



Connexion

Spring 2005

Forthcoming Events

The Summer Meal has been booked for **Saturday 4th June 2005**. The meal will once again take place in Old Hall with the same caterers as last years. During the Saturday the Club will be organising something light for us to do. Preceding the meal we will have the AGM to appoint the executive for the coming year and to discuss business. The business will mainly be concerning Peter Allison.

Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to attend, the price has not been confirmed yet as we are still talking to the caterers but please email or phone me with an interest as it is only a few weeks away. If you know any members that may not be receiving this communication please let them know of the meal and pass on my details.

Returning Members London Meal 16th April 2005

The meal was held at Ye Olde Cheshire Cheese in Fleet Street, London. Attendance was modest with 8 members attending but the evening was a highly enjoyable event. The food was excellent and company was better. An enormous amount of wine was consumed but the bill was definitely pushed up by the copious amount of port drunk by all. It must also be said that a very fine, yet also very powerful, snuff was passed around called 'English Rose'. (This now comes with my very high recommendation). Jokes were told with Mick Manson once again proving that no man can joke like he can and Stuart Tilley doing a marvellous joke with actions that the lady waiter found somewhat bemusing, it's a good job she didn't hear the beginning.

It was decided at the meal that a new toast could be added in to 16 Club meals in memory of Peter Allison, the only man who was still smoking Capstain Full strength. The idea was proposed by Mick Manson and seconded by Stuart Tilley before being agreed by all at the table. It was thought that we should acknowledge Peter and the part he played, it was said that Peter enjoyed nothing more than smoking a fine cigar or cigarette, I remember during organising the meal and memorial last year an email about how Peter had introduced a member, in his younger college days, to a fine brand of cigars and then had to help him get over the addiction that followed. I feel this is a fitting toast to the late Peter Allison. The toast is going to be the last toast and is as follows;

Chairman – "Gentlemen, Peter Allison"

Club – "Peter"

Chairman – "Gentlemen you may smoke"

After the meal four gentlemen proceeded onto London Buses with red wine in hand to somewhere I believe near Liverpool Street to enjoy a little more drinking. Steve Branagan led us into a nice 'Sports Bar' (that is what it said above the door) where we could drink and be merry. It must be added that 'Sports Bar' is used in a very loose way as there were ladies, some gorgeous some not, there dancing for us leaving little if anything to the imagination. There is certainly something special about four Gentlemen in 3 piece suits in entering a strip club. Whilst ladies danced and continuously asked for money from us, two members had ideas of their own. Ben Rogers and John Harris thought they could avoid this small payment to the ladies by pretending they were boyfriends. Your thoughts on this will probably be the same as mine and I did tell them it would be mentioned for I felt it was questionable behaviour yet fairly amusing as they did look in love!

Peter Allison

A huge thank you must be said to Stuart Tilley for continually chasing this and dealing with the solicitors. We are going through the final motions. We recently received this from the solicitors;

'We refer to the above and further to our letter dated the 12th of February, we are pleased to confirm that we have obtained advice from counsel and write to inform you that we in a position to pay the legacy as soon as we receive confirmation that the Treasurer for the time being and also The Lord High Registrar Mr Rosset are willing to sign a receipt for the money.'

The College Club

The Chairman Phil Coldicott writes on the year passed at college:

"This year has been a good year for the college club. The Michaelmas Term saw us return to the Castle Green with an excellent meal and joined by Chris Morgan, Captain of the SDUC Rugby Club, and in the Lent Term we enjoyed the hospitality of the Royal Oak, this time joined by Harun Getui, President of the SDUC Students Union.

We also had a very successful evening of Pub Golf, which was attended by Club and several guests. The night was cut short for many, due to quantities imbibed, but a few stalwarts where remaining and had to be evicted for the College Bar.

A first for the Club was the inaugural Burn's Night, organised by the College Chaplain, Brendon O'Malley. The Piper was none other than our own Sean Slater and a marvellous evening was had by all. Festivities were again continued in the College Bar. There was something very 'Lampeter' about an English Piper playing at a traditional Scottish evening at a Welsh University organised by an Irishman.

Membership is steady, with two new members this year and another two waiting 'in the wings'. The Club are looking forward to another successful Returners this year."

16 Polo Shirts

Some may remember when visiting college last year that some Club Members had black Polo Shirts on with the 16's Club Crossed Goblets embroidered on one breast and the motto on one sleeve. We have made enquiries with the company who made these and they can do some more if members wished for them.



Here is a photo of the shirts modelled by myself, John Harris and Ben Rogers, taken whilst we were in France last year. I must apologise that the picture is not that good, and yet again contains me, it gives and idea of what the shirts look like.

Price will be about £17. If you would like a polo shirt please let me know and we will get an order off asap. I need at least 12 orders.

Your Details And Contact Information

Just a quick note asking that if you change addresses or email address please let us know. Please change your details on the website, under Member Info making a comment that this is a change. If you know any members that we have lost contact with and are not receiving communications please pass on the website address to them and ask them to fill in the Member Info, or contact myself on the details below

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