

## **REPORT** 2021-22



The annual report of Trinity College, Oxford









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A view into the Levine Building Café

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The President's Garden in June. The planting was designed by the late Paul Lawrence to be at its best for the many college events that take place in the garden in early summer.

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For the November Graduation, Front Quad was lit up to offer a suitably celebratory welcome for the graduands as they returned from the Sheldonian Theatre.

Photograph: Ian Wallman

# An end and a beginning

The past year marked both an end and a beginning. An end to the major disruption caused by the pandemic, and the beginning of a new era for Trinity, with much-anticipated new facilities that provide so many opportunities for the whole community.

This was a year when we returned to 'normal' operations. Face-to-face teaching resumed, student clubs, societies and sports teams were relaunched, dining became a fully social experience once more, and international travel became possible, largely unaccompanied by periods of quarantine. It has been a great joy to rediscover and experience Oxford in all its diversity. From matriculation, to graduation ceremonies and students walking their friends to Examination Schools, many Oxford traditions were revived.

## Academic achievements

Our finalists achieved a commendable set of results. In the 2022 Final Honours Schools, 21 undergraduates achieved a First and 52 a 2.1. There were some very notable individual achievements, including three Gibbs Prizes: for the top-ranked candidate in Biochemistry; for excellent dissertation performance in Mathematics; and for best overall



HRH the then Prince of Wales arriving in College accompanied by the President, with, between them, the Lord Lieutenant, the Lord Mayor and the Chancellor of the University, Lord Patten

performance in Management. Our Prelims students also did very well with at least 50 per cent of candidates achieving a distinction in Computer Science, Economics & Management, English, Engineering, and Philosophy & Theology. It is especially pleasing to note the high achievement of students across a wide range of subjects in humanities, social sciences, and sciences.

Within the graduate community, 47 successfully completed their course of study, including 19 who were awarded their DPhil.

We continue to make good progress in our ambition to cast our recruitment net as wide as possible. Much of our outreach work focuses on supporting teachers so that they are better placed to help their students to make competitive applications to selective universities. Within the graduate community, one of the striking developments is the global reach of our graduate recruitment this year we welcomed graduates from over 30 countries, including Nepal, Myanmar, Ghana, Rwanda, Kenya and our first student from South Sudan, who graduated with a Distinction in her master's degree.

## **The Levine Building**

At the end of the academic year, the fundraising campaign for the Levine Building was only a few weeks away from reaching the  $\pounds_{15}$  million target, thanks to a generous donation received just a few days before I was writing this introduction. On behalf of the entire Trinity community I offer our most sincere gratitude to all the Old Members and Friends of Trinity who have helped, encouraged and supported us in equal measure. Over 1,200 alumni made generous donations, following the lead gift by Peter Levine, the building being named in memory of his parents, Gerry and Sadie Levine. We could not be more grateful. I must pay tribute to Sir Ivor Roberts who established the vision for the building back at the start of his tenure as President; and to Sue Broers, Director of Development, for her leadership of the successful fundraising campaign. Sue, along with her team, has worked tirelessly to achieve this result. Their commitment has never faltered in a long campaign.

We were absolutely delighted that His Royal Highness the then Prince of Wales agreed to preside at the official opening of the Levine Building in May. There was great excitement as he met staff and students, who lined Front Quad to greet him.

The Levine Building has been brought into full use and it seemed fitting that the first public event in the de Jager Auditorium was the Richard Hillary Lecture, which was given by the award-winning novelist Alan Hollinghurst. Since then we have put the building to all sorts of uses, testing its capabilities. An event that truly encapsulated our aspirations for this fantastic facility was the first graduate Research Showcase, in which twelve graduate students presented their research to the wider college community.

## **Teaching and research**

Our academics continue to deliver distinctive work in their chosen fields. Amongst many successes, Charlotte Williams, Fellow in Chemistry, was awarded the Royal Society's Leverhulme Medal for her pioneering work developing and understanding high-performance carbon dioxide utilisation catalysts. James Larkin, Lecturer in Biochemistry, developed a new type of blood test that can be used to detect a range of cancers and whether these cancers have spread in the body. A research team led by Steve Fisher, Fellow and Tutor in Politics, produced the world's largest survey of public opinion on climate change, in partnership with the United Nations Development Programme. And the college relaunched its clinical medicine programme under the leadership of Neale Marlow, Lecturer in Clinical Medicine, so our undergraduate medics can stay at Trinity for their clinical studies. To mark the launch of the new venture. the Trinity Society funded an engraved (Trinity) stethoscope for each student in the first cohort.

Amongst a sizeable group of new colleagues, we welcomed Rebecca Bullard to the key college role of Senior Tutor and soon after her arrival she led the Fellowship in a discussion about our academic aspirations for Trinity, in preparation for the next five-year strategy.

At the end of the academic year, we bade farewell to two particularly long-standing colleagues: to Peter Read, who has served as a Tutorial Fellow in Physics since 1996; and to Emma Percy, who has served as college chaplain for some 17 years, offering pastoral care and supporting the spiritual needs of the whole college community. We wish them both well for the future.

It remains for me to thank all my colleagues for their professionalism and commitment to life at Trinity; Caroline Von Lampe and Kam Poon (respectively JCR and MCR presidents) for representing their student peers so ably; and our students who make Trinity the lifeenhancing place that it undoubtedly is.

Hilary Bould

Dame Hilary Boulding, DBE

# The Fellowship

## 2021-22

The Governing Body comprises the President, Fellows, Senior Research Fellow, and Junior Research Fellows indicated by an asterisk.

## President

Dame Hilary Boulding, DBE, MA Oxf, FLSW FRWCMD

## **Fellows**

**Dr Steve Sheard**, BSc PhD Lond, MA Oxf, MIET, CEng: *Hunt-Grubbe Fellow and Tutor in Engineering Science* 

**Professor Peter Read**, BSc Birm, MA Oxf, PhD Camb: *Fellow and Tutor in Physics* 

**Professor Dame Frances Ashcroft**, DBE, MA PhD ScD Camb, MA Oxf, FRS, FMedSci: *Royal Society SmithKline Beecham Professor of Physiology* 

Professor Justin Wark, MA Oxf, PhD Lond: Fellow and Tutor in Physics

**Professor Jan Czernuszka**, BSc Lond, MA Oxf, PhD Camb: *Fellow and Tutor in Materials Science* 

**Professor Martin Maiden**, MA MPhil PhD Camb, MA Oxf, FBA: *Professor of Romance Languages* 

**Professor Louis Mahadevan**, BSc New Delhi, MSc PhD Lond, MA Oxf: *Fellow and Tutor in Biochemistry* 

**Professor Alexander Korsunsky**, BSc MSc Moscow, MA DPhil Oxf, CPhys, MInstP: *Fellow and Tutor in Engineering Science* 

Dr Keith Buckler, BSc Lond, MA Oxf, PhD Newc: Fellow and Tutor in Medicine, Vice-President

**Professor Nick Barber**, BCL MA Oxf: Wyatt Rushton Fellow and Tutor in Law

Dr Kantik Ghosh, BA Calcutta, MPhil PhD Camb, MA Oxf: *Stirling-Boyd Fellow and Tutor in English* 

**Dr Stephen Fisher**, MA DPhil Oxf, MSc S'ton: *Fellow and Tutor in Politics*, *Dean* 

**Professor Peter McCulloch**, MB ChB Aberd, MA Oxf, MD Edin, FRCS, FRCS Glas: *Professor of Surgical Science and Practice* 

The Revd Canon Dr Emma Percy, BA Durh, MA Camb, MA Oxf, PhD Nott: *Chaplain* 

**Professor Johannes Zachhuber**, MA MSt DPhil Oxf, Dr theol. habil. Humboldt Berlin: *Fellow and Tutor in Theology* 

**Professor Stefano-Maria Evangelista**, BA East Ang, MA Lond, MA MSt DPhil Oxf: *Fellow and Tutor in English, Fellow Librarian* 

**Professor Marta Kwiatkowska**, BSc MSc Cracow, MA Oxf, PhD Leic, FRS: *Professor of Computing Systems*  **Professor James McDougall**, MA St And, MA MSt DPhil Oxf, FRHistS: *Laithwaite Fellow and Tutor in Modern History, Fellow Archivist* 

**Professor Valerie Worth**, MA DPhil PGCE Oxf: *Tutor for Graduates*, *Professor of French* 

**Professor Francis Barr**, BSc Lond, PhD EMBL Heidelberg: *E P Abraham Professor of Mechanistic Cell Biology* 

**Dr Paul Fairchild**, BA Leic, DPhil Oxf: *Fellow and Tutor in Pathology* 

**Dr Anil Gomes**, BA BPhil DPhil Oxf: *Fellow and Tutor in Philosophy* 

**Dr Gail Trimble**, MA MSt DPhil Oxf: Brown Fellow and Tutor in Classics, Dean of Degrees

Dr María del Pilar Blanco, BA William and Mary, MA PhD New York: Fellow and Tutor in Spanish, Equalities Fellow

**Dr Michael Moody,** BSc Adelaide, PhD South Australia: *Fellow and Tutor in Materials Science* 

**Professor Susan Perkin**, BA DPhil Oxf: *Fellow and Tutor in Physical Chemistry* 

**Professor Ian Hewitt**, MMath DPhil Oxf: Fellow and Tutor in Applied Mathematics

Mrs Sue Broers, BA PGCE Leeds, MA Oxf: Director of Development

**Professor Andrea Ferrero**, BA Bocconi, MSc Barcelona, MA Oxf, PhD New York: *Levine Fellow and Tutor in Economics*  **Professor Christopher Butler**, BA Rhodes, MB ChB Cape Town, DCH College of Medicine of South Africa, MRCGP, CCH Toronto, MD Wales, FRCGP, Hon FFPH, FMedSci: *Professor of Primary Healthcare* 

**Dr Melanie Rupflin**, DrSc DiplMath Zurich: *Fellow and Tutor in Pure Mathematics* 

**Professor Charlotte Williams**, OBE, BSc PhD Lond, FRS: *Fellow and Tutor in Chemistry (to July); Professor of Inorganic Chemistry (from July)* 

**Dr Luke Rostill**, BA BCL MPhil DPhil Oxf: *Fellow and Tutor in Property Law* 

Mr Chris Ferguson, BA Oxf, MSc Sur, ACMA: Estates Bursar

**Professor Katherine Ibbett**, BA Oxf, MA PhD Berkeley: *Caroline de Jager Fellow and Tutor in French, Chattels Fellow* 

Mrs Lynne Adam, BA Westmin: Domestic Bursar, Garden Fellow

**Dr Fanny Bessard**, BA MA Lyon, PhD Sorbonne: *Fellow and Tutor in Medieval Eurasian History* 

**Professor Geoffrey Batchen**, BA PhD Sydney: *Professor of the History of Art* 

**Dr Sam Vinko**, BSc MSc URTV, DPhil Oxf: *Fellow and Tutor Physics* 

Dr Rebecca Bullard, BA DPhil Oxf, MPhil Camb: Senior Tutor

## Senior Research Fellow

**Professor Janet Pierrehumbert**, BA Harvard, PhD MIT: *Professor of Language Modelling* 

## **Research Fellow**

Dr Beatrice Groves, BA Camb, MSt DPhil Oxf: English

## **Junior Research Fellows**

Dr Karol Mazur<sup>\*</sup>, BA SGH Warsaw, MSc HIS Vienna, PhD EUI: *Economics* 

Dr Yasser Kureshi, BA Pennsylvania, MA PhD Brandeis, JD Boston Law: *Law* 

Dr Lucy Powell, BA Birm, MA McGill, PhD UCL: *English* 

*†Also a Lecturer in the same subject* 

## **Career Development Fellow**

Dr Christopher Fowles, BPhil DPhil Oxf, BA York, MA KCL: *Philosophy* 

## Honorary Visiting Fellows

**Professor Dame Sally Davies**, GCB DBE, MB ChB Manc, MSc Lond, FRS, Master of Trinity College, Cambridge

Mrs Mica Ertegun, CBE, Founder of the University of Oxford Ertegun Graduate Scholarship Programme

**Professor Maxim Vengerov,** Menuhin Professor of Music; Goodwill Ambassador, UNICEF; Artist in Residence, Oxford Philharmonic Orchestra

Judge Theodor Meron, CMG, LLM PhD Harvard, United Nations War Crimes Tribunal Judge and Visiting Professor of International Criminal Law, Oxford University (elected Honorary Fellow in November)

## Lecturers 2021-22<sup>‡</sup>

Dr Tom Ainsworth, BA BPhil DPhil Oxf: *Philosophy* 

Dr Aurelia Annat, BA York, PGCE MA Lond, DPhil Oxf: *History* 

Dr Richard Ashdowne, MA MPhil DPhil Oxf: *Linguistics* 

Dr Raquel Barradas de Freitas, BA Universidade Nova de Lisboa, MSt DPhil Oxf: *Law* 

Dr Vanessa Berenguer-Rico, BS Barcelona, MS PhD Charles III Madrid: *Economics* 

Dr Andrea Bernini, BSc Nottingham, MPhil DPhil Oxf: *Economics* 

**Dr Sophie Chandler-Millington**, BPTC University of Law, BA BCL DPhil Oxf: *Law* 

Mr Hugh Collins Rice, BA MLitt Oxf, MA Sus: *Music* 

Dr Greg Colyer, MA DPhil Oxf, MA Camb: *Physics* 

Dr Anna Crysostomides, BA University of Mary Washington, MA Temple University, MPhil DPhil Oxf: *Theology* 

Dr Tamás Dávid-Barrett, MA Budapest, MPhil Camb, PhD Lond: *Economics* 

Mr Maximilian Doré, BSc RWTH Aachen University, MA Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich: *Computer Science* 

Ms Meredith Ellis, MMath Oxf: *Mathematics* 

**Dr Julian Fells**, BEng UCL, PhD Bath: *Engineering* 

Ms Melanie Florence, BA MPhil Oxf: French

Dr Jessica Frazier, BA PhD Camb, MSt Oxf: Theology

Dr Lydia Gilday, MChem DPhil Oxf: *Chemistry* 

Dr Guadalupe Gerardi, Letras Buenos Aires, Lic Complutense Madrid, PhD UCL: Career Development Lecturer, Spanish

Dr Cosima Gilhammer, MA Munich, DPhil Oxf: English

Dr Matthew Golesworthy, MChem DPhil Oxf: *Chemistry* 

Dr Peter Haarer, BA Brist, DPhil Oxf: Ancient History

Mr Alexander Haas, BSc Tuebingen, MPhil Oxf: *Economics* 

Dr Francesco Hautmann, PhD Florence: *Physics* 

Dr Rhiannon Heard, MEng DPhil Oxf: *Engineering Science* 

Dr Daniel Herskowitz, BA Open University of Israel, MA The Hebrew University, DPhil Oxf: *Theology* 

Dr Anna Hoerder-Suabedissen, BSc Lanc, MSc DPhil Oxf: Medicine

**Dr Felix Hofmann**, MEng DPhil Oxf: *Engineering* 

Dr Sinéad Hofmann, BSc NUI, PhD Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies, MSc Oxf: *Mathematics*  Dr Chris Horton, BA BM BCh Oxf: *Medicine* 

Dr Sarah Jenkinson, MChem DPhil Oxf: *Chemistry* 

**Dr Alexandros Kampakoglou**, BA Thessaloniki, MSt DPhil Oxf: *Research Lecturer, Classics* 

Dr Adrian Kendal, MA BMBCh DPhil Oxf, FRCS Ortho: *Medicine* 

Dr James Larkin, MBiochem Oxf, PhD Warw: *Biochemistry* 

Dr Sarah Larkin, MBiochem Oxf, PhD Warwick: *Medicine* 

Dr Dorota Leczykiewicz, MSt DPhil Oxf, MLaw Wrocław: *Law* 

Mlle Marie Léger, Lic MA Grenoble: *French* 

Dr Clare Lyle, BSc McGill University, DPhil Oxf: Computer Science

Dr Charlotte Lynch, MEng DPhil Oxf: *Materials* 

Dr Pierre Lyraud, BA MA PhD Sorbonne: *French* 

Dr Mark McAllister, MEng PhD Edin: *Engineering Science* 

Dr Mary McMenamin, BSc PhD Queen's University Belfast, Dip DipLATHE Oxf: *Medicine* 

Dr Alessio Mansutti, BSc MSc University of Udine, PhD ENS Paris-Saclay: *Computer Science* 

**Professor Emeritus Peter Mirfield**, BCL, MA Oxf: *Law* 

Mr Daniel Moss, MMath Camb: Probability & Statistics

Professor Lynda Mugglestone, MA DPhil Oxf: English

Dr Anna Paradis, BA MA University of Barcelona, PhD Autonomous University of Barcelona: *Spanish* 

Dr Claudia Pazos-Alonso, MA Lond, MA DPhil Oxf: Portuguese

Dr Duncan Robertson, BSc Imp Lond, MA DPhil Oxf: *Management* 

Dr Anca Popescu, BSc TU Bucharest, PhD Camb: *Engineering* 

Mlle Ysaline Rossi, BA Grenoble: *French* 

Dr Helen Scott, BA LLB Cape Town, BCL MPhil DPhil Oxf: *Law* 

Dr Elina Screen, BA MPhil PhD Camb: *History* 

Dr Andrew Seel, MChem DPhil Oxf: *Chemistry* 

Dr Dean Sheppard, MChem DPhil Oxf: *Chemistry* 

Mr Dylan Sherman, BSc BLaw University of Sydney, PGDip College of Law: Engineering Science

Dr Hannah Smith, BA MPhil PhD Camb: *History* 

Dr Susannah Speller, MEng DPhil Oxf: *Materials* 

Dr John Stanley, MA DPhil Oxf: Biochemistry

Dr Pierre Vila, BA BM BCh Oxf: *Medicine* 

**Dr Robert Watt**, BA BPhil DPhil Oxf: *Political Theory* 

Mrs Renée Williams, MA Oxf, L es L Paris: French

**Professor James Worrell**, BA DPhil Oxf: Computer Science

*‡Names are listed of the Lecturers who have taught for the whole academic year; the college gratefully acknowledges the contribution of all Lecturers during the year.* 

## Emeritus, Honorary and Sir Thomas Pope Fellows 2021-22

## **Emeritus Fellows**

Dr Michael Brown, BSc MA DM Oxf

Dr Peter Carey, MBE, MA DPhil Oxf

Mr Jack Collin, MB BS Newc, MD Oxf, FRCS

Professor Russell Egdell, MA DPhil Oxf

Dr Clive Griffin, MA DPhil Oxf

**Professor Gus Hancock**, MA Dub, MA Oxf, PhD Camb

Dr Dorothy Horgan, MA PhD Manc, MA Oxf

Mr Michael Inwood, MA Oxf (*ob. December* 2021)

Dr Michael Jenkins, BSc Brist, MA DPhil Oxf

**Professor Jonathan Mallinson**, MA Phd Camb, MA Oxf Dr Alan Milner, OBE, LLB PhD Leeds, MA Oxf, LLM Yale

**Professor Kim Nasmyth**, BA York, MA Oxf, PhD Edin, FRS

Mr Michael Poyntz, MA Oxf

Dr Chris Prior, MA PhD Camb, MA DPhil Oxf

**Professor Simon Salamon**, MA DPhil Oxf

Professor George Smith, MA DPhil Oxf, FRS

Mr Frank Thompson, BSc Lond, MA Oxf

**Professor Bryan Ward-Perkins**, MA DPhil Oxf

## Honorary Fellows

**Professor Simon Armitage**, CBE, BA Port, MA Manc, Hon DLitt Hudd, Hon DLitt Leeds, Hon DLitt Port, Hon DLitt Shef Hallam, DUniv Open, FRSL, Hon FBA

The Rt Revd John Arnold, MA Oxf, Barrister at Law, JCD

The Hon Michael J Beloff, KC, MA Oxf, Hon DLaws Buck, Hon DLaws De Mont, Hon DLitt Fairleigh Dickinson, Hon DUniv Open, FASS, FICPD, FRSA

Mr Richard Bernays, MA Oxf

**Professor Dinah Birch**, CBE, MA DPhil Oxf, FEA

#### **FELLOWS & LECTURERS**

Mr Julian (Toby) Blackwell, DL, Hon DLitt Robt Gor, DUniv Sheff Hallam, Hon DBA Oxf Brookes

Sir Hugo Brunner, KCVO, JP, Order of St Frideswide, MA Oxf

Sir Charles Chadwyck-Healey, Bt, MA Oxf

Sir Anthony Cleaver, MA Oxf, FRCM, Hon FREng

**Professor Craig Clunas**, BA Camb, MA Oxf, PhD Lond, Hon DLitt Warw, Hon DLitt Courtauld, FBA

Professor Paul Collier, CBE, MA DPhil Oxf

Mr Geoffrey de Jager, LLB Natal, BCom DLitt Rhodes

Professor Martin Goodman, MA DPhil DLitt Oxf, FBA

Sir Charles Gray, QC, MA Oxf (*ob. March* 2022)

Professor Sir Malcolm Green, BM BCh BSc MA DM Oxf, FRCP, FMed Sci

Sir Christopher Hogg, MA Oxf (*ob. December* 2021)

Sir Brian Jenkins, GBE, MA Oxf, FCA, FRSA

**Professor Martin Kemp**, MA Camb, MA Oxf, Hon DLitt Heriot-Watt, FRSA, HRSA, FBA, FRSE, Hon RIAS, FRSSU

Mr Peter Levine, MA Oxf

Professor Sir Andrew McMichael, MA BChir MB Camb, PhD Lond, FRS

Ms Kate Mavor, MA Oxf, DUniv

Judge Theodor Meron, CMG, LLM PhD Harvard, United Nations War Crimes Tribunal Judge and Visiting Professor of International Criminal Law, Oxford University (*from November*)

The Revd Professor John Morrill, MA DPhil Oxf, FBA, FRHistS

Mr John Pattisson, MA Oxf (ob. September 2022)

Mr Stephen Pearson, MA Oxf

Sir Michael Peat, KCVO, MA Oxf, MBA, FCA

Sir Ivor Roberts, KCMG, MA Oxf, FCIL

The Rt Revd Anthony John Russell, BA Durh, DPhil Oxf, FRAgS

Mr Wafic Saïd, Ordre de Mérite du Cedre, Ordre Chérifien

Professor David Sedley, MA Oxf, PhD Lond, FBA

Professor David Soskice, MA Oxf, FBA

**Professor Sir Edwin Southern**, BSc Manc, MA Oxf, PhD Glas, FRS

The Rt Revd David Stancliffe, MA Oxf, Hon DLitt Port, FRSCM

Sir Peter Stothard, MA Oxf

The Lord Tyrie, PC, MA Oxf

## Sir Thomas Pope Fellows

Mr Peter Andreae, DL, MA Oxf

Mr Perry Crosthwaite, MA Oxf

Mr Simon Edelsten, MA Oxf, and Mrs Alison Edelsten, MA Oxf

Sir Roger Fry, CBE, BD Lond, Hon DLitt Port, AKC, FRSA

Mr Wyatt Haskell, BA JD AB Amherst, LLB Yale Law School

Mr Adrian Hohler, MA Oxf

Mr Robert Hunt-Grubbe, MA Camb, and Mrs Julia Hunt-Grubbe

Mr Roger Michel, BA MA Williams, MA JD Harvard, MPhil Oxf

Mr Robert Parker, CB, MA Oxf, MCMI, FRSA

Mr Richard Setchim, MA Oxf

Mr John Singer, MA Oxf, MBA INSEAD

Dato' Robert Kim Kuan Tan and Dato' Soo Min Yeoh

Dr Trudy Watt, BSc Open, MA DPhil Oxf, MSc Shef Hallam

## SUCCESSES AND DISTINCTION

The end of the academic year saw the retirement of Peter Read, Fellow and Tutor in Physics, and the Chaplain, Emma Percy.

**Peter Read** joined Trinity from the Meteorological Office in 1991 as the Tutorial Fellow in Physics. His service over three decades has seen both the growth and strengthening of Physics within the college, and the burgeoning of atmospheric physics and climate science within the Physics department.

Peter's arrival heralded a new era for Physics at Trinity. Under his leadership both the undergraduate and graduate student cohorts were increased, and he persuaded the college to take on a second Physics Fellow. Whilst academic performance is only one measure of success, over Peter's tenure as senior Physics Fellow the subject has consistently produced outstanding results.

Within the Physics department he has held many prominent roles, including being head of the subdepartment of Atmospheric, Oceanic and Planetary Physics, and more recently the joint chair of the Oxford-Met Office Academic Partnership, focussing on various aspects of climate science and its applications. He has also been one of the main promoters of the undergraduate teaching of climate-related physics in Oxford, including organising the



Peter Read

departmental 4th-year specialist course in this important and topical area. He was awarded the title of Professor in the 2002 Recognition of Distinction awards.

