tells us that these things always work best if you know someone who is attending – so why not call a fellow Old Blue or two ? The first drink is on us !
Saturday 5th March	West Sussex Old Blues	The Labouring Man, Old London Road, Coldwaltham, RH20 1LF(the venue for our successful Christmas lunch).	Meeting time will be 12:15 for 1pm. For these occasions it would be helpful if you could let the Landlord of the pub know in advance if you intend to come on 01798 872215, as this venue can only hold limited numbers. Please contact the Sue Howell Evans by email at she1549@yahoo.co.uk if you would like more information
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
Friday 11th March	Surrey and Hampshire Border Old Blues Annual Dinner	Manor House Hotel, Newlands Corner Guildford GU4 8SE	Please contact the Secretary, Michael Jefferies, for further details. Tel:01252 850215
Monday 14th March	Herts, Beds and Bucks Old Blues	Brookmans Park Golf Club , AL9 7AT (3 miles north of Potters Bar)	All are welcome to join us for our luncheon from 12 noon at Brookmans Park Golf Club. Please contact the Secretary, Jim Nelhams for further details. Tel: 0208 449 7076, hbob@chassociation.org
Wednesday 16th March	Severn and Avon Old	The Five Mile House (5 miles out of	Meeting at 12.00 for 12.30 for lunch. For further details please contact Peter Wornell on 01225 703517

	Blues	Cirencester on the A417 to Gloucester)	
Thursday 17th March	East Surrey Old Blues	The Red Lion, Bletchingley RH1 4NU	Please contact Paul Winterflood for further details. Tel: 01883 65 3017, or woolhams@btinternet.com
Tuesday 22nd March	CH Chamber Orchestra Concert	Chichester Cathedral	Further details to follow
Wednesday 23rd March	Thornton B and Ward Nine Association Annual Dinner	St Stephens's Club, 34 Queen Anne's Gate London SW1H 9AB (Tel : 020 7222 1382) We are scheduled to meet at 18.30 for 19.00hrs.	The cost is £55.00 per head for a 3 course dinner and half a bottle of wine and coffee. The evening will be informal with no table plan, no speeches and plenty of time to circulate. I do hope that you will be able to attend. Guests are welcome. Please contact Nick Angel for further information on 07917 193546
Monday 4th April	West Sussex Old Blues	The Greyhound Inn, Cocking Causeway, GU29 9QH, just south of Midhurst	Meeting time will be 12:15 for 1pm. Please contact the Sue Howell Evans by email at she1549@yahoo.co.uk if you would like more information
Tuesday 5th April	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 6th April	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 6th April	East Sussex Old Blues	The Cock Inn, beside the A26 between Lewes and	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.

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Saturday 16th April	Herts, Beds and Bucks Old Blues	"The Boot" Public House, Sarratt, WD6 3BL	All are welcome to join us for our luncheon from 12 noon. Please contact the Secretary, Jim Nelhams for further details. Tel: 0208 449 7076, hbob@chassociation.org
Thursday 21st April	East Surrey Old Blues	The Red Lion, Bletchingley RH1 4NU	Please contact Paul Winterflood for further details. Tel: 01883 65 3017, or woolhams@btinternet.com
Saturday 30th April (day after the Royal Wedding)	Old Blues Day 5 Years On 10 Years On Reunions	CH, Horsham	Tickets for morning coffee, lunch, tea and selected activities are now available 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 14th May	Old Blues Golfing Society	Knole Park, Kent	Each year we compete in the Grafton Morrish Public Schools Old Boys competition in early October. The qualification event is held at Knole Park in Kent and will be on Saturday 14th May. For more details For further details please contact Charles McKay either by e-mail mckayc@sky.com or mobile 07753 739000
Saturday 21 May	60 Years On Reunion – leavers of 50/51	CH. Horsham	Invitations to be sent out in March. Please call the office for further details.
Friday 19th August – Sunday 21st	Old Bleus of France - The weekend of	Location: Domaine du Grand Sizieres, Marçais, 18170. 8km	Invitation to attend a weekend in the centre of France, and participate in a relaxed game of cricket - whether as player, spectator or pundit! Come and join us even if it's just for an evening. Outline programme as follows: Friday 19th August, 1800h -

August	20th/21st August 2011	west of junction 8 on the A 71, 40km south of Bourges.	arrivals and aperitifs, followed by barbeque dinner . Saturday 20th - Morning of recovery and inaugural AGM. Afternoon cricket, alternative rural pursuits for non-players. Evening meal at restaurant / self catering. Sunday 21st - Morning second innings, then stop for lunch. A second meeting to formalise future gatherings and other activities will take place before dispersing in the afternoon. Children and dogs welcome Please contact Ed Adams for further details: Phone: 02 48 56 28 97 E-mail: edward.adams@sfr.fr
Saturday 10th September	30 Years On Reunion	CH, Horsham	Invitations to be sent out in July. Please call the office for further details.
Saturday 8th October	50 Years On Reunion	CH, Horsham	Invitations to be sent out in August. Please call the office for further details.
Tuesday 18th October	Founder's Day Dinner	Goldsmiths' Hall, Foster Lane, London EC2V 6BN	Application forms will be issued in July and sent to those who have attended in recent years. If you would like to be added to this mailing list please contact one of the following. Roger Eades - Hon Sec to the Stewards of Founder's Day, 4 Squirrel Wood, West Byfleet, Surrey KT14 6PE Email: rogereades@o2.co.uk CHOBA Christ's Hospital Foundation, Horsham West Sussex, RH13 0YP Email: administrator@chassociation.org
Sunday 23rd October	Bath and West Old Blues Annual Lunch	By kind permission of Elizabeth Cairncross at Wells Cathedral School, Wells, Somerset.	Please contact the Secretary, David Farrar for further details. Tel: 01934 862226 d.farrar@btconnect.com
Saturday 5th November NEW DATE	40 Years On Reunion	CH, Horsham	Invitations to be sent out in September. Please call the office for further details.
Friday 16th December	CHOBA Carol Concert	Church of St Andrew, Holborn, London	Further details to follow

SCHOOL NEWS

For School news please refer to the CH website <http://www.christs-hospital.org.uk/>

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