

Trip to Imperial War Museum, Lambeth.

23rd October. Tony Buss has arranged a group booking on a coach trip to Lambeth. Further trips are being mooted. If you have any thoughts please give Tony a ring on 01225 404625 or e-mail: bussstop@sky.com

Informal Lunches

Have proved fairly popular so we are carrying on for the Autumn. The schedule is:

September 14th at **The Mill at Rode,**

October 12th at **The Globe at Newton St Loe,**

November 9th at **The Boathouse at Bathwick**

Contact **Peter Powell** for any directions. Make your own arrangements, pay your own bills. Meet from 12 noon, and give yourselves a treat and enjoy lunch with friends.

Membership

Whilst attending the reunion mentioned on the front, **Peter Dyer, Chris Shackell** and **Cecil Hallett** were painlessly relieved of a Life Members sub by our silver tongued Secretary. All '49'ers obviously!

Old Sulians' Rugby Club

Celebrating 50 years on Lansdown and the start of another season. We wish them well and you are assured of a welcome up on the hill. I understand that **Brian French** will be up from down under and is hoping to be there on the 10th September. What better excuse for those of you who remember him or owe him a pint!

Headmaster's Newsletter

I am very grateful to the Headmaster for his comprehensive end-of-term report that you should find enclosed. I also note from The Chron that this year's crop of exam results look to be very promising, particularly the 'A' levels.

And finally - the next newsletter will be out for February 2012 if we are spared! If you have any news you would like to share please get in touch. My thanks to my current correspondents and I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Annual Dinner.

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	OLD SULIANS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 2011	
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As I write this in the middle of another 'English Summer' it is cold and drizzling (I put this in so that our antipodean members can gloat!). The Annual Dinner is the next big event. Attendances at the golf and treasure hunt have been low and next year will be a make or break time. It is very dispiriting for the organisers and the events must be at risk if not supported. Hopefully the Annual Dinner will fare better and recent years have been very encouraging. Full details are found elsewhere so please book early.



On 14th July, 13 members of the 5th Form of the old City of Bath Boys' School who took their School Certificate in 1949 gathered at The George at Bathampton for a reunion lunch. Organised by Mike Hucker, they tried desperately to remember old times and old friends.

The photo shows l - r: P Dyer, P Powell, B Thomas, D Francis, M Hucker, C Bush, A Blake, T Light, C Windsor, M Moore, C Shackell, M Challenor, and C Hallett.

NEWS

Raymond Leppard

The distinguished former pupil visited School in May to sign copies of his autobiography "Music Made Me", the UK proceeds of which will go to the School's Music Centre project. A goodly number of us met and chatted with him, were entertained by the School Big Band with some members coming straight from exams, and then had an external tour of the new music block. **Paul Calvert**, the Head of music, was busy measuring up for curtains for his new penthouse suite!

And talking of music, a reminder that if you have any musical instruments stashed away in the loft/garage/box-room that you no-longer play or use, then a good home could be found for them in this new project, the Head's own 'El sistema'.

EVENTS PAST

9th June Association v NHSOB. **Alan Blake** reports: The weather was excellent and due to the absence of a couple of Sulians. we fielded a team which comprised two guest players. An excellent lunch, ploughmans of course, preceded what turned out to be a good round of golf for 5 teams of 4. The course was in particularly good fettle as the Newport Golf Club was about to host it's Open Championship, so we were very lucky. The afternoons golf was enjoyed by all concerned and resulted in a win for the visitors. {We tend to gloss over the actual scoreline}. After a good shower to ease away the aches collected during the afternoon, we sat down to a superb dinner. All in all a good day for **Mick Moore's** team. .

17th June Association Golf Day. **Mike Wood** reports:

Sulian golfers took to the fairways of Bath Golf Club in testing, wet conditions on Friday June 17th to continue their annual battle for the trophies and prizes. It's not known if **Roy Aust** has any 'Irish blood' but he emulated Rory McIlroy's feat in the US Open by taking all before him and winning the Tony Bowrey Trophy for a best gross 75, The Association Cup with a best Net 68, the 'Longest Drive' and the 'Nearest the Pin'. If protocol had permitted, he would have also won the Old Tossers Tankard but that went to **Robert Hill** and on count back, Roy lost out to **Barry Marsh** who won the Rose Bowl with 39 stableford points. As usual, the prizes were spread around and shared by those who followed closely (or not so closely!) in Roy's wake. With the Club Championships being played the following day, the course was in splendid condition and the fare served up by House Manager Richard Lennon and his staff matched their normal high standards. Our thanks go to Bath Golf Club for their continued support and hospitality. Numbers unfortunately continue to dwindle! If anyone likes to plan their year early and to pre-empt anyone suggesting they didn't have enough notice, get **Friday June 15th 2012** in the diary now!

6th July Approach Golf. **Rich Wood** reports:

Five players braved the rain and wind. Two completed all 18 holes, the other three retiring after the first 9 due to worsening weather conditions. The result, scored over the first 9 holes, was: 1st **Rich Wood**, 2nd **Peter Beach**, and 3rd **Alan Blake**. The Approach Golf tournament, which has been running since 1953, will run for a further two years making a nice round 60 years, at which point we'll also have run out of room for names on the cup.

Treasure Hunt or 'Robert's Ramble'. **Rich Wood** reports:

Four teams headed out on a treasure hunt organised by **Robert Hill** around some of the lesser-known parts of Bath. Fortunately the rain held off for the evening. Unfortunately there was a rather poor turnout, partly due to clashing with the 49ers gathering held the same day. The results were:

1st **Peter Beach**, =2nd **Peter Powell**, =2nd **Rich Wood**, 4th **Alex Wood**.

£11 was raised, to be donated to a charity of the Presidents choosing.

EVENTS FUTURE

15th October 2011 Annual Dinner Bath Cricket Club, North Parade.

7 o'clock for 8pm. Black tie or Lounge suit. You should find a chitty enclosed. Just follow the instructions, put it in an envelope with a cheque made out to 'Old Sulians' Association for £30 per person and post it straight away. (After the 6th October it is £35 per person)

Our friends at Bath Cricket Club have held their prices for yet another year, so have we. In these austere times I hope this will encourage you to come. **Graham Knight's** young friends get their bus passes this year and have promised to use them to save parking their zimmer frames.

The toast to the Association will be proposed by **Tony Comer**; **Rich Wood**, the **President** will reply; **Andrew Davies**, the **Headmaster** will update us on events and achievements at School and the **Rugby Club** will have the last word. Hopefully each will take 'Just 5 Minutes' without hesitation, repetition or deviation from the subject. If I felt it would do any good I would bring a buzzer!

I always read out a few messages from those who are unable to attend so if you would like to be remembered or get me to collect any white fivers you are owed, just drop me a line or e-mail.

And below is a picture of the results of our presentation to the Head last year of a cheque from the proceeds of 'The Book'. (Still just a handful of copies left which will be with me on the night if you are in need!).