Peter's particular research interests are in planetary atmospheres, and within the department he has led the Geophysical and Astrophysical Fluid Dynamics group. He is editor in chief of the Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Planetary Science. His renowned expertise has been honoured by several prestigious prizes and memberships: he is a fellow of both the Royal Astronomical Society and of the Royal Meteorological Society, and in 2016 he won the esteemed Lewis Frv Richardson Medal from the European Geosciences Union. This award recognised Peter's immense contributions to understanding the atmospheres of planets via both computer simulations and by performing laboratory-based experiments that incorporate analogues of the fundamental physical processes at play. His research has led to unique insights into such diverse phenomena as the stability of Jupiter's Great Red Spot, why global dust storms form in some years on Mars, but not on others, and why the stratosphere of Saturn at its north pole forms a giant hexagon shape.

As well as his numerous achievements in Physics, Peter has made immense contributions to the wider life of Trinity. He has held the office of Vice-President twice (2005-2006, 2015-2016), as well as taking on the roles of Welfare Dean and Dean, and even a short interregnum spell as Senior Tutor. His contributions to music at Trinity as the Senior Member of the Music Society have been particularly appreciated. His measured, calm approach to issues, be they thorny physics problems that outwit the unwary undergraduate, or contentious matters set before Governing Body, has consistently displayed his underlying gentle-yet-firm wisdom

which is much valued by his tutees and colleagues alike.

The Governing Body was delighted to elect Peter to an Emeritus Fellowship, and we look forward to him joining us regularly in the SCR.

Emma Percy joined Trinity in October 2005 as Fellow and Chaplain. The post was decoupled from the Tutorial Fellowship in Theology after the retirement of her predecessor, Trevor Williams, but the further particulars specified a particular interest in 'applications from persons who will themselves be undertaking doctoral or other research or scholarship during their chaplaincy.' Emma completed her own PhD in 2011—subsequently published by Ashgate, Mothering as a Metaphor for Ministry (2014) and has become a leading authority. much sought after for workshops, on thinking about mothering to explore value responsiveness in parish ministry.

Emma's appointment was also a historic moment in that she became Trinity's first female chaplain. When she celebrated her 25 years of ministry at a service in the chapel in 2019, it was very moving for younger members of the congregation to hear the testimonies of others ordained together with Emma, in the spring of 1994, as the first generation of women priests in the Church of England. From 2016, Emma has been the chair of WATCH (Women and the Church), a national organisation working actively for gender justice, equality and inclusion in the Church of England.



Emma Percy

Emma is used to speaking up for gender justice and ensuring women's voices are heard, and her resilience was especially important in her first years at Trinity when there were no female Tutorial Fellows—a situation which now appears unthinkable, but in the transformation of which Emma was very practically supportive. Her recent role as Equalities Fellow also ensured that on Governing Body and throughout College events diversity has been valued and thought about.

The role of chaplain embraces the pastoral care of all Fellows, Lecturers, students and staff of the college, and Emma has given unstintingly over her 17 years to all these groups, including conducting many services for Old Members. Between 2008-2020, Emma also served as Welfare Dean, an increasingly demanding role. Her good practical sense and willingness to work with individuals who sought her advice, helped many a student complete their degree when, in the stress of their final term, they-and sometimes their families—wondered if they would. As Chaplain, she has nurtured each generation of the non-auditioned-but very goodchapel choir, supported successive student organ scholars in finding their professional musical feet, and made the chapel a place where students of all faiths and none are welcome to drop in and find a moment of quiet. For staff and academics, she has been generously available to share times of happiness and grief, and simply made time to talk to everyone as she walked through College.

When the chapel underwent extensive and beautiful restoration (2015-16), Emma both contributed to the planning of the works, and ensured that the chapel community could exist in a temporary location; similarly, in the Covid closures of 2020 and 2021, she provided online services—in collaboration (virtually) with choir and organ scholars—so that the heart of Trinity Chapel could continue to beat.

We shall miss Emma immensely, but she will leave our community the stronger for her many contributions. We wish her very well on the next stage of her professional life, as she takes up the post of senior lecturer in Feminist Theology and Ministry Studies at the University of Aberdeen, and hope it brings her back frequently to see her friends at Trinity. Karol Mazur completed his Junior Research Fellowship in Economics this year and has moved to Shenzhen to take up a tenure-track assistant professorship in economics at Peking University HSBC Business School, where he will continue his research and teach graduate students.

Over the last year he continued his work on the analysis of education and agricultural policies in both developed and developing countries. Results of this research were presented at several conferences and



Karol Mazur

seminars. He also taught with success an elective class on macroeconomics of development to MPhil students in the Department of Economics.

Karol will look back fondly on his time spent at Trinity and in Oxford, recalling that he has 'met many brilliant people, participated in many interesting college events, successfully further developed my academic portfolio, and got to practice rowing with the Boat Club.'

## **The President**

Hilary Boulding continued to serve as chair of the Conference of Colleges College Contribution Fund Committee. An undoubted highlight of the year, as chair of the University's chamber choir Schola Cantorum, was a 60th anniversary reunion that brought together over 100 former members for a performance of Bach's B Minor Mass, in the Town Hall. She served on the nominations committees to recruit the successor to Professor Louise Richardson as Vice Chancellor. as well as the first director of the Humanities Cultural Programme for the Schwarzman Centre for the Humanities, which is scheduled to open in 2025.

## **Biochemistry**

John Stanley has retired after twentyseven years teaching biochemistry at Trinity. When John joined us, he was still an active researcher, but four years later he started his own consultancy that left him free to take on as much teaching as he wished. This earned him a huge amount of goodwill in other colleges, whose tutors in turn taught for him and which dramatically improved the Trinity Biochemistry tutorial programme. Trinity has always attracted a considerably larger number of applicants than other colleges. This wide choice of applicants, plus the quality of the tutorial programme, combined to propel Trinity to the top of the rankings in Biochemistry as judged

by examination results. John will now devote his time to his family, to his research on the history of County Durham, and to climbing as many hills in the Lake District as he can before his legs give out.

## Chemistry

Susan Perkin started work on an ERC-funded project about ionic fluids. Laboratory experiments performed by new team members are underway to investigate the origin of anomalous long-range interactions in highly concentrated electrolytes. and the role of zwitterions in tuning the properties of naturally occurring osmolytes. She published several articles, including a review of field effect on friction in Nature Materials. During the year. Susan presented work at conferences and seminars in Germany, Israel, Australia, and France (all online). She gave undergraduate lectures on States of Matter and Statistical Mechanics: happily, these were back in the lecture theatre.

Charlotte Williams published 15 papers covering carbon dioxide utilisation, plastic recycling, polymers for solid state lithium ion batteries, recycling elastics, degradable plastics and catalysis. This summer, she was awarded the Royal Society Leverhulme Medal for her work on catalysis and sustainable polymer chemistry. She presented plenary lectures at the Bordeaux International Polymer Conference, the UK Catalysis Conference and the International Symposium on Homogeneous Catalysis. Charlotte presented her work on carbon dioxide utilisation at COP-26 in the UK Pavilion and her materials featured in the London Design Museum Exhibition 'Waste Age'. She is co-director of an Innovation Centre for Advanced Sustainable Technologies—the centre involves the redevelopment of Brunel's carriage-works in Swindon and, in partnership with local companies, seeks to accelerate technology translation.

### **Classics and Ancient History**

Gail Trimble enjoyed seeing Trinity Classics return to in-person normality, with play-readings, and a 'catchup' Mods dinner for those who missed out in 2020 and 2021. She became Trinity's Dean of Degrees and presented graduands at several 'catch-up' graduations. Her research was focused on writing papers for celebratory conferences in honour of former tutors and supervisors, and included work on Virgil's Aeneid, on relations between Roman poets, and on Alexander Pope. She is now the schools liaison officer for the Faculty of Classics, while in college outreach the OxLAT Extension Programme in Classics and the Ancient World is enjoying continuing success.

**Peter Haarer** is leaving Trinity after seven years as lecturer. Looking back, he has enjoyed teaching some excellent students, and has been delighted whenever he has seen someone progress on to graduate work. Satisfactions have ranged from instituting visiting speakers in Classics or the ever-popular play readings, or part-hosting the Practical Epigraphy Workshop in College. However, the achievement of which he is most proud is the OxLAT Extension Programme, set up with the support of Gail Trimble, who he is pleased will be carrying this important work forward. He hopes to continue with teaching and research, including further archaeological fieldwork.

## **Computing Science**

Marta Kwiatkowska and her team have joined the European Lighthouse on Secure and Safe AI (ELSA) project as associate partners. ELSA networks excellent researchers from 26 top research institutions and companies in Europe to pool their expertise in the field of AI and machine learning. This three-year project will focus on developing robust technical approaches that are compatible with legal and ethical principles.

## Engineering

For **Steve Sheard**, the start of this academic year coincided with the end of a productive sabbatical. He enjoyed making progress on two long- term research projects and completed well-overdue updates to several undergraduate courses. Despite the change in pace, he was looking forward to some tutorial teaching.

## English

Kantik Ghosh gave a keynote talk entitled 'Radical Perplexity in Later Medieval England' at the 15th Congress of the Société Internationale pour l'Étude de la Philosophie Médiévale (SIEPM) in Paris. He has been elected a corresponding fellow of the Centre for Medieval Studies, Institute of Philosophy, Czech Academy of Sciences.

**Cosima Gillhammer**'s critical edition of one of Trinity's very own medieval manuscripts has been published.



The volume 1 cover of Cosima Gillhammer's critical edition of one of Trinity's medieval manuscripts

A Late-Medieval History of the Ancient and Biblical World is available in two volumes (Middle English Texts, Winter, 2022) and contains a full edition and analysis of this 15th-century history of the world, contained in Trinity College, MS 29.

### History

James McDougall continued to serve as Director of Graduate Studies in the History Faculty, in which capacity he was consistently impressed by the resilience and inventiveness of DPhil students working through the adversities of the pandemic. In December, he gave (online) the Society for Libyan Studies' annual lecture, normally delivered at the British Academy, but papers for the World History seminar at Cambridge in February, and the conference on Bourdieu and History at Oxford's Maison Française in March, were delivered in person. He will be taking a leave of absence in 2022-23 and looks forward to getting some writing done.

## Law

Nick Barber published *The United Kingdom Constitution: An Introduction* with Oxford University Press. This monograph examines the structures and principles of the UK constitution, locating them within their historical, social, and political contexts.

Luke Rostill co-organised the Modern Studies in Property Law Conference,

which took place in March and included contributions from Lord Sales JSC, Law Commissioner Sarah Green, and academics and practitioners from around the world. His second article with Professor Charles Mitchell KC was published in the *Cambridge Law Journal*, and he published a case note on R v Seed (better known as Basil, one of the ringleaders of the Hatton Garden heist) in the *Law Quarterly Review*.

## **Materials Science**

**Susie Speller** published a new book based on her research over the past 20 years that introduces the fascinating world of superconducting materials to non-expert readers: *A Materials Science Guide to Superconductors: and how to make them super* (OUP, 2022).

## **Mathematics**

Ian Hewitt enjoyed the return to in-person teaching, and continues to be inspired by how students have risen to the challenges of remote and uncertain learning conditions. Along with his research group and colleagues at the Geological Survey of Denmark and Greenland he has published work on glacial sliding, and on estimating the rate of ice melting from beneath the Greenland ice sheet. He has been glad to return to northern Italy to teach at the International Summer School on Ice Sheets and Glaciers in the Climate System. In the University's annual Recognition of Distinction



Melanie Rupflin

programme, Ian was awarded the title of Professor of Applied Mathematics.

Melanie Rupflin started a new research project in which she aims to prove quantitative estimates for geometric variational problems that describe in which way objects with nearly minimal energy must be close to actual energy minimisers. With in-person conferences starting up again in the summer she enjoyed the renewed possibility of discussing and presenting her research at workshops in the UK, the US and Italy, as well as providing courses at summer schools for young researchers in Germany and the UK. For her undergraduate teaching in Oxford she received an MPLS Divisional Teaching Award.

#### FELLOWS' & LECTURERS' NEWS

### **Medicine and Physiology**

Frances Ashcroft was awarded the Banting Medal for Scientific Achievement by the American Diabetes Association and gave the Banting lecture at its annual meeting. She is only the fifth woman to be awarded the medal in its more than 80 year history. She was appointed a member of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority by the Cabinet Office. She sat on the Balzan Prize Committee and the Scientific Advisory Board of the Lund Diabetes Centre. She greatly enjoyed serving on the college's Garden Committee.

Peter McCulloch's IDEAL research team achieved the unusual distinction this spring of publishing a landmark paper simultaneously in *Nature* Medicine and the British Medical Journal. They reported their new guidance for scientists and doctors testing Artificial Intelligence (AI) applications in healthcare. Prior to these DECIDE-AI guidelines, there was no 'road map' for conducting the early stages of clinical research on AI. For his research programme on patient safety (RESPOND), Peter got to interview the legendary All Blacks captain Dan Carter about building teams, for a project on adopting lessons from sports and military training to improve healthcare teamwork training.

**Chris Butler** is the chief investigator of the UK-wide The Platform Randomised trial of treatmeNts in



Members of Chris Butler's PRINCIPLE study team, socially distancing at Green Templeton College

the Community for epidemic and Pandemic iLlnEsses (PRINCIPLE) and the Platform Adaptive trial of Novel antiviRals for eArly treatment of COVID-19 in the Community (PANORAMIC). Between them, these controlled trials have randomised over 37,000 people with COVID-19, testing nine treatments for use in the community early on in the illness. Findings from the studies are helping to improve the quality of care for people with Covid around the world.

#### **Modern Languages and Linguistics**

Martin Maiden co-edited and contributed to The Cambridge Handbook of Romance Linguistics (2022), and produced a number of articles, including some on lesserknown languages of the Adriatic area, such as Dalmatian and Istro-Romanian. He also collaborated with colleagues in Croatia to mount a museum exhibition in Novigrad. Croatia, on Oxford's research into the history of the Istro-Romanian language. He has, in addition, been leading a Leverhulme-funded research project on the history of mathematical terminology in medieval Italy.

This was María del Pilar Blanco's second year as Academic Champion for Networks, Programmes, and International Partnerships at TORCH (The Oxford Research Centre in the Humanities), a position that has kept her busy, alongside her duties in the Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages. In Trinity term, she was awarded a Knowledge Exchange fellowship for a collaborative project with colleagues at Oxford Brookes University and the Unlock the Chains Theatre Collective, titled 'Finding Our Way: Space, Restitution, and the Afro-Caribbean Experience in Oxford'. In September, and thanks to a British Academy/Leverhulme small research grant, María travelled to Puerto Rico to begin research for her third book project, on childhood and health in the Spanish Caribbean after the US invasion.

Katherine Ibbett has been on leave funded by a Leverhulme Research Fellowship, drafting *Liquid Empire*, a book about rivers in early modern France and its colonial projects. Mostly she wrote at home in Oxford, not far from the Thames, but there was also a month in Paris and a fortnight in Senegal for research in libraries and museums, and she has been very happy to take up such trips again, with room for contemplating rivers from the Seine to the Senegal along the way.

This year, her last at Trinity, Alexandra Lloyd continued her



Katherine Ibbett's research has taken her from her writing about rivers at home, not far from the Thames, to Senegal, where she could contemplate the Senegal River, above

research on the anti-Nazi resistance group 'The White Rose' (*die Weiße Rose*). In February she published *Defying Hitler: The White Rose Pamphlets* (Bodleian, 2022), and she has given talks at the Oxford Literary Festival and the Chalke Valley History Festival, and appeared on History Hit's *Warfare* podcast. At the beginning of the year, Alex became the new convenor of the TORCH Comics Network, hosting a series of talks and workshops by international comics scholars. Valerie Worth stepped down from the role of Senior Tutor in October 2021, and while continuing in the smaller role of Fellow and Tutor for Graduates has greatly enjoyed welcoming her successor as Senior Tutor, Rebecca Bullard. One highlight was a special archival exhibition on the past Senior Tutors of Trinity, curated by archivist Clare Hopkins, and attended by four other previous Senior Tutors. While continuing her research in early modern French, Valerie was delighted to accept the invitation to present a session of Trinity Tomes to discuss her translation of Agrippa d'Aubigné's epic poem of 1616, *Les Tragiques*, and was especially thrilled that some of her French students at Trinity from the 1980s joined the zoom session (available at youtube.com/ watch?v=L5jOlbConig).

#### Philosophy

Anil Gomes continues to work on philosophical issues related to selfconsciousness and objectivity. He had a paper on Kant published in *The Philosophical Review* and a paper on Iris Murdoch published in a new collection of essays on her philosophical significance. He was a guest on BBC Radio 4's *In Our Time* talking about Iris Murdoch's philosophical work and reviewed a number of philosophy books for the *Guardian*, including a recent translation of Wittgenstein's private wartime diaries.

#### **Politics**

Stephen Fisher was given the title Professor of Political Sociology in the University's Recognition of Distinction exercise, and was 'Highly Commended' in the ESRC IAA O<sup>2</sup>RB Excellence in Impact Awards 2021 for 'influencing public and government awareness of climate change attitudes through global media engagement'. He published research on the 2019 general election showing the Conservatives would have won a majority of over 100 had there been



Stephen Fisher, third from left, with departmental colleagues Dan Snow, Martha Kirby and Zack Grant at the ESRC IAA O<sup>2</sup>RB Excellence in Impact Awards ceremony (Photo: John Cairns)

no candidates from the Brexit Party. Among other things, he also published pieces on the widespread public support for the 2050 net-zero target, the progress made by the Labour party at the local elections, and the travails of the Conservative Party in mid-2022. This was Stephen's second year as Dean, and twentieth as the Fellow and Tutor in Politics.

#### **Physics**

Peter Read marked his 30th year, and also his last, as Physics tutor at Trinity and was pleased to return from sabbatical leave to teaching in person. He gave invited talks on his research on atmospheric turbulence at the Isaac Newton Institute in Cambridge and at a conference on Modern Mathematics for Complex Systems in London, and presented new results on observations of Martian dust storms at a conference in Paris. He was also an invited participant at a special workshop in Pasadena, USA, to discuss future plans for NASA's Juno space mission, currently making measurements of the deep circulation of Jupiter's atmosphere.

Justin Wark was one of a large international team of authors of a paper in *Physical Review Letters* that reported the first controlled nuclear fusion experiment, using laser indirect drive, to attain the so-called 'Lawson criterion' (the point when a heavyhydrogen plasma ignites and burns). Whilst the approach is certainly a very long way from being practical for fusion energy applications, this work demonstrates that the ignition threshold is real, largely consistent with theoretical expectations, and that a laboratory or reactor-scale plasma can be ignited. In connection with this work he visited Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in California, where the experiments were performed, as part of his role as a member of a Review Committee that makes recommendations on the overall experimental programme. During the year he also published a paper entitled 'Femtosecond diffraction and dynamic high pressure science' in Journal of Applied Physics,



Sam Vinko

which is a review of the work performed in a related field in which he has been working for most of his scientific career. The paper outlines the history and current status of how solids can be compressed within billionths of a second to pressures comparable to those extant within planetary interiors, and the structure and properties of the resultant matter probed with extremely short bursts of ultra-intense x-rays, thus informing us about places in the Universe to which we can never go.

Sam Vinko was invited to deliver a plenary talk at the 48th European Conference on Plasma Physics, which he sincerely hopes will be the last of a long string of virtual conferences that have become synonymous with the pandemic era. He has secured substantial funding from the Royal Society and the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council to continue to advance his work on exploring the properties of matter in extreme conditions.

### Theology

This year, a number of **Johannes Zachhuber**'s research projects came to fruition. In March, Bloomsbury published an anthology from the works of F C Baur, an important 19th-century theologian and scholar of religion. In June, *Time and Soul: From Aristotle to St Augustine* (Chronoi, 2022), came out, a short book offering an account of discussions about the subjective aspect



Daniel Herskowitz won the Salo W and Jeannette M Baron Young Scholars award

of time in antiquity. Meanwhile, Johannes has enjoyed the transition back to more normal life at Oxford with in-person tutorials, dinners, and receptions. It was excellent to catch up with students, colleagues, and friends.

Daniel Herskowitz, British Academy Postdoctoral Fellow at the Faculty of Theology and Religion and retained Lecturer at Trinity, has been awarded The Salo W and Jeannette M Baron Young Scholars awards for Scholarly Excellence in Research of the Jewish Experience for his book, *Heidegger and His Jewish Reception* (Cambridge, 2021).

#### SENIOR TUTOR'S REPORT

# On new beginnings

**Rebecca Bullard** Senior Tutor



y first year in post as Senior Tutor reminds me in some respects of my first year as a student at Oxford, some quarter of a century ago.

I arrived at Trinity in September 2021, a rather nervous 'fresher', hoping that I'd be able to keep up with the work and that I'd encounter some friendly faces. In place of tutorials. I had Governing Body meetings to prepare for, and instead of essays, academic policies and reports on exams and admissions to write. New students always learn from those in older vears, and I too have been fortunate to benefit from the enormously generous guidance and support of my forbears as Senior Tutor, Trudy Watt and (especially) Valerie Worth. My first year seems to have passed in a flash, and yet Trinity feels in a very deep sense like home—another characteristic of the Oxford experience that I recall from my student days.

I feel fortunate to have arrived at Trinity as we were emerging out of the worst of the pandemic. At the start of Michaelmas term, much teaching was still taking place online and some



Rebecca Bullard, left, with representatives of the JCR waiting to meet the then Prince of Wales at the opening of the Levine Building in May

of our international students found it impossible to come into residence in Oxford. By the end of the year, most of our students had taken in-person public exams (with a few subjects opting to retain online ones) and the finalists of 2020 and 2021 had graduated in person.

The opening of the Levine Building in Hilary term added to the optimistic sense of new beginnings. Many students have loved working in the sociable surroundings of the Café and the quieter library mezzanine; the de Jager Auditorium has hosted invigorating academic events and conferences; and the teaching rooms have been in constant use since January.

#### **Appointments and farewells**

It was a bumper year for academic appointments, as we recruited two new Tutorial Fellows to start in Michaelmas term 2022: Dr Alison Andrew from the Institute for Fiscal Studies has been elected Tutorial Fellow in Economics. and Professor Dave Parker, of the University of Birmingham, Tutorial Fellow in Computer Science. We have made a number of early career appointments, including three Junior Research Fellows funded by the college, Dr Gautam Gurung in Physics, Dr Pranjal Dutta in Computer Science, and Dr Meia Walravens in History, and two Career Development Fellows, Zoe Walker (formerly of Pembroke College, Cambridge) and Dr Katherine

Backler (from All Souls College), who will combine teaching and research in Philosophy and in Ancient History, respectively. We are delighted that two Tutorial Fellows who are moving to department-only senior research posts will remain part of the Trinity community, Professor Charlotte Williams (Chemistry) as Professorial Fellow, and Professor Andrea Ferrero (Economics) as Senior Research Fellow.

This year, we said a fond farewell to a number of tutors of very long standing. Professor Peter Read retires, having served Trinity as Tutorial Fellow in Physics since 1991 (a tribute to him appears on page 9). Together with our other Tutorial Fellows in Physics, Justin Wark and Sam Vinko, Peter has contributed to the outstanding academic record of Physics at Trinity. We are also grateful for the long and distinguished service of two of our retiring lecturers, Dr John Stanley, who has taught Biochemistry at Trinity since 1995, and Mrs Renée Williams, lecturer in French since 1994. We wish them well for the future and thank them for their dedication to generations of students at Trinity.

## **Undergraduates**

Trinity's undergraduate students have shown great courage and resilience following more than two years of pandemic-related disruption. Of the 79 students who sat finals, 21 achieved a first, 52 a 2.1 and five a 2.2. There were some very notable individual performances, including a Gibbs Prize for the top-ranked candidates in Biochemistry and in Economics & Management, and a Gibbs Prize for excellent performance in the dissertation in Mathematics. Trinity students were in the top five in the cohort for both PPE and Classics (Lit Hum). These are remarkable achievements for a cohort with relatively little experience of public examinations at Oxford, many exams having been cancelled in 2020 because of the pandemic.

#### Graduates

Graduate students are under the academic care of Valerie Worth, who is now our Tutor for Graduates. She reports that by the end of 2021-22 we have, thankfully, seen a return to 'normal' pre-pandemic study conditions for graduates. Nonetheless, for those on DPhil courses, the loss of access to labs, archives and libraries (not to mention seminars and conferences) over the Covid period still needs to be factored into expectations. Accordingly, the college played its part financially alongside the University's Covid funds for DPhil students who particularly needed some extra time.

