

# OLD SULIANS' ASSOCIATION

## Newsletter

February 2011

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held at **7.30 pm.** prompt on **Monday 21st February 2011** at the **Bath Cricket Club, North Parade**, by kind permission of the Cricket Club. Your attention is drawn to Rule 15, under which any member wishing to move a resolution or nominate an Officer at the Annual General Meeting must give notice of their intention in writing to the Honorary Secretary, not less than seven days before the meeting.

**P D Powell    Honorary Secretary**

### AGENDA

- 1 Apologies
- 2 Minutes of 2010 AGM
- 3 Matters arising
- 4 Hon. Secretary's Report
- 5 Hon. Treasurer's Report
- 6 Election of Officers:
  - a. President—Nomination: R J Wood Esq.,
  - b. Vice Presidents
  - c. Hon. Secretary
  - d. Hon. Treasurer
  - e. Hon. Social Secretary
  - f. Hon. Correspondent
  - g. Hon. Auditors
  - h. Trustees
  - i. Executive Committee
7. Any other business.

### **Hon. Secretary's Report**

In October 2010 we saw the publication of 'Basement to Beechen Cliff', a task undertaken by a small team of Old Sulians' which has proved to be not only popular but profitable. The profits have now been donated to the School for the purchase of books for the library.

We shall try to arrange new events but to do so we need input from members. You will note from the newsletter that we are going to have lunch at various venues (with wives).

Any Old Sulian is welcome to attend Committee Meetings at the Bath Cricket Club on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Looking back to past minutes, in December 1955 the minutes show that the Headmaster, L H Scott, suggested that the Association should consider awarding prizes. We agreed to present 2 prizes at a cost of One Guinea each to boys in Form 2 and 4 who showed the most progress in the year, evidenced by exam results.

Graham Mower was President followed by T A W Palmer, with a strong Committee containing amongst others, Freddie Burt, Bill Oatley, John New, Bill Wood, Tom Archard, Ken Ruddick and John Ruddick, Brian Dawes, Jim Sagar and 'Spud' Gardner. It is interesting to note that whist drives were held jointly with the Parents Association.

The Headmaster was a regular attendee at Committee Meetings. The Annual Dinner held in December 1955 showed a profit of £12-19-8p. The first Old Boy elected as Mayor of Bath

was S A Smith. And finally a Motor Rally was held attended by 73 competitors at 10/6p a head, which included dinner, organised by Maurice Robinson and Fred Burt. It made a loss of 1/8d.!

**P D Powell Hon Secretary.**

### **Hon. Treasurer's Report**

I can report another successful year for the Association helped largely by the sales of The Book and a good crowd for the Annual Dinner. The Auditor has passed the books and produced the Balance Sheet in a revised format which will be available at the AGM as usual. We would have shown a profit of about £150 on the year but for 2 items. We donated the sum of £1000 to the Headmaster for books for the Library, and we wrote off the £1000 loan to The School towards the organ fund that was made many years ago. John New and the then Treasurer Bill Wood, arranged it as a loan because of the uncertain future of the school under the political masters of the time. Plus ca change! But Beechen Cliff is in a much more stable position today and your Committee decided that the continued state of the loan as an Association asset was anachronistic. I am grateful to our Hon Auditor John Foster for his continued advice and support.

There are still a few copies of Basement to Beechen Cliff available and we also have a good stock of ties. £10 each, with postage an extra £2.50 for the book

**R J Wood Hon Treasurer**