Like all colleges, we continue to admit slightly more masters' than DPhil students annually, reflecting the balance of University admissions. Many of the masters' students are with us for only nine to 12 months, so it has been inspiring to see over 2021-22 just how much this cohort has given to College alongside their academic studies in their departments. The highlight of the year was undoubtedly the inaugural Research Showcase, held in the de Jager Auditorium in May. Organised entirely by the MCR, it allowed students to present their research in three minutes(!), and respond to follow-up questions from the audience. Moving from experiments on memory in neuroscience, to speech patterns in Renaissance Spanish epic, via economics in developing societies and more, the event showcased the strength and breadth of graduate research at Trinity.

## **Academic Office**

I will close my report with a word of thanks to the dedicated Academic Office team, without whom my work would be impossible. Isabel Lough, our Undergraduate and Tutorial Administrator, celebrated the 20th anniversary of her arrival at Trinity in Michaelmas term. Ashley Maguire, Graduate and Academic Administrator, has had an exceptionally busy year, not least because she oversees the disbursement of the college's academicrelated grants and has been diligent in ensuring that our students can attend conferences and undertake research trips now that global travel has opened up once more. The newest member of our team, Ian McGurk, joined us in January from the City of Oxford College in the role of Admissions Officer and Chapel Administrator. He has already provided wonderfully calm guidance to incoming undergraduates; the next cohort of applicants to Trinity is in safe hands.

## NEW STUDENTS

# New undergraduates

# Michaelmas term 2021

Ancient and Modern History Theo Finlan

## Biochemistry

Sophie Beaumont Anna Bekauri Roshan Patel Megan Perry Rohith Srinivas Rupambika Tripathy

Biomedical Sciences Millicent Crewe Reshmaa Selvakumar

## Chemistry Bowen Cheng Joshua Holloway Raffaël Marth Julia Neill Catherine Turkington

#### Classics

Hannah Bailey Katherine Baker Amber-Leigh Dunn Edward Dyer Samuel Kramer Anna Lapteva **Computer Science** Trisha Mukherjee Peter Sadhani

Economics and Management Arda Battalgazi Claramae Flemming Valerina Tjandra

Engineering Science Yuan Gao Xinying Li Zhining Li Ka Ng

English Clemency Day Fawcett Olivia Endacott Lara Mallin Otto Marks Clarice Mihele Araminta Plumstead Caitlin Watson

English and Modern Languages Phoebe Troughton

#### History

Leonard Buckley Leon Coyle Grace Davison Justine Duvernay Jennifer Kelly Mark Loh Hannah Porter James Scarsbrook History and Politics Jake Dibden

Law Dorian Chang Isabella Dover Perrine Gil Oliver Pearn Tamanna Steven

Law with Law Studies in Europe Agnieszka Gryguc David Fellows

Materials Science Jesse Acquah Alexander Craig Madeline Gregory Antonia Holloway Zofia Wolny Lucius Wong

Mathematics Isaac Bullough Rebekah Edwin Daniel Garai-Ebner Morgan Lynch-Davies Kanakdurga Nanda

## Medicine

Celeste Au Keya Downward Amir Jaafari Rosalind McDonald-Hill Anika Schwarze-Chintapatla Ayush Sinha Modern Languages Lily Bamber Rory Buckeridge Hannah Davis Isabella Rowe

Music Lucy Keeley Laura Massey

Philosophy, Politics and Economics Kerena Arthur Tallulah Brady Olivia Burgess Mary Chen Caitlin Phelan Leon Semple

Philosophy and Theology Joshua Fozard Eva Plajer

Physics Samuel Dudley Ujjawal Dugar Runze Feng Lewis Grant Ben Hancock Joshua Selfridge

Theology Poppy Agarwal Dafydd Griffiths

# New postgraduates

# Michaelmas term 2021

Enoch Amponsah Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Ghana

Henriques Andela Universidade Eduardi Mondiane, Mozambique

Rose Asaf The Queen's University of Belfast

Luis Bravo Lumbreras University of Pennsylvania, USA

Jean Claude Billy Byiringiro University of Edinburgh

Manfredi Castelli Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine

Joffrey Doma University of Sheffield

**Calin-Mihai Dragoi** Christ Church, University of Oxford

Anna Esenther Trinity College

Lukas Fesser Yale-NUS College, Singapore Isaac Hadfield

Trinity College

Joseph Hamley St Catherine's College, University of Oxford Maxwell Hardy University of Cambridge

Zihao He The University of Nottingham Ningbo China

Akshay Hegde Indian Statistical Institute, India Ishbel Henderson University of Cambridge

Bhadrajee Hewage University of Cambridge

Nebiyou Tereffe Huluka Addis Ababa University (Haile Selassie I), Ethiopia

Kofi Iddrisu University of Glasgow

Jennifer Jalili The Royal College of Surgeons of England

Chun Hei (Adrian) Kwong Trinity College

Jeanette Sze Yee Lee London School of Economics and Political Science

Lok Hin (Raphael) Leung Hong Kong University

**Zixuan Li** Peking University, China

**Priya Manwaring** The School of Oriental and African Studies

Sarena Martinez Trinity College

Felicity Moffat King's College London Tamio-Vesa Nakajima

University College, University of Oxford

**Roger Navas I Sole** *Trinity College* 

Mary Newman Exeter College, University of Oxford

Elizabeth Nwarueze University of Ibadan, Nigeria

Desmond Okumbor University of Glasgow

Thomas Osborne University of Sydney, Australia

Ellen Parkes University College London

Bartholomew Payne University of Warwick

Marco Pisa Universita Vita-Salute San Raffaele, Italy

Hamish Pottinger University of Lancaster

Emma Rawkins Brasenose College, University of Oxford

Rai Sengupta University of Delhi, India

Jonah Skolnik Wesleyan University, USA

Esther Soma Yale University, USA

Swathi Srinivasan Harvard University, USA

Nikola Srnic University of Alberta, Canada

Abishkar Thapa Patan Academy of Health Sciences, Nepal

**Stavroula Theologou** *University of Cyprus*  Chit Su Tinn Institute of Medicine I, Yangon, Myanmar (Burma)

Andreas Tsamados Mansfield College, University of Oxford

**Sparsh Tyagi** Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, India

Nicholas Valenzia King's College London

Phoebe Vlahoplus Wesleyan University, USA

Kevin Wong Yale-NUS College, Singapore

Nicole Wong Skidmore College, USA

Fanqi Xu Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, China

Xilai (Steven) Yang Boston University, USA

Yingzi (Rachel) Zhang Universita Commerciale Luigi Bocconi, Italy

## Hilary term 2022

Imran Howell University of Plymouth

James Melhorn Cardiff University

Jonas Sandbrink Green Templeton College, University of Oxford





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## Degree Schools' Results & Awards 2022

In the academic year 2021-22 there were 326 students reading for undergraduate degrees and 135 graduates reading for higher degrees.

In Final Honour Schools, 21 out of 79 Trinity students gained Firsts. Their names are shown in **bold**.

Kate Adams	Annabelle Evans	Hongzhou Luan	Rowena Stening
Alice Agerbak	Oliver Fox	Conor Maher	Joseph Stimson
Victor Almeida Ivo	Holly Gardner	Paulina Maziarska	Francesca Stott
Gregor Aubrey	Charlotte Gould	Patrick McCubbin	Ayano Sugiyama-Finnis
Lauren Aurelius	Anton Grishechkin	Shannon McRoberts	Tom Sullivan
Mirza Sameer Baig	Carlotta Hartmann	Alicia Middleton	Milo Thompson
Jacob Barker	Yusuf Hassan	Sai Mirthipati	Isaac Thurgood
Megan Bell	Phoebe Haste	Ottilie Mitchell	Anyi Wang
Alaina Bullen	Emma Hewlett	Flora Murray	James Waterman
Jiayun Cao	Daniel Holroyde	Karina Odedra	Charlotte Whittlesea
Tobias Chatfield	Todd Horton	Gabriel Peacocke	Osian Williams
Yifei Chen	Imogen Hoskyns-Staples	William Poole	Louis Wright
Warwick Chipman	Stephen Hoy	Marina Popp	Hao Yu
Sarah Coffey	Annabel Hunt	Samuel Renshaw	
Nathan Cornish	Ore Jacobi	Elizabeth Reynard	
Patrick Dauncey	Malaika Jalali	Oscar Robins	
Georgina Dettmer	Finn Jarvis	Eve Robson-Rooney	
Kent Djongroaminoto	Yash Aka Kanishk Karan	Josh Rosen	
Henry Donoghue	Arista Lai	William Sanders	
Tay Drummond	Thomas Lewis	Ipsita Sarkar	
Tobias Edison	Florine Lips	Jia Jhing Sia	
Jamie Emerick	James Lo	Tariq Sinnetamby	

## Advanced degrees and certificates

## **Doctors of Philosophy**

Nehir Banaz Biochemistry Leonardo Bevilacqua Medieval and Modern Languages **Jason Brickhill** Law Mehmet Ciftci Theology and Religion Rowan Curtis Atmospheric, Oceanic, and Planetary Physics Federico Danieli Industrially Focused Mathematical Modlling Benjamin de Jager Engineering Science Dominic Förstermann Materials **Iack Fraser-Govil** Theoretical Physics Oghenekome Gbinigie Primary Health Care Lisa Haefele Inorganic Chemistry **Owain** James Theology Neil Lewis Atmospheric, Oceanic and Planetary Physics Thomas Moxham **Engineering Science** 

Konstantine Panegyres Classical Languages and Literature Olof Rorsman Ion Channels and Disease Said Said Inorganic Chemistry Kirk Smith Engineering Science Robin Truman Interdisciplinary Bioscience Julius Yam Law

## Bachelor of Philosophy

Avital Fried

## Master of Philosophy

Yiming Li Economics

## Master of Science (by Research)

Kirsti Brisk Physiology, Anatomy, and Genetics

## Masters of Business Administration

Nebiyou Tereffe Huluka Laura Ketteringham Mahasweta Mandal Nicholas Valenzia Yingzi (Rachel) Zhang

## Master of Public Policy

Esther Soma

## Masters of Science

Enoch Amponsah Evidence-Based Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation

Henriques Andela International Health and Tropical Medicine

Rose Asaf Sociology

Luis Bravo Lumbreras Sociology Jean Claude Billy Byiringiro Advanced Computer Science Joffrey Doma Global Governance and Diplomacy Lukas Fesser

Mathematical Sciences Kofi Iddrisu

Clinical Embryology

Desmond Okumbor Politics Research

Gurjinderpal Pahal Surgical Science and Practice

Isabelle Roach Neuroscience

Rai Sengupta Evidence-Based Social Intervention and Policy Evaluation

Abishkar Thapa International Health and Tropical Medicine

Stavroula Theologou Clinical Embryology

Chit Su Tinn International Health and Tropical Medicine

## **Masters of Studies**

Zihao He Study of Religions Felicity Moffat Comparative Literature and Critical Translation Jonah Skolnik Medieval Studies Phoebe Vlahoplus History of Art and Visual Culture Kevin Wong Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature Nicole Wong Modern Languages (French)

## Awards and Prizes

## Undergraduate Scholarships

Daniel Beer Anna Beever Andrew Birchall Laura Bradby Yifei Chen **Jacques** Cloete Sarah Coffey Nathan Cornish Tay Drummond Sam Flower Aadithya Ganeshram Holly Gardener Anton Grischechkin Carlotta Hartmann Imogen Hoskyns-Staples Stephen Hughes Annabel Hunt Ore Iacobi Paulina Maziarska William Nakhoul Ioshua Rosen Jamie Spiller Ayano Sugiyama-Finnis

## **Undergraduate Exhibitions**

Kate Adams Midhura Arulkkumaran Nicky Bacon Sam Bailey Daniel Bold Rosa Bonnin Hristo Efimov Nelson Fernandes Serrao Louise Fitzpatrick Daniel Fremantle Charlotte Gould Emma Hewlett Ben Hunt Joshua Jacobs Supra-Kasem Kashemsri Na Debora Krut Mathew Kurnia Yincheng Liu Ellie Marsh Phoebe McCallum Emma McCann Gigi McCauley

James McQueen Angelica Nikidis Clarissa Pereira Rosie Robinson Ipsita Sarkar George Shaw Nathan Skinner Ji Vongvorakul Noemie Voss Harry Walton Guy Ward-Jackson Alex Wayne Zhen Yap Ben Zelin

## Graduate Scholarships

Mats-Philip Ahrenshop Rowan Anderson Sophie Clarke Rowan Curtis Oghenekome Gbinigie Cameron Gray Matthew Hankins Rvan Herold **Rachel Hindmarsh** Conor Keogh Fanmiao Kong Emanuele La Malfa Shangshang Li Martin Meier Callan Mevnell Thomas Moxham Chloe Nahum Konstantine Panegyres Iamie Wilmore Huinan Zeng Louise Zolkiewski

## **College Prizes and Awards**

Amratlal K V Shah Prize for Medicine Ayush Sinha

Bellot International Law Prize Daniel Holroyde

Christopher Prior Prize for Mathematics Jacob Barker

Douglas Sladen Prize Jake Dibden (winner) Harry Walton (runner up)

Hinshelwood Chemistry Prize Megan Bell

James and Cecily Holladay Prize Sabire Krasniqi

John and Irene Sloan Prize for PPE (FHS) Yifei Chen

John and Irene Sloan Prize for PPE (Prelims) Mary Chen Lady Astbury Law Prize (Mods) Dorian Chang

Margaret Howard Prize Marcus Heal

Odette de Mourgues Prize (French) Imogen Hoskyns-Staples

Fisher Prize for Physics Tobias Chatfield

**R A Knox Prize** Biochemistry Patrick McCubbin Economics and Management, & Economics Sai Mirthipati English Georgina Dettmer History & Politics Flora Murray Materials Science Rowena Stening Medicine Sarah Coffev Modern Languages & History Imogen Hoskyns-Staples Philosophy Yifei Chen

**Richard Hillary Writing Competition** Alexander Schweich Nicholas Valenzia

Sally Ball EC Law prize Todd Horton Oscar Robins

Stirling Boyd Prize Laura Bradby Presidential Commendations: Rhys Duncan Lucy Keeley Ngoni Mugwisi Clarissa Pereira Kam Poon George Tebbutt

Sutro Prize Literae Humaniores Josh Rosen

Warburton Prize for contribution to the musical life of the college Lucy Keeley

## The JCR

David Evers Prize Harry Walton

Presidential Commendations Arda Battalgazi Rosa Bonnin Benedict Coneybeare Rose Faure Ore Jacobi Lorna McEvoy Francesca Stott Caroline Von Lampe

# A year of challenges and achievements

A fter a year overshadowed by the pandemic, the new second-years, who made up most of our committee, had little more experience of normal Oxford life than this year's freshers.

This made organising Freshers' Week more challenging, but thanks to the committee's dedication, financial support from the college and the Trinity Society, and input from the previous year's freshers' reps, we put on a successful Freshers' Week, which included karaoke, movie and game nights, morning yoga, and a sports day with the MCR.

As term continued, we aimed to re-establish JCR traditions that Covid had put on hold in order to foster a strong sense of community. Welfare tea regained its status as a crowdfavourite and the entz reps made organising bops look easy. After a surge of drink-spiking incidents across Oxford, the equalities team worked to improve procedures for dealing with sexual violence and prevention, including mandatory consent training and a weekly drop-in safe space.

After their hard work during the pandemic upheavals, it was fantastic to celebrate the outgoing committee's achievements at the annual JCR Gala



The 2022 Commemoration Ball

dinner, an evening that truly felt like pre-pandemic Oxford.

Hilary term brought a number of changes. We were able to take first steps towards refurbishing the JCR, with re-painted walls and new flooring, thanks to the college's maintenance team, to make it more welcoming. Our new committee assumed office, bringing lots of fantastic ideas and quickly settling into their roles, organising highly successful bops at external venues, welfare weeks, week-night events, and formal swaps with other colleges. One highlight was the founding of a feminist society, with weekly discussions in the ICR.

Unfortunately, Covid made a comeback in January, and growing frustration with the restrictions in place posed a challenge, not least in dealing with bookings for dinners in hall, with seating capacity still reduced, but many wanting to dine before the Hall closure.

With exams around the corner, things quietened down a bit in Trinity term. As we prepared to elect a new executive committee, we concluded our input in projects such as furniture for the JCR, a re-design of the JCR website, a highly successful arts week and a new discussion format to encourage conversation around diversity and inclusion issues (IntersectionaliTEA).

We were able to celebrate the opening of the Levine Building by the then Prince of Wales, with five members of the JCR participating in a performance arranged for the occasion. We hosted a delegation from Churchill College, Cambridge, Trinity's sister college, at the Trinity Monday dinner, and were invited to the Churchill College Founder's Feast.

Finally, a highlight marked the very end of the academic year: the Trinity Commemoration Ball, having been postponed twice due to the pandemic, took place on Friday of ninth week. Thanks to the Ball committee's hard work, it was surely a night to remember and a fantastic note to end on.

> Caroline Von Lampe JCR President

## Our small but tight-knit community

The past couple of years have been an enormous challenge to us all. The pandemic, the lockdowns, the rules, and the restrictions all took an enormous toll on what the MCR could do. However, as we edge into a 'post-Covid era' we have started discovering our new normal, re-establishing old traditions, and making new memories.

Freshers' week kicked off with a packed programme of in-person events, from board games and t-shirt tie-dyeing, to a big pub dinner and a bop. It was wonderful to finally see our community have the chance to get together in person. Just being able to use the MCR as a common room for all members once again completely transformed the college experience for those of us who had joined midpandemic.

As the year progressed, we ran regular pub crawls, karaoke, and welfare pizza evenings. It was a privilege to see friendships grow and blossom, as well as a welcoming, inclusive and caring culture develop in our small but tight-knit community.

There were just too many events in the last 12 months for me to mention here, but some of the most memorable include our festive trip to



MCR festive trip to Blenheim Palace (photo: Dylan Sherman)

Blenheim Palace to see the Christmas Lights, the MCR Gala which raised  $\pounds_{2,500}$  for Oxford Mutual Aid and the British Heart Foundation, and of course the royal visit from Prince Charles to open the beautiful Levine Building and subsequent drinks in the marquee.

My personal highlight was the inaugural MCR Showcase. An evening of 12 three-minute, thesisstyle talks, when members had the chance to present their research to all three common rooms in the shiny new de Jager Auditorium. The sheer quality of these talks as well as the questions and discussion after each just blew me away. Wow, there are a lot of clever people here! While we faced a wide range of difficulties this year, we have come through them all as one MCR. I owe so much to the MCR committee members, the incredible college staff, Caro Von Lampe for her support in bringing the JCR and MCR closer together, and the members of the 2021-22 Trinity MCR who form the beating heart of our community.

Holding this position has been an enormous privilege and honour but now I look forward to my moment alone in the shade. I wish President Ishbel and the new committee every success: go well, I can't wait to see all that you achieve!

> Kam Poon MCR President

## STARTING THE YEAR STRONGLY

## **Boat Club**

• TCBC experienced perhaps its first 'normal' season of rowing since the Covid pandemic, and a successful one at that! The year started off strongly, with a large cohort of freshers joining the club, many of whom were learning to row for the very first time.

Hilary term saw TCBC partake in the first bumps campaign of the year -Torpids. The men's side entered three boats, with special mention going to the M<sub>3</sub> crew who were +5 by the end of the week and were awarded blades. The women's side entered two boats, although the W<sub>2</sub> boat unfortunately did not qualify despite an impressive time achieved at rowing on. Both first boats remained in Division 1, ready for Torpids 2023. The term finished on a real high with a fantastic training camp at Fulham Reach, allowing many of our rowers to get their first experience of rowing on the Tideway—with thanks to David Fitzherbert (1975), chairman of Fulham Reach.

Trinity term saw more successful racing, with many rowers taking part in Summer Eights. Again, MI and WI retained a spot in Division I, despite some impressive competition.

We have been lucky to see first-hand the strengthening of the entire club,



The TCBC training camp at Fulham Reach Boat Club

and as always, we remain immensely grateful to each and every donor who has played such an integral role in supporting our club and our rowers. We hope to see many of you during the upcoming season! Rose Faure

## Cricket

• The return to Oxford and to cricket in Trinity term is like that of the explorer from the wilderness to the comfort and niceties of home and hearth: simply bliss.

For the Trinity College Cricket Club hopes were high to begin with. Our first match against Brasenose saw the dogged resistance of a side of five against their XI for the best part of two hours. First-time cricketer Zhen Yap managed to take a splendid wicket, before Brasenose's capable batsmen were able to reach the subfifty target primarily set by handy fresher Jake Dibden.

By mid-season, TCCC were fortunate to boast one victory over Magdalen, where the return of finalists Barnes, Brankin-Frisby, Poole, and Peacocke proved invaluable. However, another undermanned game and defeat followed against Christ Church, in spite of a commendable half-century from Brankin-Frisby.

Bowl offs were, unfortunately, frequent, as all colleges faced a shortage of players, and it was all the more gut-wrenching that the first round of cuppers against Kellogg should be lost that way too.

Despite this, the plucky spirit and conviviality of the team meant that whatever the circumstances it was always a pleasure to be captain, and fun was always had. Tristan Gauthier

## Croquet

■ In Trinity term, a team of uninitiated misfits took on Oxford's underworld of experienced, country house-owning croquet fiends. With the help of a couple of byes from forfeiting teams, as well as our very own professional coach in the form of Tristan Gauthier, we made it further than we had ever anticipated: to the final round of sixteen. With particularly big wins against Wolfson, and a close shave against Christ Church, our season eventually came to an end in a crushing victory for Brasenose—we knew the end was nigh when they turned up with their own £500 mallet.

Special mention has to go to Josh Neil (or 'Aussie Josh') who managed to spark a row over the rules in almost every game. Despite this, Josh still somehow was able to psych out his own team mates more than the opposition. Ben Coneybeare (or 'Young Beare') also came up with his very own 'Sumo' stance, manspreading across the lawn before each critical shot (we won't mention the one he missed where the ball was literally in the mouth of the hoop).

We'll be sad to see fellow malletswinger, Dan Fremantle, leaving us next year for his year abroad to Portugal and Spain—I've heard the croquet there is not so good. However, with a new substitute (our talent-spotters already have a couple of names in mind), some pre-season training and some unlikely extra funding from the Trinity JCR, I have no doubt that the Trinity 2023 season will be an audacious one. Guy Ward Jackson

## Men's Football

• Unfortunately, the 2021-22 season didn't go as well as one might have hoped. In the face of numerous cancellations and unavailability, we failed to go past the first round of cuppers against Queen's, and we faced a similar fate against Magdalen in the Hassan's Cup.

Nonetheless, I feel as though the experience will have given plenty of motivation and desire to the coming season's squad as they seek to right the wrongs of the past year, and try and get past the first round of Cuppers. Despite the difficulties faced, it was an immense pleasure to be the football captain of Trinity Football Club and I look forward to seeing how new captain Jamie Spiller fares. Omarr Belhaj-Fahsi

## Tennis

■ The Trinity grass courts joyfully welcomed the return of our college team in Trinity term, having not seen such a promising team emerge in the last two years as a result of the pandemic. The tactical cuppers alliance of Trinity and St Benet's, or as our opponents fearfully called us, the 'Trinnets', entered the season with zeal, strongly securing our first win against Christ Church (6-3). Momentum only continued to grow as the Trinnets stunned Hertford in the next round, cruising to victory without losing a single match (9-0).

At that moment, we felt unstoppable and allowed ourselves to begin to dream of lifting the glorified cuppers trophy. Alas, it was not to be. In the quarter-finals, we met Magdalen (last year's victors) and a fierce battle ensued. All matches were incredibly close, but Magdalen managed to snag the win, although only by a single set (4-5). A crushing blow, but our gaze is already directed to next year! There was also a friendly arranged with the alumni team. captained by Matthew Johnston, in which the elders showed the voungsters how it is done with a win of 5-1. Overall, the Trinity team put in a strong performance and shows great potential for next year! Louise Fitzpatrick

## Blues

## Full Blue

Omarr Belhaj-Fahsi, Football Rory Buckeridge, Hockey William Couston, Hockey Thomas Osborne, Rugby David Pugh, Swimming Isabelle Roach, Volleyball Joshua Soifer, Basketball Louis Wright, Rugby Louisa Zolkiewski, Swimming

## Half Blue

Elizabeth Jones, *Korfball* Dylan Sherman, *Orienteering* Louis Wright, *Ski racing* 

## **Chapel Choir**

• At the start of the year, the chapel choir welcomed several new singers, growing to an impressive size of just under 30 members, as well as welcoming a graduate organ scholar for the year, Jim Fellows. The Christmas carol services, which ended Michaelmas term, were a vibrant success, with congregation members commenting that it was the best Christmas service they had attended in years.

In 3rd week of Trinity term, we presented a concert of choral music for Eastertide, with music by Stanford, Vaughan Williams, Daley, Mendelssohn and Beach, with Parry's *Songs of Farewell* as the centrepiece.

The concert raised significant funds for the musical highlight of the year, our week-long summer tour to Valencia in Spain, where we sang services of mass and choral concerts in venues including Valencia cathedral and San Nicolás de Bari y San Pedro Mártir, the 'Sistine Chapel of Spain'. A significant proportion of the choir has now graduated, and we look forward to continuing the high standard of musical proficiency and enjoyment achieved this year by welcoming a new cohort of singers in the new academic year. Ben Hunt

## Music Society

• Further lifting of Covid restrictions meant the Music Society was able to undergo a dramatic renaissance, and once again flourish as an active society putting on several in-person



The choir at the church of San Nicolás de Bari y San Pedro Mártir

events each term.

TCMS launched an Instagram page (@tcms\_oxford), and successfully promoted a gig night and President's Concert every term. The popular gig nights showcased musicians from across Oxford, and took place in the college bar, moving to the new Levine Building café when the bar closed for renovation in Trinity term. The three President's Concerts were themed, as a candlelit Christmas concert in the chapel, a concert of contemporary music in the brand-new de Jager Auditorium, and a summer's evening concert in the new Garden Room.

We also enjoyed collaborating with the St Peter's College music society, presenting joint initiatives of a gig night at Trinity, and orchestral performance of Saint-Saëns's *Carnival of the Animals* at St Peter's. We look forward to making further use of the extensive new musical facilities in the Levine Building, in planning more exciting events for the coming year. Ben Hunt

## **Christian Union**

• We have had the pleasure of seeing the Christian Union grow over the year, with the freedom to meet in people's rooms or on the lawns, and partnering with our neighbours at St John's.

We began the year with the series, 'Meals with Jesus', looking at the various meals Jesus shared with people, meeting their needs. Similarly, we wanted to encourage community in our CU. We went to the end-ofterm carol service held by the Inter-Collegiate Christian Union, sharing Christmas snacks.

In Hilary term, we looked at the book of Ecclesiastes, whilst spending relaxed time together at G&D's icecream café to stave off study stress. Each week in Trinity term, we dipped into parables and miracles performed by Jesus, sharing food in Hall afterwards. We invited people from across College to these and gave out free cookies to help those studying. This led into our outreach event where we invited Andy Silk from St Ebbe's church to speak in a Q&A about his faith.

We loved creating a community where all are welcome to encounter Jesus and going into next year, we want this to be our focus: sharing the good news about Jesus Christ. Phoebe Troughton and Lucy Keeley

## **Gryphon Society**

■ The Gryphon Society has revelled in a year of discussion running the full gamut of what one could ever wish to talk about: from the sciences to the arts, sport to social issues.

In Michaelmas term, Trinity was honoured to welcome Professor Sir Andrew Pollard, director of the Oxford Vaccine Group, to answer questions from a star-struck audience. It was a rare pleasure to hear personal insights into the pandemic from one of the leading lights of the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine.

In February a panel was convened to discuss the effects on Romany Gypsy, Roma, and Traveller communities of the Police Bill (now Act), which makes trespass a criminal offence. The illuminating talk was delivered by the co-chairs of the Drive 2 Survive campaign, Sherrie Smith and Jake Bowers, as well as poet, author, and St John's alumnus Damian Le Bas.

Only the week after, in one of the first events to take place in the new auditorium, society photographer Dafydd Jones gave a lively presentation on his recently re-published book, *Oxford: The Last Hurrah*, which captures some of our most revered and reviled public figures in their student days, including Hugh Grant and Boris Johnson.

A fecund year was rounded off with the return of the Michael Beloff After Dinner Speaking Competition. Alannah Burdess was awarded second place for her speech on life lessons learnt as coxswain in the men's Boat Club, whilst Tristan Gauthier clinched the top spot with his impassioned defence of the humble hedgerow. Here's to another year of dialogue, debate and discussion. Osian Williams

## Law Society

■ The Law Society has made the most of the opportunity to return to in-person events this academic year, starting with a dinner in November with Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer. The fortunate timing allowed Law students to ask advice from Old Members currently working at Freshfields about vacation scheme and training contract applications while the application window was open. The event also proved popular with non-law students, and hopefully they benefitted from getting a glimpse of life as a lawyer.

In January, the society met Old Members from Slaughter and May. Even those with impending exams managed to take time off to discuss life as a solicitor at various stages of one's career progression, as well as the nature of the commercial work done and the various possible specialisms.

We would like to express our appreciation to Benjamin Crompton (2012), associate at Freshfields, and Andrew Jolly (1992), partner at Slaughter and May, for helping to coordinate each event.

It has been a pleasure leading the society, and we wish the best of luck to our successor.

Nicolò Gaggero and Rhys Duncan

## Members of Staff 2021-22

## Academic Office

Isabel Lough, Undergraduate and Tutorial Administrator Ashley Maguire, Graduate and Academic Administrator Katharine Head, Undergraduate Admissions and Chapel Administrator (to December) Ian McGurk, Undergraduate Admissions and Chapel Administrator (from January)

## Alumni & Development Office

Andrew Clinch, Administrative Assistant Miriam Hallatt, Development Officer Sarah Jenkinson, Alumni & Events Officer Thomas Knollys, Alumni Relations Officer

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## Beer Cellar

Albie Freitas, Bar Manager Ian Stacey, Assistant Bar Manager Arthur Colle, Bar & Wine Cellar Assistant

## Boathouse

Mark Seal, Boatman

## Bursary

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## Computing

Alastair Johnson, Computer Manager

## **Conference & Events**

Louise Kernahan, Conference & Events Manager (*Maternity leave* from March) Chris Green, Conference & Events Manager (*Maternity cover from* March) Megan Kerry, Conference & Events Officer (from February)

## Gardens

Kate Burtonwood, Head Gardener Aaron Drewett, Senior Gardener Bob Dunn, Assistant Gardener Hannah McKay, Apprentice Gardener

## Housekeeping & Site Services

**Jonathan Davies**, Accommodation Manager

## Housekeeping

Damian Blachnio, Housekeeping Supervisor (to November) Bianca Ciubotaru, Scout (to November), Housekeeping Supervisor (from November) Fiona Smith. Scout (to November) Housekeeping Supervisor (November to July) Carla Andrade, Scout (to May) Ioao Barbosa, Scout Brenda Bassett, Scout Elvis Brito, Scout Rachel Clerkin, Scout (from January) Lana Ip, Scout (President's Lodgings) Miroslawa Krezel, Scout Tracy Madden, Scout Barbara Mazur, Scout Sue Peach. Scout Yeti Santos, Scout Tracy Sherratt, Scout (from July) Darron Smith, Scout (Off-site properties) Kerry Stacey, Scout (from January) Weronika Trzaskowska, Scout (to September)

## Site Services

Fabiana Chiaratti, Site Services & Housekeeping Supervisor (*from May*) Gislanda De Moraes, Site Services Assistant
Wilton Chiaratti, Site Services Assistant (from July) Michael King, Site Services Assistant (from August)

# Kitchen

Iulian Smith. Head Chef Jonathan Clarke, Second Chef Matthew Bradford, Third Chef Kalaivanan Kalvanasundram, Third Chef Tom Rush. Third Chef Mark Banks. Chef de Partie Rachel Barnes, Chef de Partie Leonardo Kurti, Chef de Partie Agata Kutereba. Chef de Partie Simon Wallworth, Chef de Partie Charlotte Smith. Junior Chef de Partie (to October) Denise Matzen, Kitchen Assistant Olderico Da Costa Nunes, Kitchen Porter John George, Kitchen Porter Tome Pinto, Kitchen Porter (from February) Domingos Rodrigues Vitor, Kitchen Porter

# Lodge

Martin Reeve, Head Porter Martin Wizard, Deputy Head Porter Clarindo Almeida, Night Porter Kirk Ellingham, Porter Dominic Lantain, Night Porter Maria Sommaggio, Porter

# Maintenance

Andrew Hooper, Clerk of Works Elion Angjelo, Maintenance Operative (from January) Damian Blachnio, Maintenance Operative (from November) Gary Kinch, Painter and Decorator Wayne Shorter, Multi-Skilled Maintenance Operative David Thomas-Comiskey, Maintenance Operative Dene Warman, Multi-Skilled Plumber Pauline Wizard, Facilities co-ordinator (from May)

# Medical

Kerry Minton, Nurse (to April) Nicola Selway, Interim Wellbeing Advisor Lynn Cross, Senior Wellbeing Advisor (from November)

# **Outreach & Access**

Hannah Rolley, Head of Access Richard Petty, Teacher Engagement and Access Officer Christopher Cottell, Access Officer (to November) Rob Harrison, Access Officer (from February)

# President's Office

Claire Judd, PA to the President Julia Paolitto, Head of Communications Jennifer Long, Clerk to the Governing Body

# SCR & Dining Hall

Jonathan Flint, SCR/Hall Steward Zorica Leskovac, Dining Hall Supervisor Lisa Linzey, Dining Hall Supervisor Simon Reeves, Dining Hall Supervisor Andrei Stefanescu, SCR Butler Semira Ali Yemamu, Dining Hall Assistant Arfan Bakar, Dining Hall Assistant Omer Buazljko, Dining Hall Assistant Asekio De Gildo, Dining Hall Assistant (to January) Leah McLennon, Dining Hall Assistant Simon Wild, Dining Hall Assistant

# Sports Ground

Paul Madden, Groundsman Michelle Brown, Grounds Scout

# From challenges old to new

**Chris Ferguson** Estates Bursar



The academic year 2021-22 was the year when we gradually returned to normal following the rigours of the Covid pandemic...

Or rather, that was what was supposed to happen. Instead, at the close of the academic year, we found ourselves confronting national and international financial challenges on a scale not seen for four decades. Energy prices have tripled and look set to increase further, whilst general inflation is running at more than 10 per cent. The Bank of England advises that we have entered a two-year recession. It is in this rather gloomy context that we look back across the highs and lows of the past year.

# **Pandemic effects**

The college normally hosts summer schools from the United States in July and August; but in the summer of 2021, with international travel still disrupted by the pandemic, we had welcomed only a fraction of the normal numbers. Likewise, conference bookings had remained at very low levels through September 2021 as Covid still loomed and



The newly restored War Memorial Library (see the Librarian's report on page 44 for a 'during the works' image)

customers remained cautious. This lost revenue could not be recovered as circumstances gradually improved through the year, so inevitably financial performance has been adversely impacted.

On a much more positive note, the return of students in Michaelmas term once again looked and felt like the start of normal year. Compared to the start of 2020-21, this was a big improvement for all concerned! Mercifully, there was then little subsequent disruption by Covid—and the national upturn in case numbers at Christmas coincided with the vacation. Financially, this provided significant and important relief: the cessation of the government furlough scheme in September left the college vulnerable in the event that income from student rents and catering did not pick up.

Financially and operationally the year then progressed in more or less the same vein. Term-time operated as normal and vacation conference bookings gradually returned. In July the return of the US summer schools *en masse* seemed to symbolise the end of the Covid crisis. However, lurking in the shadows was spiralling inflation. The year end accounts reveal the picture. In 2020-21 (albeit in a year of disrupted activity) the college's energy costs were £345,000. In 2021-22, this had increased to £545,000. In 2022-23 we expect this figure to exceed £1,000,000. With income relatively fixed, cost increases on this scale represent a significant challenge.

# Investments

During the second half of 2021-22 investors saw significant volatility in the value of their holdings. This affected the college, with the value of its equity portfolio ending the year  $\pounds_{4.6}$  million (3.8 per cent) lower than last year. However, this was partially offset by gains in the value of property assets so the net outcome for the overall portfolio was a loss of  $\pounds_{2,3}$  million. This is disappointing, but should be seen in the context of a gain of £21 million in 2020-21. Income from investments represents more than one third of the college's total annual income. Without this, it would be impossible for the college to function in its present form. Although the investment environment may not be as buoyant now as it has been in recent years, the college continues to invest in equities and to explore the potential for measured and wellconsidered building development across its investment property estate.

# **Building projects**

News on our construction projects was much more positive. The Levine Building project continued throughout the Covid storm and, amazingly, was delivered nearly on time and very much on budget. This success reduced the college's exposure to financial risk at a key moment. The building is

'New lighting, a full redecoration and the restoration of all the desks have left the library interior fully restored to its former glory.'

now in constant use, having achieved instant popularity with the entire college community. We will forever be grateful to the 1,200 donors who between them have contributed half of the total cost. Without their support we simply could not have undertaken a project on this scale.

The completion of the Levine Building also enabled us to fulfil the promise to refurbish its neighbour, the War Memorial Library, to mark its centenary. As you will probably be aware, many years of heavy use had left the library looking rather worn and drab, especially in contrast to its shiny new neighbour. The works over the summer of 2022 have had a striking effect. New lighting, a full redecoration and the restoration of all the desks have left the building's interior fully restored to its former glory. In fact the lower library has never looked so good, with its former 'municipal' aesthetic entirely replaced by a modern, sleek appearance. The students who deserted the library in January for the new facilities in the Levine Building are now back!

Meanwhile, January saw the start of the long-awaited restoration of the Hall, Kitchen and SCR. As planned, cooking and dining have relocated to the Lawns Pavilion (our tonguein-cheek name for the temporary building on the north lawn) to make way for rebuilding the modern kitchen extension and refurbishing the Hall and SCR. This project is complicated and it will take time to carry out the delicate work which it entails, but we expect it to ultimately complete the restoration cycle which began some years ago with the chapel.

# Getting back to (a new) normal

**Lynne Adam** Domestic Bursar



A s for everyone, we started the academic year with COVID-19 precautions very much a part of college life. That said, we were determined to have as 'near normal' a Michaelmas term as possible and were delighted to welcome new and returning students in person. After so much uncertainty and disruption during 2020 and 2021, the entire team was delighted to see the college busy with activity—and students—again.

Initially we maintained our Covid management support for students in terms of testing, isolation and meal deliveries. Obviously, the key change from 2020 was the success of the Covid vaccination programme, and so we were able to adjust positively our rules on student isolation.

Students enjoyed the opportunity to embrace college life fully and we saw a significant increase in numbers for dining. The Hall and Kitchen teams responded with their usual hard work and focus, managing to deliver some memorable experiences for our students. We are very grateful to Julian Smith, Head Chef, and Jon Flint, SCR Steward, who maintained a consistent level of service, flair and outstanding food across the year, despite the challenges of the recruitment market in the catering industry generally.

We were delighted later in the year when the University dropped all Covid restrictions and we were able to return to business as usual.

# Levine Building

The final stages of the Levine Building construction project obviously kept the team very busy with various practical elements. The list is very long, but a few highlights include: the successful development of policy and procedure; signage planning; and procurement and installation of furniture for 46 bedrooms, the library

'We were delighted to see the college busy with activity—and students again.'

mezzanine, meeting and music rooms, a roof terrace, and the new Café. I'm very grateful for the hard work and tenacity of our Accommodation, Maintenance and IT teams led by Jon Davies, Andy Hooper and Alastair Johnson.

It is safe to say the Levine Building has been an enormous success with students. They very quickly settled themselves into the Café, library mezzanine and other areas, with the new bedrooms and social kitchens being particularly popular and in demand. This standard of accommodation provides a helpful benchmark as we work hard to upgrade other areas of the college over the coming months and years.

We have also developed the capability to host a number of auditorium events, including academic conferences and live music performances. This range of events will be available to students as well as the general public; the first tickets went on sale for the opening performances towards the end of the summer vacation.

We quickly moved on to the preparation and commencement of the Hall and Kitchen project. Initially this required some careful and longterm planning of various room moves: we de-canted the red wine store, moved Fellows and students out of staircases 11 and 17, along with a number of office moves—too many to mention!

The entire team were delighted to welcome His Royal Highness the then Prince of Wales to the opening of the Levine Building on 12 May. After heavy rain the day before the sun shone and the Prince took the time to speak to a number of scouts and kitchen staff, as well as students, as he walked through College.

Moving on to the stunning work this year by Kate Burtonwood, Head Gardener, and her team; their achievements include a full replanting of the grounds around the



Some of the acclaimed Lodge team: left, Martin Wizard, Deputy Head Porter, and Maria Sommaggio, Porter; right, Laura Cox (2017), Casual Porter, and Martin Reeve, Head Porter (not photographed: Kirk Ellingham, Porter, Clarindo Almeida, Night Porter, and Dominic Lantain, Night Porter)

Levine Building, the re-instatement of the Lawns, the planting of many thousands of plants, including the glorious display in the muchimproved Library Quad—with a timely blooming of blue and yellow in early spring. Kate was delighted to be named one of the top 150 gardeners in the UK by HortWeek and we, along with the entire Garden Committee, look forward to the re-design of the herbaceous border by Chris Beardshaw, due for completion during 2023.

# Supporting our students

The demand for student wellbeing services looked set to continue to

increase, and so we were very keen to ensure a professional and well managed service, particularly as students emerged from a challenging period of isolation and working at home due to the pandemic. We were delighted to welcome Lynn Cross as Head of Wellbeing in the Autumn; Lynn has already put in place a number of positive initiatives with a strong focus on the eight pillars of wellbeing.

# Supporting our staff

The University is working hard to develop streams of work related to staff—as well as student—wellbeing. We would like to take advantage of any guidance and best practice which is produced, and plan to progress this work over the coming months. To date we have implemented a 'New Ways of Working' policy, a monthly staff meeting, increased training opportunities, work experience for school children, increased apprenticeship opportunities and staff social events, including a recent quiz.

# **College Ball**

The Ball Committee finally had the opportunity to deliver a Ball in June; obviously it had been a long wait for those who had originally booked tickets for 2020. I'm delighted to say that despite it being wet and cold, the majority of the 1,300 ball-goers had a wonderful evening. The number of them who remained in College for the 'survivors breakfast' at 5am easily filled Garden Quad!

# An acclaimed Lodge team

I'll close with my favourite quote of 2021-22, which was placed on the ICR website by current students: 'One of Trinity's most special features. Our on-site porters' lodge is manned 24/7 by a team of the loveliest, most charming and most helpful people you'll ever meet. Some Oxford colleges have infamously grumpy or difficult porters, which is why Trinity is so proud of its universally acclaimed lodge team, who you'll grow to love within days of your arrival. If you need help with anything, day or night, the porters are always on hand.'

# DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

# The difference a year makes

Sue Broers Director of Development



➡he Alumni & Development Office has been so engaged with the construction of the Levine Building in recent years that it is almost impossible to believe that it has now been completed. students have moved in and we have witnessed a memorable 'grand opening'. On a practical level, our working lives have been transformed, as Alumni & Development now finds itself in a large, purpose-built shared office: this makes it easy for students and visitors to locate us and encourages collaboration between different departments.

Another benefit of the new working environment is that members of the team find it easier to keep abreast of what is happening around College; such knowledge informs the content of newsletters, e-newsletters and other exchanges with Old Members and Friends. In addition to the usual range of regular communications, Julia Paolitto, Head of Communications (who ensures that the college has a presence on social media), worked with us in commissioning a video of the Levine Building, so that all those



Filling in Leavers' Update Forms at the Leavers' Drinks in June

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who cannot return to Trinity to see the building for themselves can tour the site remotely.

The year got off to a good start with the return of 'in person' matriculation, which is overseen by the Alumni & Development team; the sight of Hall packed with excited students made us realise just what we had been missing. Graduation had been hard hit by the pandemic and it was a pleasure to host two 'catch up' graduations, bringing back students who should have graduated in 2020 and 2021.

# **The Levine Building**

The Levine Building can boast having had no fewer than three opening events. The first, in March, for major donors, included tours and a discussion with a panel composed of lead donor Peter Levine (1974), the President, former President Sir Ivor



Key figures in bringing the Levine Building to fruition: from left, Chris Ferguson, Estates Bursar; the President; Hugh Petter, Adam Architecture; Sue Broers, Director of Development; Kevin Knott, Estates Bursar 2006-2017; and Ivor Roberts, President 2006-2017

Roberts (who identified the need for the building in 2006), the building's architect, Hugh Petter, and Gabriel Blackwell, a current student and one of the first to live in the building. After a lively discussion followed by questions from the audience, the event culminated in dinner in Hall. In April, at the Levine Building Open Day, visitors were able to follow, at their own speed, a suggested route around the building, enjoy snacks in the Café and hear a series of presentations by some of Trinity's graduate students in the de Jager Auditorium. Finally, in the grandest of the opening events, in May, His Royal Highness the then Prince of Wales formally opened the building in front of an audience of students, staff and key donors. This event required meticulous planning and co-operation across the college, made easier by the proximity of colleagues in the new office.

# **Events**

Other events this year have included a delayed memorial service for former chaplain Trevor Williams, a Gaudy for 1986-89, the Bathurst Dinner and finally, a packed 'Fifty Plus Years On' lunch. We may have been eating in a temporary building since Easter, but this in no way dims the spirit of such occasions and after the disruption of the last two years, there is an overwhelming sense of relief that Old Members and Friends are able to meet in College once again.

# Fundraising

As the Levine Building neared completion, the need to conclude the associated fundraising became increasingly urgent and most people on the database were sent either an appeal in the post or an invitation to attend an online presentation about the building. When I wrote my report last year, we still needed to raise a little over  $\pounds I$  million and I said that I hoped Old Members and Friends would rise to the challenge.

You have more than justified my faith, and although when I first wrote this the shortfall was  $\pounds_{32,000}$ , the target was reach soon after. We can never thank enough all those who have supported the building appeal and many other projects at Trinity so generously.

What a difference a year makes.

# **OUTREACH & ACCESS**

# A year of increasing engagement

Hannah Rolley Head of Access



The past year has seen an increase in the Outreach & Access team's engagement as we welcomed the return of in-person inbound visits and residentials, Open Days, and our work in schools and colleges in Oxfordshire, Milton Keynes and North East England.

# For students

Particularly welcome was the return to hosting school students in college, especially with the use of the new Levine Building, which provides so much in terms of facilities, forming such a welcoming space. A total of 1,171 students from 81 schools came on visits to college, mostly over the course of a single day, but with five residential programmes for 145 students from 20 schools in the North East, including a return of the North East Residential around the Open Days.

These included visits from primary school pupils; at the other end of the school-age spectrum, we were delighted to host 78 Trinity College offer holders to welcome events at the college in February and



A call for a Medicine subject session during the June Open Day

March. Students from the North East with offers to colleges across the University were invited to an offer holder event in Newcastle in March, with 48 students and 36 of their parents joining us. Aiming to offer a warm welcome, we evaluate these events closely and they show a pleasing response, in terms of greater enthusiasm for accepting the offer after attending these events.

# For parents

Our direct engagement with parents and carers continued apace in 2021-22, with mostly online events in the early evening for greatest convenience. Four hundred and thirty parents in Oxfordshire/Milton Keynes, and 313 in the North East—a 30 per cent increase on the 2020-21 figure joined us and fed back very positively, for instance in feeling better informed about the benefits and (crucially) the costs of higher education, and on supporting their young people with applications to Oxford and elsewhere.

# For teachers

As with much engagement with parents and carers, engaging with busy teachers from a wide variety of locations across the country in online sessions brings a greater likelihood they can join us in 'twilight' sessions. Our Teacher CPD (continuing professional development) programme is fully established and takes places across the year, timed to coincide with the phases of the admissions cycle. Supporting 95 participants in 2021-22, we were particularly pleased to be joined by 45 trainee teachers who were undertaking PGCEs at the University's Department of Educational Studies. It is delightful when such teachers join our network, returning to engage their new schools once employed.

# Partnership

Our work is so enhanced by our partnerships. Within the University, supporting programmes offering transformative experiences like Target Oxbridge—which helps UK black students and those with black African and Caribbean heritage increase their the Astrophoria Foundation Year, which we are delighted to support and which looks forward to its first participants arriving in Michaelmas term 2023. These fifty students will engage in a fully-funded programme in one of four broad courses, which on satisfactory completion will lead to one of twenty degree paths at the University.

Our partnership with Christ Church and St Anne's College, as the Oxford for North East Consortium, has seen further engagement, particularly on of a workshop, and we work with an increasing network of Trinity students and across the University, particularly those from the North East.

Partnering with external organisations enables us to harness well-developed expertise. Collaboration with the Brilliant Club, for instance, has delivered a programme across the North East for 120 Year 9 students participating in a research project that culminated in a residential in April. The Bridging Project has helped us support students



The North East Residential party of prospective applicants, student ambassadors, staff and visiting teachers

chances of getting into the Universities of Oxford or Cambridge—and UNIQ, a programme for state-school students from under-represented backgrounds, forms a key part of our quest to work with both disadvantaged and under-represented backgrounds. Opportunity Oxford, offering focused academic support at the very start of the degree for some, is now well established and building on that is the Aim for Oxford programme, which offers around 50 Year 12 students a year-long academic enrichment programme, culminating in an August residential.

Student Ambassadors form a key part of so much of our engagement; school students, teachers and parents so often comment that their input into sessions, and their enthusiasm and insight, has formed a highlight from first-generation backgrounds beginning at Trinity, and feedback from its initial 2021-22 programme for six students has been very positive, with one participant commenting that they 'feel more confident with university life and the coaching sessions have eased my sense of imposter syndrome.'

# THE LIBRARY

# New year, new buildings

Emma Sillett Librarian



This year brought the welcome return of students to the main library and a gradual easing of pandemic restrictions. Michaelmas term began with face masks on freshers' tours, and readers braved some brisk ventilation over the winter. Thankfully, by the time exam carnations adorned desks in spring, a sense of (near) normality was restored.

Alongside these small positive steps, some exciting long-term library improvements have also been afoot this year.

# New library spaces

The New Year saw us swap the temporary Lawns Pavilion for the new Jack Britton Library Foyer. This has given us an extra study space, staff area, new book self-service system, platform lift and much-needed storage.

Students rapidly adopted the mezzanine study space, while also enjoying the variety offered by the nearby Café and terrace without having to stray far from the library precincts. The platform lift has made



The War Memorial Library was emptied of its 48,500 books ready for its summer refurbishment

the building more accessible, as well as saving library staff endless shelving trips carrying heavy books!

Over the long vacation the main library was once again closed to readers, but for a worthwhile cause. This summer's refurbishment has revived the library's much-loved original features while further enhancing accessibility, upgrading the power supply for modern demands and improving comfort.

To enable the works to take place all the books needed to be removed —no small undertaking when there are 48,500 volumes to shift! Our professional bookmovers made this look easy, allowing the library team to breathe a sigh of relief.

I am immensely grateful for the dedication of the project team, college workshop and contractors in making the refurbishment a reality. At the end of the vacation it was exciting to anticipate inviting our students back after all their patience, and seeing the newly-restored shelves lined with books once more.

# Listening to our members

Emerging from a pandemic and looking ahead to a building upgrade motivated us to look afresh at how we do things. Encouraging involvement and providing space for library discussions have been priorities this year, mainly enabled by the new Library Committee and our first library survey.

The committee has drawn people together from across College to monitor the refurbishment plans and their impact on students. It is also a forum for sharing library activities, shaping decisions and taking on feedback. I am thankful for the group's time and insights, which help us make the library work better for everyone.

For the modest reward of a chocolate bar, students have given us extremely useful responses to this year's survey. While pleased with the obvious affection for the library, we are focusing on where we can improve further. Some feedback has directly informed refurbishment decisions, and student preferences have guided how we prioritise overhauling subject book collections with tutors. Not all concerns have a quick fix, but we aim to keep the conversation going so readers can keep influencing the library for the better.

# Sharing special collections

This year, it has been a delight to share the Old Library and Danson Library with visitors once again. We have hosted lunchtime student dropins, American summer school tours and alumni visits. We have also played a part in special college events, like the graduate leaver's dinner, college barbecue and the Ralph Bathurst Society dinner. The latter saw Alison Felstead reprise her talk on the erotica



Members of the MCR, Esther Soma, Rai Sengupta and Elizabeth Nwarueze, enjoyed a tour of the Old Library before their Leavers Dinner

collection, which unsurprisingly generated plenty of interest! There was also an opportunity to show off our inspiring botanical rare books to garden designer Chris Beardshaw ahead of the redesign of the long border.

The libraries continue to serve scholarship and this year has seen a bumper crop of academic enquiries reflecting the rich variety of material we hold. Researchers have been drawn to Sir Thomas Pope's founding book collection, the works of the explorer Richard Burton, Civil War maps, Wordsworth-owned book bindings, depictions of 'the Sable Venus', and obscenities in early dictionaries, to name just a few topics.

This is testament to the ongoing cataloguing work done behind the

scenes, which is making our rare books increasingly visible. The main library summer closure also gave us the perfect opportunity to boost awareness of Trinity's medieval manuscripts. With the help of our Bodleian colleagues, the library team set about learning XML code to make our catalogue records cross-searchable and available online for the first time. These records link to digital copies of the magisterial catalogue by Professor Richard Gameson (1982). This will make it easier than ever before for scholars to unlock the research potential of these otherwise hidden treasures.

Our long-term efforts to preserve these magnificent collections continue. Professional conservators have repaired a number of volumes, including the library's last surviving book with a chain. Thanks to our volunteer (and retired college librarian) Sharon Cure, we are able to take a more preventative approach through a rolling book cleaning programme. This unglamorous yet skilful intervention will extend the books' shelf lives for generations to come.

Finally, we are very grateful for the offers of book donations received over the past year. I am always pleased to hear from anyone who is thinking of gifting a book, though limited space means that unfortunately we cannot always accept them. The library donations policy is on the college website and details how donations to the library are handled.

# THE ARCHIVE

# Old Bursary secrets revealed

Clare Hopkins Archivist



The year took an interesting turn in April when, unexpectedly, I was driven into semi-exile from the Archive reading room and office as the year-long project to refurbish the Hall, Kitchen and SCR got underway. Happily the Archive itself has remained accessible, but for the duration the tower has no internet, thus rendering impossible such bread-and-butter activities as accessioning, cataloguing, answering email enquiries or even talking on the phone.

This Report therefore has been written at a hot desk in the shared office in the Levine Building, where I am endlessly grateful to colleagues in the academic, development, conference, access and other departments for their ever-friendly and helpful welcome. Archive readers have been equally appreciative of the comfortable, soundproof meeting room with its excellent light and generous table, while in-person exhibitions for alumni events have been temporarily relocated to one or other of the new teaching rooms until the Old Bursary comes back into use



Left, Jasdip Dhillon of the Oxford Conservation Consortium inspecting the bursar's 'notice board' inside the hinged panel in the Old Bursary

Right, the emergency rescue team in action: college archivist Clare Hopkins, former librarian Sharon Cure, chattels assistant Russell Dominian, former librarian Jan Martin, library shelver Joffrey Doma (MCR 2021). Brushes and microfibre cloths were used to remove soot and dirt from the documents before they were identified, briefly listed, and packed carefully in archive boxes. As far as is possible it is planned to restore the original filing system once the work on the Old Bursary is finished.

once more.

The Old Bursary is also having an interesting year. The fabric of this room is 14th-century and had already stood for over 200 years when Trinity was founded in 1555. Known originally as the 'low chamber'—the dropped floor level is believed to be 'ground zero' of Durham College it was then panelled as a common room in the 1660s. Today's name comes from the room's 19th-century use, with the epithet 'Old' added in 1888 when the Bursary moved across Durham Quad to staircase 10. The upper panels to the south of the door open to reveal an array of deep wooden drawers full of bundles of administrative records; these I listed many years ago when the decision was made to keep them in situ as a unique example of Victorian filing. What nobody knew—until the rewiring began—was that behind the lower panels were three additional drawers plus a series of pigeon-holes stuffed



'Grubb Cerberus', as David Loxley called his triple tandem bicycle Centre, David Loxley (1961); back, Jon Duerr (1961); front—we'd love to know!

with archives that had lain untouched for more than a century. The month of May saw an emergency operation to retrieve and identify hundreds of abandoned documents which included bundles of invoices, off-prints of Fellows' publications, timber surveys, bursarial correspondence, and the architect's plans for the 1828 staircase 14 extension to Garden Quad.

# **Donations to the Archive**

Such excitement aside, the year has seen more traditional highlights, not least some very welcome gifts of digitised photographs. We are extremely grateful to Old Members who take the time to sort through often large collections of films,

slides or prints, and provide not only images, but also identifications and commentary. Ira Skolnik (1985) has donated an exceptionally varied collection including photographs and cartoons of friends, tutors and college staff, not to mention posters relating to the Oxford Union activities of a certain blond acquaintance of his house-mate who had political ambitions. John Duerr (1962) used lockdown to perfect

his digitisation skills, and we were delighted to receive a USB stick containing some 200 images that ranged from snaps of the Trinity Eight at the boat house and on the river; the Trinity Players' production of Alls Well that Ends Well in the garden; friends both male and female relaxing in the JCR and elsewhere; a sherry party with the chaplain Leslie Houlden; and some early views of Trinity in colour. We reproduce a wonderfully evocative shot of 'Grubb Cerberus', as David Loxley (1961) called his triple tandem bicycle, being taken for a spin around Front Quad ahead of trip to Brussels in the Easter vacation of 1963.

A significant milestone was reached

this year, in the 1200th accession to the Archive since Trinity first appointed a fellow archivist in 1984. And the prize is...this special mention in the archive report! John Chadwick (1972) sent in four postcards from a set produced by Henry Stone & Son of Banbury. However humble and ephemeral postcards are, they can reveal many fascinating details that would otherwise be lost. How striking was the 1960s colour scheme of terracotta, battleship grey and pale yellow. How modern the plastic chandeliers. How understated, the flat matt and gilded plasterwork around the founder. How instantly recognisable-and how different!



The Hall as it looked 1960–1986—postcard donated by John Chadwick (1972)

# Moving into the Levine Building

**Chris Ferguson**, Estates Bursar, reports on the completion of the Levine Building construction project

are very pleased to report that the beautiful Levine Building was completed at Christmas 2021. As students arrived back for the start of Hilary term, the new facilities awaited them. The immediate response was a very positive one, with the Café and library foyer mezzanine both proving instantly popular as study spaces (leaving the War Memorial Library rather deserted). Meanwhile, the five new teaching rooms rapidly booked up and the Garden Room became the venue of choice for larger gatherings. And 46 lucky people upgraded their accommodation as the first occupants of the new en-suite student bedrooms.

Events in the de Jager Auditorium took a little longer to get started. We had resisted the urge to take bookings from day one, knowing that it would take a few weeks to get the hang of the AV equipment. So it proved, as the room was 'tuned' with the help of the Oxford music community, but by the time Alan Hollinghurst delivered the Richard Hillary Lecture in mid-February we were fully in business.



By the middle of May, it was hard to remember that the Wilderness had been part of the building site just a few months before

A series of events has followed and the auditorium has proved a hit with performers and audiences alike.

From a project point of view we were very happy with the outcome. The challenges posed by Covid meant that completion was three months later than originally planned. However, the project's finances remained within the original budget. The design and construction team should be commended for their excellent efforts. In particular, the building's beautiful design is the brain-child of Hugh Petter of Adam Architecture. Hugh persevered with his plans for a decade before finally seeing them come to fruition.

Meanwhile, we were ably guided past many potential pitfalls by our excellent project managers, Richard Todd and David Jobbins from Bidwells, supported by a very strong team of designers and consultants.

Finally, we were fortunate to secure the services of Gilbert Ash as our main contractor. Gilbert Ash approached the project with integrity, determination and a great deal of skill. We were in safe hands



throughout. They were as keen as we were to deliver an outstanding building and worked tirelessly to do so. After two years of working closely together we missed them when they left!

Though properly outside the time period of this Report, I am delighted to be able to end the final update on this project with some 'stop press' news. It has been heartening for all involved to see the Levine Building win two awards, being recognised nationally by the Georgian Group, for the Best New Building in a Georgian Context, and locally by the Oxford Preservation Trust (a winner in the Large Projects category). We hope that this is just the start of many centuries of contribution to the life of Trinity by this worthy new addition to the college.

Clockwise from top left: the Levine Building main entrance seen from the roof terrace; the main stairs; the entrance front from the Wilderness shortly after the removal of the builders' compound and hoardings; the roof terrace balustrade; students working in the Café; the new entrance to the War Memorial Library; one of the student kitchens



# Thank you for giving

This list records those who have given a gift or bequest in the financial year I August 2021 to 31 July 2022. Every effort is made to ensure the list is complete please contact the Alumni & Development Office to inform us of any omissions.

*†* Now deceased.

1941 Mr D le B Jones CB

1943 Dr B N McQuade

**1944** Professor G I Bonner †

**1945** The Revd E N Staines

**1947** Mr G V Holliday

1949 Anonymous (2) Mr H J M Hambrook

#### 1950

Anonymous Mr J H F Bown Mr M D Lambert Mr N F McCarthy Mr R M Young †

#### 1951

Mr P J Barrow Mr T B H Brunner Mr R E Mavor Mr J C Page MBE Mr G S P Peacocke Mr J A Strover

# 1952

The Revd A W Morrison

# 1953

Mr W N M Lawrence † Mr M R Ludlow The Revd Prebendary D M Morris Mr P S Trevis Mr J F E Upton

# 1954

Sir Hugo Brunner KCVO JP Mr F G Cochran Mr R A Dewhurst† Dr A J Edwards The Revd Canon A C Hall Mr N J T Jaques † Mr D M Wilson

#### 1955

Mr J S Allan Mr G P Germany† Mr A D Jenkins Mr H J Mackenzie OBE Dr D T Protheroe Mr M J V Wilkes

# 1956

Anonymous Mr D J F Fecci Professor J M B Hughes FRCP Professor M A Murch CBE Mr B R Rea Mr A Richardson Mr F N P Salaman Mr J B Walker

# 1957

Mr E A Bates Mr R M F Fletcher Dr I Flintoff Mr A V Fontes Mr G N Guinness Mr L D Jenkins Mr R M McNaught Dr R D Thirkell-White Mr M G L Thomas Mr W J Uzielli The Revd G F Warner Mr D J Weight

# 1958

Anonymous Mr J B Adams Mr N H G Armstrong-Flemming FCA (hon 1958) † Mr M F Attenborough Mr J H Bottomley Mr C G R Cary-Elwes Sir Anthony Cleaver FRCM HonFREng Mr R A Daniell Mr P B Farmer Mr C A Fry Mr W S C Gurney Mr A F Hohler Mr D H Killick Mr A G P Lang Mr F D A Maplethorp † Dr D G Parks-Smith Professor D J Pullen Mr I S T Senior Mr J A B Thompson Dr G A Tindale OBE Mr R D Welham

# 1959

Anonymous (2) Professor M Alexander Mr R J M Butler Mr M W D Evans His Honour Giles Forrester Mr M J Gould Mr A C Hutton CB Mr C R King-Farlow Mr P F J Macrory Dr J I McGill FRCS FRCOphth Professor B T Meadows The Hon P H Parsons Dr H E R Preston Mr P W Tilley Mr R A Travis

# 1960

Mr T A Bird Mr J D Blake Professor T R Brown Mr G D Carey Professor Sir Malcolm Green DM FRCP Mr R J B Guise Professor M C E Jones DLitt FSA Mr D F G Lewis The Revd R A Morris Mr J M Pargeter Mr M S Rainbow Dr J B Rossell Mr F A Smith

# 1961

Anonymous Mr R P F Barber OBF Dr D Barlow Mr R O Bernavs Mr T G Bewlev Mr P S Bradford Mr C J S Brearley CB Mr C J Hemsley Mr J G Hill Mr J M W Hogan Dr J G Loken The Revd Canon K W Noakes Mr M E Pellew CVO The Lord Petre Mr A D Stewart Mr C E Sundt Professor B F Tippett Mr A W Warren

# 1962

Anonymous Mr A M Bark Mr R G A Baxter Mr J H Duerr Mr P R Fitzgerald Dr D M Gillam Captain P W Hanley USN Mr M J Hatch Dr C P Jackson Dr John Tepper Marlin Mr C J Marsay Mr K J Merron Mr C P Robinson Mr P W Rolfe Professor Emeritus J D Sheridan Mr C J Simpson Mr A G Thorning CEng FRAeS

### 1963

Anonymous (2) Mr M B Baldwin Mr R E B Browne Mr R C Chatfield Mr P N M Glass Professor C Hall FRSE FREng Dr R D Hinge Dr S V Hunt FHEA Mr A I S Jennings Mr R B Landolt Sir Andrew Laurie Bt + Dr B D Ross Dr R L Rusby Mr A E G Rudebeck Mr R V Spencer Bernard Mr W N F Walsh Mr S W Westbrook

# 1964

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# 1967

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# 1969

Anonymous (3) Professor J F Biebuyck The Hon Mr Justice Cloete, *in memory of Bill Sloper* Mr A G Donald Mr M F Doswell Dr N C Elliott The Rt Revd C W Fletcher OBE Mr R S Goodall Mr C J G Harvey Mr R Jones † Dr C S Keeling-Roberts Professor R S G Knight The Revd Canon D M Lindsay Dr S J S Martin Mr P J Prickett Mr C M D Setterington Professor R G E Wymer

# 1970

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# 1971

Anonymous (2) Mr W J Annan Dr A E C Cowan Mr J R Haigh Mr J K Holroyde Mr S Lau Mr P J Lough Dr V Lowe Mr J R Magiera Mr N C Ollivant Dr N E Reynolds Mr P C Spencer Mr M W J Thorne

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### 1972

Anonymous The Rt Revd John Arnold Mr C D Baxter Mr J McN Boyd Mr H D Burnett Dr J D H Chadwick Mr E A Doran Mr S J Mitson Mr C H Parker Mr A D W Partridge The Revd Dr J Reader Mr C J Salter Mr H Shohet Dr C D G Stuart-Buttle

### 1973

Anonymous Mr A G K Bicknell Mr A N Buckley Dr R I Hallan Mr A J Hewitt Dr K A Manley Mr A A Murphy Mr A S Newman Professor R C Peveler The Rt Revd Dr S Platten FSA Mr R J B Rhodes Mr A J F Tucker Mr R A Wood

#### 1974

Mr J M Foster Mr P J Horsburgh Mr R M Hunter Mr P M Levine Mr R H Levine Mr P W Lodge Mr A Mangeot Mr J S W Partridge Mr R L Richards Mr H Shulman

#### 1975

Mr J Clipper Mr A J Cooper Dr D B Darby Mr A J de Mont Mr F G Doelger Mr D H Fitzherbert Mr C J Foy Mr D G Williams

# 1976

Mr M J Bowe Mr E S Dismorr Professor M G Everett Mr M J Haddrell Mr P J Lamphee Mr R J Milburn Mr C D Randell CBE Mr D I Reynolds Mr R C Sagrott Mr P D Strawbridge

#### 1977

Dr P R Abbott Mr S J Charles Mr M H S De Pulford Dr M Fowles Mr L P Johnson Professor I Marshall Mr C A Masback Mr A J Morgan The Revd D M Morris Dr C G Oakley Mr R M Parlour Mr S P Williams

# 1978

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#### 1979

Mr I N Abrey Dr M C Davies Professor M F Davis Mr M StJ Gibbon Miss O M E Hetreed Mr T B LeBon Mr D Moffat Mr J R Pascall Lady Sants (Mackenzie) Mr L C Wolff Mr R C Wright

# 1980

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# 1981

Anonymous (2) The Revd T M Codling Mr M A Corran Dr I Dunham Mrs A C Edelsten (Window) Mr S Ferris Mr A S Gillespie Mr G A Hudson Mrs C J Jackson (Symington) Mrs J M Lashly Mrs L MacKinnon (Sunderland) Mr J D B McGrigor Mrs F P Munn (Watson) Mr C W Parshall Mr C J Reilly Mr J D Rose Mr J F Tilbury

# 1982

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# 1983

Mr R J Baron Mr W A Carter Mrs C F S Clackson (Dowglass) Dr J A Henderson Mr D H Innes Mrs S Lewisohn (Collins) Ms N Massen Mr R P Paretzky Mrs A C Sheepshanks (Robertson) Mrs F M Tchen (Cottam) Mrs C L M Wilkes (Taylor)

# 1984

Mr J M R Glasspool Mrs A L Goodison (Scanlan Whitworth) Ms P J Locke Miss P M K Mayfield Mr R L Michel Ms R Rendle Dr K W Y Tan Bhala Dr John Vlahoplus

# 1985

Professor R K Bhala Mr P L Cunningham Mr P A Davies Mr C M Decker Ms R Jordano Shore Mr P M Kerr Mr B E Masojada Ms A Nicholls Mrs H T Reeve (Bunting) Mr A W Short Mrs A H L Smith (Fletcher) Mr J Spence Mr J A Thompson Mr I D G Whittaker

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# IN MEMORIAM

# **Mike Inwood**

(1944-2021) Fellow and Tutor in Philosophy 1967-2011 Emeritus Fellow 2011

ichael Inwood was born in south London on 12 February 1944. His father, William, was a London taxi driver and his mother, Jessie, a housewife. He read classics at University College, where he was taught by P F Strawson, J L Mackie, and Alasdair Macintyre. He graduated in 1966, was elected to his fellowship at Trinity in 1967, and served as a Tutorial Fellow in Philosophy until his retirement in 2011. He left a mark on his many students, not least through his warmth, his kindness, and a characteristic lightness of touch. He died on 31 December 2021.

Mike exemplified, in all his being, that which makes the Oxford tutorial system worth preserving. His was a fierce intelligence, supported by a depth of learning from across the philosophical landscape. But it was learning lightly worn and his complete lack of pretension set his students immediately at ease. He liked them, and they liked him, in part for his kindness and in part for the sheer enjoyment of talking philosophy with him. 'Right', he opened one tutorial,



Mike Inwood in his room, photographed in 2005 by John Baxter (1963)

'You have to crawl naked across a field of broken glass and have all your fingernails pulled out. But you get a million pounds, and you get to spend a night with the supermodel of your choice. Is it worth it?'

Tutorials with Mike were worth it. But it wasn't broken glass which students had to navigate. Instead piles of books and papers perched on every available surface. It looked, said one, as if a bomb had gone off in a library. Rarely was it clear that there was a route available to one of the chairs, if, that is, a chair could be found. Bags of fruit, bought from the market in Gloucester Green, nestled among the books. A phone would ring and Mike would hunt around to find its source. Many judged it, against stiff competition, the most chaotic room in Oxford. Its only change, not necessarily for the better, was the disappearance of the pipe smoke once Mike was no longer allowed to smoke in the room.

Mike treated his students as he treated everyone: as equals. He was dedicated to them, travelling 60 miles to visit a student who missed a term through illness, then offering to teach him through the Easter vacation to make sure that he hadn't missed out. He was an engaged and engaging tutor, committed to understanding his students and, with them, the ideas they were studying. Many of his students consider it one of the great blessings of their time in Oxford to have had Mike as a tutor.

Mike's initial appointment at Trinity was in Ancient Philosophy, and it was Plato whom he admired above all. But there seemed no philosopher of whom Mike was unaware and no book too obscure for it not to have been read, and annotated, somewhere in that room. This made him in demand as a tutor, capable as he was of taking tutorials in Aristotle, Plato, Aquinas, Kant, Hegel, Heidegger, and any in between. Colleagues at other colleges report numerous cases of turning to Mike in desperation to help with a last-minute student teaching request—and their relief, upon Mike's acceptance, of knowing that their student could not be in safer hands.

Mike was best known for his work on Hegel and Heidegger, two philosophers who are sometimes decried as purveyors of the kind of metaphysical nonsense which gives philosophy a bad name. *Das Nichts nichtet*, wrote Heidegger—a claim ridiculed in the Oxford philosophy of Mike's youth as 'the Nothing Noths', and used as a warning of what would happen if one strayed too far away from the sensible confines of Oxford philosophy. What a relief it was, then, to both students and colleagues to have Mike's careful and incisive

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account, not of what Hegel and Heidegger ought to have said, had they known some Oxford philosophy, but what they did say, conveyed in the crisp and readable style which he made his own. His translations, commentaries, and introductions to these philosophers were scholarly landmarks, instrumental in bringing them to new audiences.

Mike's wonderful paper on that line from Heidegger—'Does the Nothing Noth?'—serves as a perfect example of his philosophical skills and sensibilities. With care and attention, he fills in the context of Heidegger's claim, sets out the problems it was intended to solve, and sketches the shape of that solution—all in twenty pages of unimpeachable prose. It is informed by a sensibility which takes it as obvious that we cannot understand that which has value in Heidegger without understanding why he was inclined to make such provocative claims—there can be no success, he says, in separating the Dr Jekyll from the Mr Heidegger.

Mike was a regular in College right up until the start of the pandemic. He would fill his plate at lunch, then settle into the SCR with the papers. 'If an interview candidate mentioned Oedipus Rex', he once told me, 'I would lean forward and ask them: what exactly is wrong with sleeping with your mother?' There was a twinkle in his eye as he said it. The college will miss his intelligence, his kindness, and, above all, his warmth and humility.

Mike met his first wife, the distinguished Hellenist Christiane Sourvinou, when she was a DPhil student in Classics. She died in 2007. He met his second wife, Maria Teodorescu, through the college and she and her family were a great joy and comfort in the last part of his life. He is survived by his sister Jacqueline, his brother, the historian Stephen Inwood, and by Maria and her family. I am grateful to his students and friends, especially Edward Kanterian, for sharing their memories of Mike. Anil Gomes, Fellow and Tutor in Philosophy

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# **Bill Rae**

(1951 to 2021) Fellow and Tutor in Physics 1987-93

Bill Rae came to Oxford via Edinburgh, where he got the top first, becoming college lecturer at Trinity before succeeding the late Peter Fisher as Tutor in Physics in 1987.

Bill was a true Scotsman, dour at times, but those who knew him well remember a different and warmer side to his character. He certainly knew how to keep a straight face. A student once attended his tutorial in full frogman's diving gear, but Bill refused to be goaded and saw out the entire class as though there was nothing untoward. His graduate students remember him with affection, for his humour and his ability to make physics fun.

He was by common consent a brilliant nuclear physicist and one of the few able to engage effectively in both theory and experiment. His reputation was based on his novel 'Resonant Particle Spectroscopy' technique, where theory was combined with experiments on the tandem accelerator in Oxford's Nuclear Physics Laboratory. Occasionally he took his team to the UK's Nuclear Structure Facility in Cheshire, which involved major excursions shuttling equipment up and down the M6. From the outset he was wildly enthusiastic about computers and their potential for scientific research,



and his research group was the envy of others for the advanced computing capacity he managed to place at their disposal. He was recognised for his coding ability and was known to casually look over a student's shoulder, coffee mug in hand, and immediately spot errors in programming that they had struggled long and hard to see. He was the author of a sequence of major codes of increasing sophistication in nuclear shell theory that to this day form the benchmark for studies of the structure of the atom.

Bill was a popular invited speaker at conferences, where he would give very well-planned talks using a collection of plastic balls to illustrate different cluster configurations. He kept them in a box labelled 'spectroscopic spheres', but to everybody else they were simply known as 'Bill's balls'. A natural development of his work in resonant particle spectroscopy saw him conceive, initiate and partially build CHARISSA, a collaboration carrying out experiments at leading laboratories in the UK, France, the USA and Australia. He developed theory, wrote new code and personally designed the electronics for experiments that use advanced particle accelerators and complex detection systems. Bill's ideas, and his far-sightedness, have led to many new results and several important publications.

Bill moved from Trinity to become a fellow at St Cross in 1993, but in the time he was with us he was the driving force behind the project that saw an internal network created for communal document processing, followed by full ethernet networking that made Trinity the first Oxford college to offer internet in every college room.

Sadly Bill's brilliantly analytical mind was increasingly challenged as his health deteriorated. He was forced to retire in 2000 in the face of the debilitative effects of Parkinson's disease, though for a while he managed to carry on with physics and computing at his home in Garsington. He acquired a laser from eBay (of illegal power) and fitted it to his walking stick so that he could walk in a straight line by following the red dot on the ground. He lost the fight in January 2021, survived by his wife, Teresa, and sons Alastair and Andrew. Chris Prior, Emeritus Fellow

# Sir Christopher Hogg

(1936 to 2021) Scholar 1957, Honorary Fellow 1982



Aving won a scholarship in Classics while head boy at Marlborough College, Chris did National Service in the Parachute Regiment, seeing active service in both Cyprus and Suez, where he led 20 men into action from the back of a plane. Interviewed years later, he said it took him five years to recover and he did not want to talk about it at Trinity.

Before coming up in 1957 he was given permission to switch to English and duly gained a distinction in Prelims in 1958. Never a believer in the then fashionable mantra of 'effortless superiority' he was often first in Hall for breakfast, where other early arrivals learned that he had always done at least an hour's

work already. His qualities were soon recognised by his contemporaries and in 1959 he was elected president of the ICR, a role that he fulfilled, according to one member, 'quite brilliantly with both warmth and dignity'. He played a full part in college activities, from membership of the Claret Club, to playing on the wing in the Trinity rugby side that reached the semi-final of cuppers—a team led by Malcolm Phillips, England international and Oxford captain, and Blues Geoff Hines and John Adcock. His sporting achievements were recognised by election to Vincent's.

Asked by a friend after his last paper in Schools how he had done, he said that he feared he had got two alphabetas. This turned out to be right, but all the rest were alphas earning him a good First. Deciding to aim for a business career, he won a Harkness Fellowship to the Harvard Business School, where he was elected president of the student association.

In his final year at Trinity, Chris had met Anne Cathie, who became a familiar face in Trinity, and she followed him to the USA, where they were married in New York in 1961. She remembers that on their first visit back to Trinity they were greeted by Chris's scout, Barson, with the words, 'I'm delighted that Trinity's hospitality was so successful, Madam.'

Armed with his MBA 'with special distinction', Chris taught at IMEDE in Lausanne for a year before joining Hill Samuel 'to understand the City'. In 1966 he was seconded to the Industrial

Reorganisation Corporation, whose chairman, Sir Frank Kearton, then persuaded him to join Courtaulds. From 1968 to 1996 he moved from manager to director, CEO and chairman. Over the years he halved the workforce and streamlined the management, finally creating separate companies for textiles and fibres and paints. His performance led The *Times* to describe him as 'intimidating, intelligent, fair and logical in the extreme', his success being recognised by a knighthood and membership of the government's Industrial Development Advisory Board and the Court of the Bank of England. His other major chairmanships included Reuters, Glaxo Smith Kline and Allied Domecq. In 2004 he also retired from his favourite chairmanship, that of the National Theatre.

An adviser to the Cadbury Committee, he once described running a listed company as 'the greatest intellectual challenge available', so his last major role as chairman of the Financial Reporting Council from 2006 to 2010 seemed natural.

Following his divorce in 1997, Chris married Miriam Stoppard, who survives him. Chris's family remained vital to him to the end. Cressida, the younger of two daughters with Anne, follows in his footsteps; she will soon assume her second FTSE chairmanship. Meanwhile, in *Who's Who* he listed his favourite recreation as 'grandchildren'. Chris died on 7 December 2021.

Anthony Cleaver (1958), Honorary Fellow

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# Sir Charles Gray

(1942 to 2022) Scholar 1961; Honorary Fellow 2003

ir Charles Gray, High Court Judge and Honorary Fellow of Trinity, died on 3 March 2022. Charles came up to Trinity from Winchester on a major scholarship to read PPE. He lived the Trinity life to the full. He was tall, good looking and swept through College in his flowing scholar's gown. He was a natural sportsman, playing tennis and squash for the college. In fact he played all games with great flair and was almost apologetic about his success. He was effortlessly bright and had plenty of time to enjoy all the other things that university life had to offer. Charles had a wonderful turn of phrase, a great conversationalist with a lovely sense of humour.

He made lasting friends and together with a group of 11 other kindred spirits in his year formed a dining club, called the Dodecadents. The Dodecadents have met every year for dinner in Trinity since 1962.

After leaving Oxford, he was called to the bar at Lincoln's Inn in 1966 and joined a leading commercial and defamation set of chambers. In those early years at the bar, he would spend long hours late into the night reading proofs of *The Times* for libel while his contemporaries were living it up in the swinging sixties.

Charles became one of the leading libel lawyers of his generation, taking



silk in 1984 and later joining the High Court bench in 1998.

During his time practising at the bar, he was involved in many of the great libel cases, frequently sparring with George Carmen, one of the other leading advocates of his day. Perhaps Charles's greatest victory was the  $\pounds_{1.5m}$  damages (plus  $\pounds_{500,000}$ costs) that he won for Lord Aldington. accused by Nikolai Tolstoy of having issued an order resulting in the massacre of 70,000 Cossacks and anti-Tito Yugoslavs in 1945. Tolstoy likened Aldington to 'the worst butchers of Nazi Germany and Soviet Russia.' After this triumph and typical of Charles's sense of fairness and justice, he lobbied for a change in the system that allowed juries to award excessive 'pools win' damages by ensuring that such cases were tried by a judge and not a jury.

On the High Court Bench, he quickly made a name for himself as the judge in the notorious Holocaust denial case. in which David Irving sued Deborah Lipstadt and Penguin Books. Irving was accused of distorting the historical records, casting Hitler in a favourable light and refuting his responsibility for the Holocaust. Irving, who represented himself, famously referred in his closing speech to Mr Justice Gray as 'Mein Fuhrer'. Charles's judgement, subsequently published as a 334-page book, has been widely acclaimed and often used as an exemplar of a good judgement. One member of the Supreme Court has described it as the best judgement he has ever read. The case was featured in the 2016 film. Denial, starring amongst others, Alex Iennings as Mr Justice Grav!

After retirement from the bench in 2008, Charles spent much of his time gardening enthusiastically in Dorset, playing a mean game of tennis, birdwatching, walking and the occasional game of golf (where his erratic performance irritated him intensely). He was enormously fond of Trinity, very proud to be an Honorary Fellow and was a generous benefactor.

Charles was married three times, first to Ros Whinney which ended in divorce in 1990, then in 1995 to Suzie Astor (née Eveleigh), who died shortly after their marriage. In 2001 he married Cynthia (Cindy) Selby, who survives him. He had two children, Anya, who runs a holiday business in Cornwall, and Alexander, a police officer. Richard Bernays (1961), Honorary Fellow

# **Maurice Hicks**

(1927 to 2022) Porter/Custodian 1995-2010

A the onset of the Second World War, he and his younger brother were sent to stay with relatives in south Oxford, close to the old Oxford City Football ground. There Maurice's enthusiasm for the game was initiated. Eventually he became a valued and popular player for the City team, and a life-long supporter.

After school, Maurice joined the Army for the three years' National Service and was posted to Berlin. On returning to civilian life, he found employment with Morris Motors in Cowley. He was an inspector in the Export Division. It was during that time that he met and married Anne, with whom he had two children.

Maurice's link with Trinity started in 1995 when he came to work as a Lodge porter. He was dutiful and helpful, though at times he might appear dour and gruff (but usually with a mischievous twinkle in his eyes!) One of his chief characteristics was that of a humorous person, full of interesting anecdotes to entertain all in the Lodge.

He retired as as a porter the following year. However, when the college introduced charges for visitors in 2000 and needed someone to take



money at the gate, Maurice was invited back as one of the Custodians. He was housed in the converted garden shed opposite the lodge. This happy association with the college continued until he retired again in 2010.

Maurice maintained a modest life with a motto of 'loyalty, honesty and kindness'. He was rewarded with a loving family and many true friends.

In May 2022 he had the great joy of attending and watching Oxford City winning their final match of the 2021-22 football season. He died peacefully the very next day. A contented life well lived.

Russell Allen, Head Porter 1996 to 1999

# Rosemary 'Rose' Sloper (1943 to 2021) Bursary Assistant 1968-1979

R osemary Beesley came to Trinity to work in the college bursary. Here she first met Bill Sloper, her husband of almost 50 years. Bill was a scout, and they got together at the staff Christmas party in 1968 and married the following December. They lived initially in the flat over the President's garage, and later in a college house in Marston.

Although Rosemary left Trinity in 1979, to progress a career in college bursarial work, retiring from Hertford in 2004 after 25 years' loyal service, Bill remained at Trinity for his whole working life, and so Rosemary was very much involved in the college community.

After Bill retired they both loved to stay in touch with Trinity by means of its annual publications. When Bill died, Rosemary sent to the college archives a lovely tribute to him that she had written out very carefully and neatly, and on the phone she shared many lovely memories of their life together. They were both greatly blessed by having such a happy union together.

Clare Hopkins, Archivist

# Old Members

The college has learned recently of the deaths of the following members, obituaries of whom we hope to include in the 2022-23 Report:

Dr Brian Nicholl McQuade (1943), on 10 October 2022 Dr Derek Barber Lindsay (1946), on 1 November 2021

John Herbert Price Fox (1947), on 19 September 2022

Godfrey Vernon Holliday (1947), on 7 October 2022

Henry Joseph Millington 'Joe' Hambrook (1949), on 25 September 2022

David Lionel Harland (1950), on 27 July 2022

John Harmer Pattisson (1952), on 5 September 2022

The Revd Angus Wilson Morrison (1952), on 8 September 2022

Dr Michael Pearce Smith (1953), on 20 July 2022

Michael Richard Ludlow (1953), on 2 November 2022

Dr (James) Michael Gumpel FRCP (1954), on 5 October 2022

Anthony David Jenkins (1955), on 28 October 2022

David John Loveridge (1956), on 29 July 2022

David Fitzgerald Beauchamp (1959), on 27 August 2022 David Hugh Colvin CMG (1960), on 18 August 2022 David John Danson (1966),

on 29 August 2022

Nigel Ogilvie Ramage (1966), on 13 November 2022

Dr Michael Nicholson, former Lecturer in Russian, on 9 September 2022

The Revd Professor (James) Leslie Houlden, Chaplain 1960-1970, on 3 December 2022

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# Professor John Edward Clement Twarowski White CBE FSA

(Commoner as RAF Probationer 1942), who died in November 2021, aged 97, was one of Britain's most imaginatively creative and incisive art historians.

Joining the RAF straight from Ampleforth College, he spent two terms at Trinity, and subsequently served as a flying instructor in Canada. Leaving active service in 1947 he took a BA course at the Courtuald Institute and then gained his doctorate as a junior research fellow at the Warburg Institute. He began his teaching career at the Courtauld, moving in 1959 to become Pilkington Professor of the History of Art at Manchester University and director of the Whitworth Art Gallery. In 1966 he went to the United States to be chair of the department in John Hopkins University, returning in 1971 as Durning Laurence Professor at University College London. He remained there until his retirement in 1995, latterly serving as vice-provost and pro-provost.

John's initial research was on the development of pictorial perspective in the early Renaissance. He realised that the perspectival problems that preoccupied the Italian Trecento and Ouattrocento had earlier taxed the artists of Antiquity. His research culminated in his first book. The Birth and Rebirth of Pictorial Space (1957), which attempted to understand the constant tension between the artist's wish to portray the world he observes and experiences, and the flat surface on which his compositions were created. Many influential articles on Italian art and architecture followed. along with books, including Art and Architecture in Italy 1250–1400 (1966), and a monograph on Sienese painter Duccio (1979), which remains a fundamental contribution to current understanding of mediaeval workshop practice.

John had a larger-than-life aspect and combined a military bearing with enthusiastic generosity in helping younger scholars. He could be a formidably trenchant critic. On his retirement he effectively abandoned art history, devoting himself to gliding and then poetry, an interest that developed alongside his increasing engagement with Japanese civilisation; he collaborated in translations of poetry, and played a decisive role in establishing the Shogyoji Temple in London. He was proclaimed a distinguished *Bodhisattva* ('one whose goal is awakening') at his funeral ceremony. From the obituary by Julian Gardner in the *Burlington Magazine* 

# Dr (James) Gerald 'Gerry'

**Danaher** (Commoner 1943), GP and campaigner for worldwide family planning, was born in Thornaby-on-Tees in October 1925. Despite his parents' separation and the death of his sister Oonagh, Gerry enjoyed a happy childhood with 'total freedom'—riding horses, playing golf and spending school holidays with his mother and sisters at the seaside. Schooled at Blackrock, Dublin, and later at Ampleforth College, he was a keen sportsman and was captain of swimming and athletics at the latter.

Gerry studied medicine at Trinity, completing his clinical training at St Thomas'. House jobs at the Royal Waterloo Hospital and Chesterfield Royal followed, before he joined the RAMC for his National Service. A popular GP, Gerry held senior partnerships, while also caring for his parents and beloved niece following the death of his only remaining sister, Moira. Life changed when he met Mary, a nursing sister at Guy's, whom he married in 1973.

Following a move to Leicestershire

in 1975, Gerry continued in general practice and then as medical officer at Coalville Hospital, retiring in 1990. A devout Catholic, he had a lifelong interest in the causes of poverty. His firm belief that the rapid re-doubling of populations across sub-Saharan Africa and the Middle East is a driver of poverty meant he devoted his retirement to campaigning for worldwide access to contraception (see gerrydanaher.com).

Gerry was a kind, humble and generous man, whose natural warmth, keen intellect, and unfailing sense of humour made him wonderful company. A brilliant raconteur, he could talk knowledgeably and entertainingly on almost any subject or belt out old show tunes with great verve, but was never happier than when reading a book accompanied by a good measure of single malt. He died in February 2022, and is survived by Mary, their children James, Liz, Dan and Rose, and three grandchildren. Rose Danaher, daughter

# Anthony Ledward 'Tony' Wallers

(Commoner as RAF Probationer 1943), was born in Marylebone in August 1925. He was educated at Radley College and came to Trinity to read History, before volunteering for the RAF and leaving for training in Canada.

After the war he returned to London and in spite of having an ambition to be a stock broker, began a career in insurance at Lloyd's of London as a broker with Bland Payne. He was later a director of Willis Faber and Dumas and ran the firm's Lloyd's members agency for a number of years.

Once he had retired, in 1988, Tony fulfilled a long-term ambition and studied art history at the Courtauld Institute and was able to spend more time watching cricket and golf, which he followed avidly. He was an active and very skilled investor in the stock market and was admired in the investment community for his knowledge and sound investment strategies.

Tony married Paola Patterson in 1952 and they remained together until her death in 2015. He died in December 2021 and is survived by his sons Julian and Timothy and two grandchildren.

Julian Wallers, son

# John Ambrose Wrangham

Whitehead (Commoner as Naval Probationer 1943) was born in Wokingham in 1925 and grew up in Wimbledon. He went to Rottingdean prep school then Wellington College. A vivid memory from that time at Wellington was during the war. The boys slept in underground bunkers; one night the headmaster went out to say goodnight to the boys. As he left his lodgings, a German bomb landed right in front of him, killing him instantly.

On leaving school at 18 he went to Trinity as a naval probationer, involving half naval and half

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academic work, and in 1944 he joined the Navy full-time, being mainly employed in minesweeping off the coast of Holland. Once his ship set off a magnetic acoustic mine, but as the ship was old with a timber hull, being flexible it absorbed the blast with little damage.

After being demobbed in 1946 he finished his degree in PPE at Trinity and joined A A Whitehead Ltd, the shipbroking firm his grandfather had founded, as a chartering clerk. The firm was taken over by Nedlloyd; he became managing director and was a director of the Baltic Exchange from 1979 to 1982.

John lived most of his life in north-west Essex, enjoying a busy social and sporting life. He was very busy in retirement, secretary of the Rickling Green cricket club, Uttlesford district councillor, Essex county councillor, governor of many local schools and involved with various local charities.

He was married to Babette, who predeceased him. He died in June 2022, survived by his four children, his grandchildren and greatgrandchildren. Simon Whitehead, son

**Godfrey Lloyd Ackers** (Commoner as Naval Probationer 1944) was born in Sutton, Surrey, in August 1926, the first of three sons of George Lloyd and Silvia Ackers. In 1940 he went to the King's School Canterbury with a King's scholarship—the school had by then been evacuated to St



Godfrey Ackers (1944)

Austell in Cornwall, Godfrey left in 1944, and so was one of only about forty boys in the 600-year history of the school who never actually went to Canterbury!

In 1944 he came to Trinity on a naval short course for two terms, before active service that included minesweeping in the Mediterranean. He returned to Trinity in Hilary term 1948, sitting Engineering finals in 1950. During this time, although not seriously competing, he was sufficiently fast over half a mile to train with Roger Bannister during the build up to the 4-minute mile record.

Godfrey worked in Civil Engineering, with firms John Taylor and Sons and then Sir Murdoch Macdonald and Partners, until he retired in 1987. His engineering work was in water resource development and management but he had a special interest in contracts and was involved in drawing the FIDIC Conditions of Contract still in use in International Financing Institutions such as the World Bank.

In 1955 he married Wendy. He had two sons and a daughter, seven granddaughters, and two great grandchildren. His younger son, Tim died in 2017.

In retirement he and Wendy moved to Plymouth and he continued for a while with arbitration work, took up sailing, and wrote a variety of short, whimsical prose and poetry with attention to traditional metrical and rhyming rules, as well as his personal memoirs. He died in March 2022, from complications of Covid. Jeremy Ackers, son

# William Sturmy 'Willy' Cave

(Commoner 1945) was a television broadcaster, rally car navigator and pilot. He was born in January 1927 to Lorna (née Wishart, later Burmann) and William Cave and grew up in Hampshire, and later with his mother and stepfather in Buckinghamshire. Married and divorced twice, first to Julia in 1958 and later to Sam in 1971, he often joked that he was the most eligible bachelor in Barnes despite his advancing years.

After wartime evacuation in Canada, Willy attended Radley College and then came up to Trinity to read Engineering Science, where he restarted the University ski team and flew Tiger Moths at Abingdon. After graduating, he was called up for National Service, gaining his Wings flying Harvards and winning the RAF ski championship. As a member of the RAF Volunteer Reserve, he went on to fly Spitfires and early Meteor and Vampire jets. An avid air enthusiast, he was never without his flying maps and compass on family holidays, insisting on a window seat to track the flight's progress and sparking a lifelong fascination with geography in his grandchildren.

In a 26-year career at the BBC, Willy rose through the ranks to become studio director of the *Tonight* programme with Cliff Michelmore, working on outdoor broadcasts with Alan Whicker and becoming a founding member of the *Tomorrow's World* and *Horizon* teams. He was a pioneer of innovation in outdoor broadcasting, producing coverage of the maiden Concorde flights, covering the 1953 Coronation, a live climb of the Matterhorn and the first television satellite link-ups with Australia and Japan.

Although twice a BAFTA winner with the *Tonight* and *Tomorrow's World* teams, Willy joked that his proudest achievement was the introduction of coloured lane



Willy Cave (1945), left, after he and driver Brian Culcheth had won the 1971 RAC Round Britain Rally 1300cc class

indicators in swimming competitions to enable the viewer to tell who was in the lead no matter what the camera angle.

After the BBC, there followed ten years at Scotland Yard as the Metropolitan Police's first ever broadcasting advisor and a role as director of studies at the National Broadcasting School until its closure.

His life-long love of car rallying spanned more than 70 years, including stints in the MG, Standard-Triumph, BMC and Rover works teams, navigating and co-driving for the likes of Paddy Hopkirk and John Sprinzel and winning Best of British in the Monte Carlo rally, alongside countless other trophies. A navigator of the old school, increasingly frustrated at the introduction of satnav technology and known by his classic rally drivers as 'our secret weapon in the Alps', Willy was renowned for his meticulous preparation and was a familiar sight in Peter Barker's classic Mini Cooper, with stopwatch, compass and his ancient maps updated painstakingly by hand after watching countless hours of Tour de France footage, his interest being the roads, not the riders.

An enthusiastic skier and sailor into his early nineties, Willy died in March 2022, survived by his daughters Rosy and Vici and two grandchildren.

Rosy Cave, daughter

**Dr Hugh Nevill Hardy** (Commoner 1946), who has died at the age of 98, served as a dedicated and much-loved GP in the village of Forest Row in East Sussex from 1954 to 1987.

He was born in Birmingham in 1924 and attended Haileybury College. By the winter of 1943, he was a lieutenant in the King's Royal Rifle Corps, heading to fight in southern Italy. After some traumatic experiences on the battlefield, he was captured and for just over a year was a prisoner of war in Germany. He was 21. Hugh often said his time as a PoW gave him a privileged insight into the human condition, which stood him in good stead as a GP.

After the war, he studied medicine at Trinity, qualifying in 1952. He rowed and was in the Trinity Players, and often spoke of these days with warmth and affection; later he enjoyed returning for Gaudies and family garden parties.

Hugh made a number of good friends at Trinity, none more so than Bob Wood (1946), who was his best man when he married Mary Rose Gosling in Birmingham in 1952.

After completing his training at the Middlesex, Hugh applied for the role of junior partner in Forest Row, on the edge of Ashdown Forest. He struck up an instant rapport with the doctors there, recognising in each other a common humanity and integrity. Forest Row became home for Hugh, Mary Rose and their family for more than forty years.

Professionally, his timing was

perfect. He was just the right kind of GP during a golden age for the NHS. It allowed dedicated doctors to practice good community medicine for all, free at the point of delivery just as intended.

After he retired in 1987, Hugh and Mary Rose moved to Henfield in West Sussex. Latterly, he cared for Mary Rose after she developed dementia; she died in 2015. Hugh is survived by their four children, Tim, Mark, Cordelia and Simon, and five grandchildren.

Simon Hardy, son

# **Dr Derek Barber Lindsay**

**FNAS** (Commoner 1946) was born on Christmas Day 1927, in Wrexham and educated at the town's Grove Park Grammar School. His ambition was to study Biochemistry at Cambridge, one of only two universities then offering undergraduate courses in the subject. He was however unsuccessful and so came instead to Trinity to read Chemistry. Then he was offered a research scholarship for a DPhil in Biochemistry (his research would be on the regulation of glucose metabolism in rats) on condition that he first take a degree in Physiology, which he stayed at Trinity to do in two years.

In 1954 the then head of Biochemistry at Oxford, Professor Sir Rudolph Peters, moved to Cambridge to establish the Department of Biochemistry in the ARC Institute of Animal Physiology at Babraham. Derek, still working on his DPhil, was Sir Rudolph's very first appointee. There he was introduced to the special features of the digestion and intermediary metabolism of ruminants and wrote what was to be the first of several insightful and authoritative reviews on carbohydrate metabolism in ruminants.

Derek moved to the Department of Nutrition and Biochemistry at UNE in Australia in 1960, where he worked to systematically quantitate the whole-body metabolism of volatile fatty acids, glucose and other substrates in sheep, while also teaching biochemistry. In 1966 he was appointed head of his department. He moved back to Babraham in 1968 for a further 18 years, establishing collaborations with others on novel aspects of organ metabolism, before returning to Australia to spend the final seven years of his career at the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) Division of Tropical Agriculture at Rockhampton.

He returned again to England, to spend his retirement in Cambridge, still working in his subject into his 90s. He died in November 2021. Information from *Animal Production Science* (CSIRO, 2019)

# John Arthington Worsley

(Commoner 1947) lived his life to the full. He was born and grew up at Hovingham Hall in North Yorkshire, son of William Worsley, who later inherited the baronetcy of Hovingham Hall, and Joyce, née Brunner, whose brother Felix (1916) and nephews John (1945), Barnabas (1951), and Hugo (1954) were also members of Trinity, as was John's brother George (1948).

From Eton College, John came to Trinity (he was exempted from National Service on medical grounds) in Trinity term 1947 to read Law, but changed the following term to History. He took his finals in Michaelmas term 1949, but remained in College for the following Hilary term to complete the residence requirements.

His working life began in banking at Lazards, London, then Royal Trust, Morgan Trust and finally Cassells Blaikie in Toronto, having emigrated to Canada in 1957.

In 1954, in Montreal, John married Carolyn Hardinge—they had met in London but she had subsequently moved to Canada with her parents. They began their married life in a flat near Green Park in London, moving to Canada following the birth of their eldest child. They eventually settled on a 200-acre farm in Uxbridge, Ontario, where they were surrounded by bedlam: children, dogs (Irish wolfhounds to Yorkshire terriers) and pet lambs were often found wandering the house.

John planted trees on the farm from the start and later on allocated a majority of their woodlands to conservation. Once retired, he and Carolyn travelled around North America bird watching in their Winnebago. Binoculars in hand, a few years later, they repeated their 12-month journey—this time counter-clockwise!

After Carolyn died in 2007, John found friendship with Zoë Murray and spent summers in Sainte Agathe in Quebec. He died in March 2022, survived by his children Willa, Harry, Jonathan, Dickon and Katie, and 11 grandchildren.

From the obituary in the Globe & Mail

# William Francis Pennyman

**Hugonin** (Commoner 1948) spent most of his adult life in Alnwick, Northumberland, working for the Duke of Northumberland's estates from 1959 until his retirement as head agent in 1990.

He was born in London in August 1926, the elder son of Francis Hugonin, of the Royal Artillery, and educated at Eton. After three years National Service in the Coldstream Guards, spending some time in Germany and as a unit education officer, he came to Trinity to read Law in a shortened Final School.

Having begun working for Northumberland Estates, Bill was recognised by the then duke as an outstanding estate manager and was persuaded to take on and modernise the estates after the ravages of the Second World War and the ensuing difficult management and fiscal problems. Bill built the foundations of the modern estate and dedicated himself to it, while having many and varied interests within the wider community.

Among his many contributions to the life of Alnwick, he was a driving force behind the renovation of Alnwick's theatre, converting a derelict cinema into The Playhouse, which became a thriving cultural centre appealing to all ages and sections of local society, and among other interests, he gave the same tireless energy to both St Michael's Church and Alnwick Music Society. In recognition of his legacy to the town he was made an Honorary Freeman of Alnwick, the award being presented to him in March 2022, only two days before his death.

Bill was married to Daphne who died in 2010 and he is survived by their children, James, Serena, Camilla and three grandchildren.

From the tribute on the Alnwick Town Council website

# **Dr John Arthur Mitchell**

(Commoner 1948) came up to Trinity from Bradfield College to study Medicine. He was following a family tradition as his father, John, was a GP in Yeovil, while his grandfather was a professor of abdominal surgery (as well as an Ulster Unionist MP).

At Trinity he enjoyed sport, especially golf, playing on occasion for the Divots. He also began to explore the Christian faith and the nature of human personality based on reason, will and love.

He completed his training at the



John Mltchell (1948), at the lauch of his book, *Catching God at Work*, with the Revd James Dudley-Smith

London Hospital. After his year as a houseman, he signed up for National Service and was sent to Korea as a Medical Officer, and then to Hong Kong. There, on a raft in the middle of the harbour, he met his future wife, Shirley. He set out to impress her by entering a swimming race of about a mile across the harbour, only to 'limp home' in last place! They were married in 1959.

John joined his father in general practice, before joining a practice in Yeovil. He was endlessly interested in people and often described his work as a medical social worker, realising that life situation could play a very large part in illness and by engaging patients in conversation he would often discover this.

He was passionate about the

family and marriage, supporting organisations that promoted these institutions. He helped set up the Yeovil Community Family Project, for which he secured government funding, and he established the Friends of St John's, Yeovil, to help maintain the church where he worshipped for 70 years. In retirement he wrote a book, *Catching God at Work* (2010), which encompassed a lifetime of experience and reflection on his Christian faith.

John had a glorious sense of humour and was very good company. He loved music and his garden, and was an accomplished wood carver and restorer of antique furniture. He died in November 2021, survived by Shirley, their children, Robert, Jane and David, and eight grandchildren. David Mitchell, son

# **Dr Hugh Richard Overy**

(Commoner 1948) was born in Bromley, Kent, in January 1930, the third son of Thomas and Frances Overy. Thomas, who was later knighted, was a solicitor who cofounded the firm of Allen & Overy (two days before Hugh's birth). Hugh was educated at Radley College and came to Trinity to read Medicine. His elder brother Thomas (1942) had returned to Trinity after military service for a single term the previous year.

Hugh spent his National Service in Germany in the Royal Army Medical Corps, completed his residency at Westminster Hospital, and was a member of the Royal College of Physicians.

In 1962 he married Angela Farley, whom he had met while skiing in Zermatt, and the following year the couple emigrated to the United States, where Hugh took up a research fellowship in cardiology at the University of Colorado in Denver. He later set up his own cardiology practice and had a number of hospital and teaching roles, and was a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology, until his retirement in 1995.

Away from work, Hugh enjoyed skiing, fishing, sailing and tennis, and teaching these to his children. He took rafting and fishing trips to Alaska, built a lakeside log cabin and restored a 1929 Rolls Royce.

Hugh died in October 2021, survived by Angela, their children Richard, Charles and Alexandra, and seven grandchildren. From the obituary published in the *Denver Post* 

(John) Alexander Hector 'Alec' Porch (Commoner as RAC Probationer 1945). It seemed there was never any doubt that Alec would be a Trinity man; he was following in the footsteps of both his father, Robert (1894), and his elder brother, Robin (1939). The only debate was what he should read. His father would have liked him to study Classics, he was inclined towards Mathematics, so the compromise was a degree in History! He sat for a History scholarship in January
1945, but then took an RAC short course from April to September, before seeing active service with the 4th Queen's Own Hussars, and being awarded the Belt of Honour. He returned in 1948 and after History Finals in 1951 stayed on to take a Diploma in Education.

His career as a schoolmaster began with the position of assistant master at Abberley Hall School, near Worcester, where he met his wife to be, Ann. They then moved to Maidwell Hall School in Northamptonshire, where he was headmaster from 1963-78. He was modest about his accomplishments. but it was testament to his history teaching, in particular, that former pupils who have gone on to later success have acknowledged his part in interesting them in their subject. In 2017, military historian Sir Antony Beevor mentioned him in his interview on Desert Island Discs recalling, 'I had a wonderful history teacher called Alec Porch and I've always been eternally grateful to him.' Charles Spencer, in the foreword of his first historical publication, likewise acknowledged Alec for his early encouragement.

Alec retired from full-time teaching and moved to Norfolk in 1978, becoming a stalwart of his village community while continuing to provide private tuition to the many who sought him out. He frequently recounted fond memories of his time at Trinity—his only regret being that the possibility of a soccer Blue was ruled out by a stint in hospital with osteomyelitis. He died in January 2022, predeceased by Ann, survived by his daughter, Mary, four granddaughters and a greatgrandson. Mary Porch, daughter

### **David Norman Callender**

(Commoner 1949) was born in Norwich in July 1930, the only son of Alexander Callender, a schoolmaster. He was educated at Eton College and came to Trinity to read Modern Languages. He was a rowing Blue for two years, sinking, alas, with all hands in 1951, which, characteristically, he found funny. He rowed for Great Britain at the Olympic Games in Helsinki in 1952 and also in the European Championships.

After Trinity, he spent his two years of National Service in the Navy, where his language skills led him to the Russian Interpreters Course. After a short stint as a teacher at the Dragon School in Oxford, David returned to Eton to teach French. German and Russian for 35 years, where the love of his subjects and liveliness of his instruction were a renowned inspiration to his pupils. Sir Ranulph Fiennes, whose enthusiasm for languages David had inspired, kept in touch, even calling from the North Pole on his Transglobe Expedition.

He had a typically full career at Eton as head of German, river master, housemaster, chairman of the boat club and managing director of Eton Boat Builders. He was also the commanding officer of the Eton Combined Cadet Forces, in which his love of restoring vintage cars was put to good use, with the boys challenged to dismantle and put together a car and drive it the full length of a playing field in a race.

He retired to a cottage near Henley where he busied himself with furniture restoration, painting and gardening. He was often to be seen on the Thames rowing in a clinker skiff that he had restored. He is survived by his wife, Janet, and sons Ian and Andrew, five grandchildren and one great granddaughter. lan Callender, son

**Peter James Sperring** (Commoner 1949) was born in Wells in June 1931, the elder son of James Sperring, an Inland Revenue officer. He was educated at King Edward's School, Birmingham and, deferring National Service, came to Trinity to read History. He died in April 2021, survived by his wife Barbara.



James Lang Brown (1951) borrowed Robert Hughes' 'Dormoue' for 'a botanical foray to Wytham Wood' with Peter Wood (1951), whose obituary is on page 74, and two other friends. The photograph, donated to the Archive by James, is captioned, 'An unfortunate incident near the Trout.'

# 1950s

# **James Russell Lang Brown**

(Commoner 1951) was a passionate forester whose career spanned two continents and whose lifespan exceeded the pessimistic prognostications of doctors by some 60 years. He was born on 16 June 1931, a sickly child, and regularly hospitalised; nobody told him, however, that he was not expected to reach 30. Despite a disrupted education, many hours spent reading helped secure a place at Malvern College, where an 'old boy' inspired him to a lifelong love of forestry.

He matriculated at Trinity in 1951, and immediately threw himself into Oxford life, performing with the Trinity Players and Singers, playing squash, and climbing in the Lake District and Cairngorms with the University Exploration and Climbing Clubs. Somehow, he managed a Third in Botany, and embarked on the yearlong Overseas Forestry Course.

James spent almost a decade as Assistant Conservator of Forests in Uganda, a country that he grew to love. For two years he wrote almost daily to his fiancée Elisabeth; they were married in 1957 when he returned to Oxford to complete a further year's training. James' letters, and subsequently Elisabeth's 'safari reports' to her parents, were to be the basis of the Uganda Diary which James published in 2011, chronicling a mix of exciting travel and adventure, and the increasingly turbulent situation as the 'British protectorate' moved towards independence.

In 1964 they settled in Somerset where James started his own forestry management firm, specialising in conservation and landscaping. In 1992 he was elected a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Foresters. Always energetic, he continued singing, started sailing, and took great pleasure in returning to Trinity at every opportunity. Elisabeth died in 2011, having helped prepare but not seen *Uganda Diary* published. James remarried in 2015, to Elizabeth, and was widowed again in 2016.

James was an enthusiastic supporter of the Trinity Archive, getting in touch most recently to acquire some images of 1950s Trinity with which to entertain his old friend Peter Wood (1951), who had moved into residential care. James and Peter died within a week of each other, James on 21 October 2021.

Clare Hopkins, archivist



Colin Haigh Smith (1951), while sailing the Atlantic

# **Dr Colin Haigh Smith FRCGP**

(Minor Scholar 1951), as a child, was impressed by the reassuring influence of the local doctor, and his career path was settled. He read medicine at Trinity, which he loved and where he was a member of the Music Society and the Boat Club (he claimed to have tied his Boat Club tie to a pinnacle of the Radcliffe Camera). Then he took a year off to sail the Atlantic aboard a Bristol Channel pilot cutter, where he met his future wife, Celia. On landing at Manhattan they were welcomed by Richard Nixon.

Realising after qualifying that he could fulfil his National Service using his medical skills, he went to work in Lesotho (and later wrote a book about his experiences). He invited Celia to join him, and there they were married in 1960.

After three years they returned to settle in Kent. There he became deeply involved with the local people; through his work as family doctor and GP trainer, and also in protecting the countryside. He founded the Dickens Country Protection Society to safeguard the Cliffe Marshes from the incursion of industry; they remain protected to this day.

In 1996 Colin and Celia retired to Dorset, where Colin dedicated himself to the local church. He was also preoccupied with historic and current world events, and alongside his Christian beliefs he was a supporter of other faiths (he and Celia travelled to Ramallah to visit Yasser Arafat in his bunker). He was a voracious reader and talented amateur musician, artist and writer. His fascination with all aspects of the world led him to constantly experiment with creative techniques, his extraordinary brain being both scientific and artistic.

He suffered heart failure and a stroke, and died in July 2022. He is remembered for his dedication, generosity of spirit and enormous sense of fun. He is survived by Celia, and daughters Clare, Philippa and Diana. His son Peter predeceased him. Clare Gregory-Smith and Celia Smith

# Sir Patrick Jeremy Walker KCB

(Minor Scholar 1951) was director general of MI5 from 1988 to 1992, just at the point that the service was beginning to emerge from the shadows. He was born in 1932, in Kuala-Lumpar, Malaya, where his father was a colonial official. From King's School, Canterbury, he came to Trinity to read History—and won a hockey Blue—returning a year after taking finals for a one-year Colonial Service course.

Ineligible for National Service having been born in Malaya and domiciled in Alderney-Patrick entered the Colonial Service directly from Trinity, with a period of service in the pre-independence government of Uganda. He joined the Security Service MI<sub>5</sub> in 1963 and worked in both the counter-terrorist and counter-espionage branches, playing a leading role in the operation that led to the expulsion of over 100 Soviet intelligence officials in 1971. In a posting to the Belfast office, he specialised in police issues and improved relationships with counterparts in Ireland and on the Continent.

Back in London, he led the section responsible for counter-terrorism before being appointed as director general of MI5 at the end of 1987. The following year the service became embroiled in controversy over the shooting dead of three members of the Provisional IRA in Gibraltar by members of the SAS assigned to MI5; in December of the same year, the Lockerbie plane bombing would lead to years of enquiries and analysis of considerable evidence by the service. Patrick oversaw the service's transition though the end of the Cold War and was instrumental in its modernisation (until 1989 the service was not officially recognised; with his predecessor, Patrick persuaded the Government it needed to have official and legal status). He retired in 1992 and became chairman of the International Committee of the Leonard Cheshire Foundation, and later chaired the board of governors of Nene College, steering it to university status as the University of Northampton.

In 1955 he married Susan Hastings, whom he had first met in the kitchen of his Oxford digs. He died in October 2021, survived by Susan, their sons, Adrian and Nic, daughter Charlotte and nine grandchildren. From the obituary in *The Times* 

# Peter Joseph Wood OBE

(Commoner 1951), who died in October 2021, was educated at Newbury Grammar school and was awarded a place at Trinity to read Botany. As an undergraduate he was a member of the University Mountaineering Club, sang, and learnt to sail. In 1953 he spent a summer walking across Iceland with fellow student and life-long friend James Lang Brown (1951, see page 72). Carrying all their kit they walked 100 miles and Peter made time for mountaineering, botany, birdwatching, photography and painting.

After graduating in 1954 he fulfilled his National Service in Germany with the Royal Artillery. He returned to Trinity to study Forestry, before joining the Colonial Service. In 1957 he went to Tanganyika (now mainland Tanzania) and found himself, aged 24, responsible for the forests of West Kilimanjaro. Colonial staff in Tanganyika were not permitted to marry until they had passed their Kiswahili exams. Peter had great incentive to master the language proficiently so that he could return to England in 1958 and marry his fiancée, Stella Poole, to whom he had written 258 letters in the year that he was away!

Together they spent 12 years in different parts of Tanganyika, after which Peter took up a position in the Unit of Tropical Silviculture at the Commonwealth Forestry Institute in Oxford. He also lectured in Biology at Trinity, and Stella joined the staff of the College Office. During these years Peter was delighted to rent a cellar from the college to store his personal wine collection. He maintained a lifelong interest in the wines of France and was an experienced amateur wine taster.

In 1983, after 25 years of marriage and a silver wedding party held in the Danson Room, they returned to East Africa, to Kenya, where Peter worked with the International Council for Research in Agroforestry (ICRAF). Back in Oxford in 1988, Peter was thrilled when his daughter Clare undertook a one-year MSc in Forestry and found she had been given a room in Kettell Hall that he had occupied as an undergraduate. Peter's last full-time role was as Forestry Adviser to the Overseas Development Administration. He was awarded an OBE in 2002 for his services to forestry in the Commonwealth, in recognition of the close links he forged and maintained during his career. Stella died in 2018, just short of their 60th wedding anniversary. Peter is survived by their daughters Anne, Charlotte and Clare. Clare Bostock-Wood (1988), daughter

#### Peter Wilmer Watson (Minor

Scholar 1952) was born in September 1933, in Woking, the only son of Thomas Watson, a company director. Peter was educated at Blundell's School in Devon, and came to Trinity to read Classics. He won a rugby Blue and was a Whitehead Travelling scholar in his final year. He met his wife Ann in his second year at Trinity, while she was working for the University Appointments Board and they married in 1959.

Peter was involved in the wholesale wine trade and lived in Surrey and the Midlands before returning to live in Ann's family home in Gosford, just north of Oxford, in 1985. In 2002 Ann was killed in an accident on the M6. In 2013, at the age of 79, Peter married Judith Knapp; their wedding was held in the college chapel.

Peter enjoyed returning regularly to Trinity; the last event he attended was the reunion dinner for Whitehead Travelling Scholars, held in the Old Bursary in 2019. He died in November 2021.



Peter Watson at a dinner in College in 2016

### **Roger Barrington Hadlee**

(Commoner 1953) was born in Ilford, Essex in January 1935, the only son of Barrington Hadlee, a bank official. He was educated at St Edward's School, Oxford, and came to Trinity to read Law.

After Trinity he served as a subaltern in the Royal Dragoons for two years, and was then a marketing executive at Pfizer Ltd, after which he worked for Nabisco Foods, Donald MacPherson Group, and from 1968 to 1974 as director of the British Printing Corporation.

He was an art dealer and with his wife Jill—with whom he had three daughters—ran a second-hand goods retail business in Colchester. Roger enjoyed tennis, sailing, cricket, was a member of the MCC and the Free Foresters. Latterly he and Jill lived in a medieval house in Essex, which they worked on restoring and showing to visiting groups. He died in July 2021.

### (Walter Nicholas) Murray

Lawrence (Commoner 1953) was born in February 1935. Having overcome childhood illnesses, he came to Trinity straight from Winchester College, to study History, which led to a lifelong interest in and curiosity about historical events. However, it appears he never put his studies ahead of his interest in golf. He had captained the cricket team at Winchester and went on to play first-class cricket for Oxford University in 1954. However, golf became his passion. He enjoyed it to such an extent he managed to play every day during his final year and was slightly indignant that the authorities did not let him stay on a further year. He formed many lifelong friendships from his time at Oxford.

After Trinity, he moved to London and started as an underwriter with C T Bowring. He was lead underwriter when the Lloyd's Act of 1982 took place and he set up the Murray Lawrence Agency. He was elected to the council of Lloyd's and became chairman from 1988 to 1990. Following his retirement, he was captain of Royal St George's Golf Club during the Open in 1993. He played for the Oxford University Golf Club throughout his life and was a great supporter of younger members.

Murray married Sally O'Dwyer in 1961. He showed loyalty and love to her throughout his retirement after she had contracted Parkinson's, devoting many years to her care until her death in 2008. He loved his family as well as travel, and took a huge interest in the younger generations, supporting them in sport and education. Murray died in November 2021, survived by his daughters, Sarah and Catherine, eight grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Catherine Elliott, daughter

# (Francis) Gordon Cochran

(Commoner 1954) was born in April 1934 in Aberdeen, the son of David Cochran (Commoner 1919), a lawyer. He was educated at Loretto School in Edinburgh.

In 1953 Gordon was called up for two years National Service. Having completed his Officer Cadet training at Eaton Hall in Cheshire (where the majority of National Service Officers underwent their training), he was posted to 1st Battalion The Gordon Highlanders, which was deployed on operations in Malaya. He was posted to 'C' Company at Dangi, but in February 1954 he was hospitalised for six months after being involved in an accidental shooting.

His National Service ended upon his release from hospital and he came to Trinity to read Law, after which he went to the University of Aberdeen. He joined the TA in his first year at Trinity, serving from 1954 to 1963 firstly with 4th/7th Battalion Gordon Highlanders in Aberdeen and then the 3rd Battalion after the amalgamation of the 4th/7th Battalion with the 5th/6th (Banff, Buchan and Donside) Battalion.

Having qualified as a solicitor in 1960-61, Gordon became a partner with Adam, Cochran & Co in Aberdeen. He was a great supporter of the Regimental Association, and also the Gordon Highlanders London Association, when he moved from Aberdeen to London in 1994. He was also a trustee and legal adviser for the Gordon Highlanders Association Trust.

Gordon married Jill Reynolds in September 1963; sadly she predeceased him. He died in June 2022 survived by his sons Neil, Jeremy and Michael, his daughter Nicola, and eight grandchildren, and by his brother Hugh (Commoner 1950). Nicola Zacharia, daughter

Adrian Francis Rudd (Commoner 1955) was the younger son of Henry Rudd, an engineer, born in August 1934, and educated in the Salesian College, Battersea. After National Service as a technician with the RAF, he came to Trinity to read Geology. He died in November 2021, survived by his wife Jo, their children Richard, Gabrielle and Victoria, and nine grandchildren.

### George William 'Bill' Strahan

(Commoner 1955) was born in 1937 in Belfast, the only son of George Strahan, a solicitor, and was educated at Portora Royal School, Enniskillen. Being resident in Northern Ireland he was ineligible for National Service; he came to Trinity read Law and was a member of the Boat Club. He worked in Northern Ireland in the field of banking law. He died in August 2020 survived by his wife Mary and their family.

### Anthony Eric Wieler OStJ

(Commoner, 1955) was born in June 1937, the younger son of Leslie Wieler, an army officer who was later to be governor of the Tower of London. Anthony was an enthusiastic modern pentathlete, and in the same year as he came up to Trinity, he and his friend Bjorn Thofelt, who had won the individual pentathlon world title the previous year, drew the interest of tourists as they ran round the Tower of London moat until close to exhaustion, part of an effort to bring the army-dominated sport to wider attention.

Anthony came to Trinity, from Shrewsbury School, to read History and in Oxford he founded the University's Modern Pentathlon Association and instigated the first Varsity match in 1958.

Another of Anthony's passions was the welfare of the Gurkha veterans. which came about following National Service, from 1958, in the 7th Duke of Edinburgh's Own Gurkha Rifles. (He was sent to Hong Kong, where he was charged with organising some sporting activities.) In 1970 he launched a fundraising campaign, aiming to help thousands of Gurkha veterans facing poverty after returning as civilians to Nepal. A letter in The Times from eight field marshalls and a series of galas and premières launched the appeal, which raised  $\pounds_{1.5}$  million (about  $\pounds_{28}$  million today).

After National Service, Anthony began a City career, first in the family stockbroking business, L Messel and Co, and then at Ionian Bank. He ran his own trust management company in the 1970s and '80s, and he joined the Centre for Policy Studies thinktank, founded in 1974 by Margaret Thatcher and Keith Joseph to champion economic liberalism.

In retirement he served as president and chairman of the Britain-Nepal Chamber of Commerce and supported the Gurkha Welfare Trust. In 1998 he was installed in the Most Puissant Order of the Gorkha Dakshina Bahu (an order of knighthood) by the King of Nepal. He never married and lived for many years in a house in the grounds of his childhood home in Hambledon Surrey. He died in April 2022.

From the obituary in The Times

# **Constantine John 'Costa' Carras**

(Scholar 1956) was a campaigner for Greek democracy and the protection of Greece's cultural heritage, who, with his wife co-founded the Greek Society for the Environment and Cultural Heritage.

Costa was born in 1938, in England, the son of John Carras, a ship owner, and Maria (née Vernikou). His mother contributed to Greek humanitarian aid during and after the Second World War, and it was through her that Costa was later inspired to fight for political change. Aged two he was sent to stay with relatives in New York, returning six years later, when he went to Harrow School. He came to Trinity to read Classics. For his finals results he won a £10 prize in books, while an example of his Greek verse composition was preserved in Higham's Liber Aureus ('golden

book') of his pupils' best work.

He might have gone on to become an academic, but duty called him into the family business, which involved visits to Japan where his father had business interests. On the shipping side, Carras was mindful of the sailors' well-being, among other things he insisted there should be a decent library on the ships for the benefit of the crew.

Following the return of Greek democracy in 1974 and the Turkish invasion and partition of Cyprus, Costa used connections to form a parliamentary lobby group, the Friends of Cyprus, and worked to bring prominent Greek and Turkish Cypriots together. Later, when war followed the fall of communism in the Balkans, he established the Centre for Democracy and Reconciliation in Southeast Europe, which involved the joint effort of hundreds of historians in creating teaching material on the conflict.

Costa married Lydia Potamianou, a reporter and campaigner, in 1970 they had met after she travelled to London hoping to track him down and enlist his support against Greece's military dictatorship. After the restoration of democracy Costa helped to draft provisions for cultural and environmental protection into the new constitution. The couple's campaigning work helped save many important sites.

Costa spent the final three decades of his life in the historic Plaka district of Athens, where he and Lydia provided a base for hospitality and campaigning. Costa died in February 2022. Lydia survives him with their son, Iannis, a historian, and daughter, Maria-Thalia, an art curator and writer.

From the obituary in The Times

# (James) Colin Eden Webster OBE

(Commoner 1956) came to Trinity to read PPE, following in the footsteps of his father, George Webster (1924), a Jamaican Rhodes Scholar. Not only did he gain a good degree, but the friendships he made at Trinity endured for more than six decades. Colin also retained close links to College, as chairman of the Trinity Society and a member of the Ralph Bathurst Society.

Colin was born in Rangoon, Burma and spent his early years in Burma and India before returning to school in England. He was head boy at Wellington College, before receiving a national service commission in the Coldstream Guards. After graduating from Oxford, Colin joined the BP graduate training scheme and over the next thirty years he worked in the UK, Denmark and the USA. He met and married Suzy Scarff on his first posting to New York and twenty years later returned to the US as executive vice-president of BP America. He subsequently joined CEGB prior to its privatisation, becoming CEO of National Power UK. In retirement, Colin was chair of Connex Rail, and CEO of Opportunity International.

Colin was able to indulge his life-



Colin Webster (1956), at an event to celebrate the reopening of the restored chapel in 2016

long love of opera by joining the board of the Welsh National Opera, and for his 80th birthday Colin's family arranged for a soprano to perform for him at home. He was also a great sportsman, but his greatest passion was sailing and he and Suzy shared their sailing adventures with family and friends in the Solent, the Great Lakes, the Mediterranean and further afield.

Colin's greatest pride, however, was his family. He and Suzy were happily married for 53 years—until her death in 2018—and gave their three children, Vanessa, Alex and Ben an idyllic childhood and delighted in their seven grandchildren. Colin died in February 2022. Vanessa Emmett, daughter

# **Professor James Bromfield Brow**

(Commoner 1957) was born in May 1937 in Ipswich, one of three sons of Keith Phorson Brow and Mary (née Bromfield).

He attended Bradfield College where he was an active cricket player. From there he entered National Service and was a sub-lieutenant with the Fleet Air Arm of the Royal Navy, serving as a flight navigator on the HMS *Ark Royal*.

James then came to Trinity to read Modern History. He graduated with a First in 1960. A long-time music enthusiast, he moved to New York City to be a jazz musician. After working as a DJ on radio stations in Canada, he made his way to Seattle, Washington where he met his future wife, Catherine Judith Buck. Both began attending graduate school studying cultural anthropology at the University of Washington, where they were under the tutelage of the renowned Sri Lankan anthropologist Gananath Obeyeskere. After doing field research in Sri Lanka, James received his PhD in anthropology and published his dissertation.

James began his academic career at Swathmore College in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania before joining the Department of Anthropology at the University of Texas in Austin. He was a member of the department for 25 years, serving as chair for eight years, as well as being the founding director of the South Asia Institute at the University of Texas.

After retiring, James and Judy retired to Topanga, California. James died in January 2022. Judy predeceased him in 2019. He is survived by his daughter Ranjani, his son Geoffrey, and grandson Nicholas. Geoffrey Brow, son

# Patrick John Oxford Evans

(Commoner 1957) was born in 1936 in London, the younger son of Harry Evans, a civil servant in India. He was educated at Bromsgrove School. He came to Trinity to read History; and to play hockey, as a member of the 1959-60 cuppers-winning team. He lived latterly in France and died in July 2019, survived by his wife Maggy.

**David Ewart Horne** (Commoner 1957) was born in Muswell Hill in December 1937, son of schoolteachers Dafydd and Ruth Horne. To escape the Blitz, the family moved to Devizes and then in 1949 to Chichester, where Dafydd was appointed headmaster of one of the first secondary modern schools. Tragically Dafydd died a few months later, when David was just 12. Consequently, David was offered a place at Christ's Hospital school, and from there came to Trinity to read Physics. On the sporting side, he excelled at rugby.

David went to London to take a PGCE, to continue in the family profession, with his first post as a physics teacher at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh. There his interest in the development of all aspects of the child began to emerge; he encouraged pupils to join in many extracurricular activities, and started the school's sailing club.

He moved to become senior physics teacher and a deputy housemaster at Stowe School. Several posts followed, with his final post being deputy head of a new comprehensive school in Taunton. There he was responsible for the new curriculum, and he delighted in designing procedures for the development of each yearly timetable. He became a member of the Somerset County Education team that developed computer timetabling software for the county, later rolled out to comprehensive schools nationally.

David cared deeply for people and sought to bring out all that someone could achieve through encouragement and discussion, albeit sometimes offering advice when not asked for! His skill with his hands stretched to building his own dinghy, and rebuilding cars (once making a 'TR 3.5' out of wrecks of a Triumph TR3 and a TR4). With his wife Susan, he enjoyed buying up and remodelling sometimes quite run-down houses in rural Somerset—their children, Simon, Karen, Kelvin and Sarah, became adept at moving house. On retiring, he and Susan farmed and bred Dexter cattle on a smallholding. David died in June 2022, predeceased by Susan. Sarah Kidner, daughter

Andrew Timothy Marsden (Scholar 1957) was born in London in 1939, the third son of George Marsden, a barrister. Educated at Downside School, he came to Trinity to read Classics. He died in 2020.

# **Robert Spencer Simpson MBE**

(Minor Scholar 1958) was born in 1939. He boarded at Sherborne School where he was head boy and then came to Trinity to study Physics. He became involved with the Oxford



Robert Simpson (1958), on the Lawns

University Dramatic Society (OUDS) where he participated enthusiastically by operating the lighting for the stage—a portent of his future career, which included providing lighting for concerts such as Pink Floyd at Earl's Court.

After graduating in 1961, and following a spell at Recorded Sound, Robert, with two others, set up a company called Electrosonic Ltd. Their offices consisted of two rooms above the vegetable market in Greenwich. Rapidly establishing themselves as leaders in the new world of the 'audio-visual' industry they went on to forge a successful company, winning the Queen's Award for Exports Achievement in 1978 and being involved in a wide range of high profile projects: from the Kennedy Space Centre, to the British Library and the Stonehenge Visitor Centre, Electrosonic was particularly acknowledged for its videowall technology, 'Picbloc', which Robert had played an integral part in designing.

Electrosonic joined forces with Helvar in the 1990s, another significant player in the lighting world. While latterly taking more of a back seat, Robert never really left the company, remaining in regular contact. In 2017 he was awarded the MBE for his services to the audiovisual industry; indeed, he was one of its most significant pioneers.

Robert married Frances, whom he met during his Oxford days, and they went on to have three children, Sarah, John and Hilary, although sadly, Hilary died in 1976. After a few years in London, the family moved to Kent in the early 1970s, and Robert and Frances still lived in the same house at the time of his death, in April 2022.

Robert remembered his days at Trinity with affection and returned often for college lunches, very happy to meet and catch up with other Old Members.

Sarah Simpson, daughter

### **Alastair John Peter Macdonald**

(Commoner 1959) was a leading civil servant in the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), who organised the privatisation of British Telecom, then the biggest privatisation in British history, which despite some scepticism was considered a success.

Alastair was born in Twickenham and went to school at Wimbledon College. After spending a summer working in Foyles bookshop, he came to Trinity to read Modern History, part of the first intake not to have done National Service. He became involved with the *Isis* magazine (alongside Richard Ingrams and others who went off to start *Private Eye*), and was later editor.

After graduating, he got jobs with the *Spectator* and the *Financial Times*. At the *FT* he wrote features about different industries, which he likened to going to business school, and spent a year in the *FT's* office in Washington DC. There British Embassy staff encouraged him to consider a job in the Civil Service, and following that advice, he took and passed the entrance exam in 1968.

Starting in the Department of Economic Affairs, by 1971 he was at the DTI. He served as undersecretary for information technology in the early 1980s, involved in the promotion of the burgeoning industry, including events held in schools. and for a time was seconded to the MoD. He went on to be directorgeneral for industry, overseeing industrial policy, before retiring in 2000. One of his post-retirement roles was a civil service commissioner. helping to regulate the appointment of senior civil servants. During his career he gained a reputation for his conscientiousness, discretion and probity-he was renowned for insisting on paying, from his own pocket, his half of the bill for a lunch with a journalist.

While working at the *FT*, Alastair met Jane Morris, and they married in 1969. In retirement he enjoyed tutoring his grandchildren in chess and cricket, while serving as a member of the Design Council and a trustee of Chatham Historic Dockyard. He died in January 2022, survived by Jane, their son and two daughters.

From the obituaries in *The Times* and the *Daily Telegraph* 

# **Professor David Ernest**

**Minnikin** (Minor Scholar 1959) was a researcher in the field of mycobacteria—the bacteria that cause diseases such as tuberculosis (TB)—who developed the 'Minnikin method' for identifying the chemicals in the cell shield, enabling drugs to be targeted at them and leading to the development of new treatments for the disease.

David was born in November 1939 in Newton, Northumberland, the son of Jane (née Telfer), a farmer's daughter, and Thomas Minnikin, a gardener. He won a scholarship to Lord Wandsworth College, in Hampshire, and from there came to study Chemistry at Trinity, going on to take a DPhil on the chemistry of the lipids of tubercle bacilli. Away from his studies, he played for the college's football team (*see photograph on page 84*).

He became a senior research officer at the Inorganic Chemistry department of the University of Newcastle, and was promoted to senior lecturer in 1985. His early studies in the 1980s used specific bacterial lipids as a fingerprint to identify and group bacteria, in particular antibiotic-producing bacteria. In 1982, he described the waxy coat of unusual lipids and sugars around the tuberculosis organism, which provided a shield against common antibiotics. His subsequent studies based on the 'Minnikin model' identified several new drugs that would weaken this shield, shaping efforts in drug discovery against tuberculosis.

In 2002 he was appointed professor of microbial chemistry at Newcastle. The same year, he moved his research to the University of Birmingham, establishing a new world-leading research group on tuberculosis. He developed a keen interest in tracing the evolution of the same type of infections, causing leprosy as well as TB.

David was a keen sportsman, with a particular passion for cricket and his home team in Newton. He was also a keen mountaineer and hill walker and in retirement finished climbing all the Munros (peaks over 3,000 feet in Scotland) and the Lakeland Wainwrights tops, from his home in Threlkeld, Cumbria. David died in July 2021. He was married twice. His first wife, Susan (née Stow), died in 2000; his second wife, Marion (née Turner) died in 2020.

Adapted from the *Guardian* Other Lives obituary by Peter Minnikin, son.

# The Revd David Clement Lyndon

**Prior** (Scholar 1959), second of four brothers, came up to Trinity from St Lawrence College, Ramsgate to read Classics. A fine sportsman, who won a hockey Blue and played for the University 2nd XI, his post-Oxford professional life was shaped by his profound Christian faith and calling to the Anglican ministry.

After two years working as a journalist at Lloyd's List in London, and theological studies at Ridley Hall, Cambridge, he began his parish life at St Mary's, Reigate. It was there that he married Rosemary (née Shenton), whom he'd first met at Oxford, where she had studied at St Anne's. In 1972, now with two young boys (Marcus and Daniel) in tow, the family left for a new life in Cape Town, eventually spending nearly eight years leading church work through one of the most turbulent periods in the country's apartheid era. Two daughters (Emma and Susanna) were born there. On returning to England in 1979, David joined Michael Green on the leadership team at St Aldate's, Oxford, a return to familiar territory.

Five years later, he became priestin-charge at St Michael's, Chester Square, in central London, where his ministry increasingly involved engaging in the business and political sphere. This led to his founding of the Centre for Marketplace Theology in the mid-1990s, and eventually to the final chapter of his career, taking charge of the chapel on Jupiter Island, Florida from 2002 to 2016.

David wrote several books, most either expository works on Biblical texts, or reflections on faith, family and the local church. At the time of his death in June 2021, he was working on two drafts, one on the Book of Psalms, which he particularly loved, and the other a theological examination of sleep.

In his later years he was happiest spending time with his eight grandchildren, or giving his sons and sons-in-law a lesson on the golf course.

Marcus Prior, son

# **Professor Gordon Murray**

**Shepherd** (Commoner with Senior Status 1959) was a key contributor to an area of research called the 'neuron doctrine' that shaped how we understand the brain. He was born in 1933 in Ames, Iowa, the son of Geoffrey (a professor of economics) and Eleanor Shepherd. He was educated at Iowa State University and then Harvard Medical School. There he heard a talk by Charles Phillips, Trinity's Fellow in Physiology (and later Professor of Neurophysiology) and was so inspired that he applied for a US Public Health Service postdoctoral fellowship to come to Oxford for a DPhil in Medicine.

While at Harvard, Gordon had met Grethe Gadegaard, a Danish exchange student, in Washington DC. She won a place to read English at St Hugh's and in 1959, shortly after their wedding, they arrived in Oxford. The lived in a flat in Iffley village and enjoyed meeting for lunches together on Trinity's lawns or at the White Horse.

After Trinity and postdoctoral work back in the United States, in 1967 Gordon was appointed a professor of Neuroscience at Yale University, where he took on many other roles, only retiring in 2019.

Gordon's insights into common principles of organisation in the brain were transformative for many others working in the then nascent field of neuroscience. He recognised early in his career that the olfactory system offered unique opportunities to understand the organisation of the brain, and among other work he pioneered the study of neurogastronomy and neuroenology, connecting our sense of smell and activity in our brain with our experience of both food and wine. His first book, *Synaptic Organization of the Brain*, was published in 1974 with four subsequent editions and is still considered a foundational text. He published seven other books and over 300 peer-reviewed articles.

Gordon's curiosity and passion for learning extended beyond science to all the humanities and arts and especially poetry. Widely travelled, he cherished the house that he and Grethe built in Denmark; he became fluent in Danish and spent summers with family there.

Gordon died in June 2022, survived by Grethe, a son Gordon, daughters Kirsten (Kirsten Shepherd-Barr, Fellow of St Catherine's College) and Lisbeth, and seven grandchildren. Adapted from the obituary at nature.com and a family tribute

# (lan) Gordon Thorburn FCA CBE

(Minor Scholar 1959) was born in 1940 in Blackpool to Scottish parents. He gained a scholarship to Trinity College, Glenalmond where he became head boy.

He was awarded a scholarship to Trinity, studying PPE. He was an active member of Oxford society, particularly the golfing brigade, becoming captain of the Divots. He subsequently organised yearly matches between ex-Divots and ex-Cambridge Stymies, as well as the Halford Hewitt competition for old public school golfers. He remained a keen golfer playing off a 3 handicap for many years and was captain of Royal Wimbledon and a member of the Royal and Ancient, Royal Lytham and Alnmouth. He was also a keen athlete and clocked up six half marathons over the years.

After Trinity, Gordon trained as a chartered accountant with Price Waterhouse before spending the early part of his career in Italy and Germany. He returned to England in the early 1970s where, after a spell at Yardley's, he joined Johnson Matthey as part of the executive board. He retired in 1999, following a major heart attack and loss of visual field from a stroke. He suffered from several other medical problems but refused to allow them to interfere with his active life.

Gordon married Sue in 1968, and after returning from his postings on the Continent, settled in Wimbledon. Zan was born in 1973 and Harry in 1978. They spent much of their free time at their holiday cottage in Itchenor and at Sue's family home at Alnmouth.

Gordon was a very responsible member of society supporting, many causes and excelling at organisation; one example being a trustee of Guy's and St Thomas' hospitals. He was a talented linguist, fluent in Italian, German, French and Spanish, and an excellent violinist. He played in the Wimbledon Symphony Orchestra, and in the orchestra conducted by Sir Roger Norrington for Trinity's 450th anniversary celebrations. He loved going to concerts and operas, particularly Glyndebourne. He died peacefully at home in January 2022. Charles Thorburn (1961), brother

# 1960s

# William Harold 'Bill' Bittel

(Commoner with Senior Status 1960) was born in Peoria, Illinois in November 1932. He began his lifelong love of study and teaching at Haverford College, Pennsylvania, gaining a BA in Philosophy, followed by an MA in American History at Columbia University.

In August 1956, despite his qualifications, he chose to enlist in the US Navy as a recruit for four years, preferring to work his way up from boot camp; he was awarded the American Spirit of Honor Medal as the outstanding recruit in his company. He was then sent to Navy Journalism School at the Great Lakes Navy base in Illinois. He became the public affairs officer in Pearl Harbour, Hawaii and was promoted to lieutenant.

After this initial period of active duty, Bill decided on a career in teaching. He applied to Oxford and came to Trinity. While at Oxford he worked for the US Air Force, conducting its management training programme and in the evening worked for the European Division of the University of Maryland, lecturing in American history, all the while studying for his degree.

In 1964, he took a position as assistant professor at Westmar College in LeMars, Iowa, but three years later rejoined the US Navy as a lieutenant commander, with a public affairs posting to Spain. Leaving the navy again, Bill, who had married an Australian, Judy Quinn, applied to Adelaide Teachers College in South Australia for the position of lecturer in secondary education. There he took a diploma and an advanced diploma in education and added three years of psychology to his repertoire. In 1982 he transferred to the Centre for Human Resource Development. taking early retirement 10 years later. However, after moving to Queensland he then accepted a position with the University of Southern Queensland, Toowoomba, in the Department of Further Education and Training, retiring once again only in 2008.

In 2007 Bill had moved to the Mornington Peninsula in Victoria where in retirement he continued his coaching work. He remained a proud member of Trinity College and wore the Trinity tie almost exclusively. He died in January 2022, survived by his second wife, Brenda. Brenda Trigg



Augustine Chui (1960), after receiving his CBE

# Kam 'Augustine' Chui JP, CBE

(1960) was born Chui Kam in the Hakka County of Guangdong Province, China, in May 1932 to a family which produced several late Ching Dynasty mandarin scholars. He spent part of his childhood in Shanghai and then moved with his family to Hong Kong during the Sino-Japanese War.

Augustine started his career at 19, after graduation from Northcote Training College, teaching at Queen's College Hong Kong. He then joined the Hong Kong Government as a sub-inspector of schools

He was then sponsored by the Hong Kong Government to study at Trinity in 1960. He was the

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only undergraduate of Chinese ethnicity at the time. The learning and experiences at Trinity had a big impact on him and influenced his visionary and international approach to setting direction in public policy. His performance at Trinity was recognised by the Hong Kong government and he was sent for advanced studies again at the Royal College of Defence Studies in 1979.

Augustine was one of the first batch of local administration officers appointed as city district officers to facilitate communication of the government with the local population after the 1967 riots. During his career in the Hong Kong government, he served as secretary of Municipal Services, secretary of Broadcasting, Culture and Sport and as chairman of the Public Service Commission. He was also the master of ceremony during both visits of Queen Elizabeth II to Hong Kong in 1975 and 1986. He was awarded the CBE in 1991.

Augustine was instrumental in developing long-term strategy and policies in key areas (including public housing, cultural facilities, and country parks) that still have an impact today. He is remembered as working tirelessly for a better Hong Kong and promoting communication between East and West. He was a noted Chinese scholar and could speak several Chinese dialects fluently.

He is survived by his wife Kay, a son Simon and daughter Monica, and



The 1962-63 Football team, including as captain Peter Taylor (1960), front centre, and David Minnikin (1959), back row, second from right (obituary on page 80)

three grandchildren.

Monica Hung Ying Chui (St Hugh's 1984), daughter

# The Revd Ieuan Pryce Ellis

(Commoner 1960) was born in 1929, in Trawsfynydd, Blaenau Ffestiniog, elder son of Edward Ellis, a master mariner. He was educated at the Grange School, Ellesmere Port, and then, from 1955, at Fitzwilliam House (later Fitzwilliam College) Cambridge, which provided a Cambridge education to undergraduates unable to afford membership of a college. He came to Trinity for a BLitt, living in a room above the Dolphin Yard gate. In his final years he suffered from Parkinson's disease, but he continued to read and write on good days and read his Missal daily. He died in September 2021.

**Peter William Taylor** (Commoner 1960) was born in February 1942 in Oswaltwistle, near Blackburn, the eldest child of Peter Ronald Taylor, a joiner and building contractor, and Eva, a mill worker. The family later moved to Blackpool due to the ill-health of Peter's younger brother (while retaining the building business in Blackburn) and Peter was educated at Arnold School in Blackpool.

He came to Trinity to read Geography. A keen sportsman, he was captain of the football team in 1963. He thoroughly enjoyed his years at Trinity and returned many times to attend Gaudies and catch up with old friends.

Following graduation Peter took a job as an office manager with George Wimpey in London, before moving back to Blackpool and taking over the family building firm in Blackburn. In the late 1980s he sold the firm in order to semi-retire, running a property investment business and serving for many years as a magistrate.

Sport had always featured heavily in his life, and when his footballing days were over he took up golf and was a member of Royal Lytham Golf Club and was captain there in 2007. He also became very involved in promoting junior golf in Lancashire, was a keen bridge player (another of his favourite pastimes), and was a very keen stamp collector.

Peter married Dr Catherine Kitching in 1967 and they had two children, a daughter now a consultant anaesthetist in Preston, and a son, an actuary in Edinburgh. He had a happy and successful life, but sadly when he turned 80 his health deteriorated and he was subsequently diagnosed with small cell carcinoma of the lung, from which he died in May 2022, surrounded by his family. Catherine Taylor Sir Andrew Ronald Emilius Laurie

**Bt** (Commoner 1963) was born in 1944 in Rothbury, Northumberland. He spent his early years mainly in Ceylon, where his father was a tea planter, until 1952 when the death of his father brought him back to England.

Andrew was likeable; he enjoyed a joke or two and the music and silliness of the Goons. I first met him when, aged 13, he arrived at Repton School. Our interests differed widely, yet he was always very easy to get along with and his enjoyment of others' company was sincere. I left school in 1961, not expecting to see much of him again-but he then joined me at Trinity. He was quickly integrated into the group I belonged to, fitting in seamlessly. Every day, after lunch, we had coffee in someone's room and the first four there played bridge. He soon joined in and he got so hooked that it played havoc with his academic life, though he later got good jobs in the field of engineering.

In his second year, he had a very big room which he happily let us commandeer—most helpful as by then we were all living out of college. He was indeed likeable and the best expression we can find is that he was a seriously good egg! He met Sarah Patterson around this time (a note in her diary is reported as saying 'met Andrew Laurie today. Quite Nice'), and they were married in 1970.

Andrew died suddenly at home in September 2021. He is survived by

Sarah, their sons John and Michael, and five grandchildren. In 2017 Andrew had inherited the baronetcy of Bayley, later Laurie, of Bedford Square from a cousin. (Emilius was a Derby winning race horse in 1823, part owned by his great grandfather and is now a Laurie family name.) Peter Rolfe (1962)

**Robert John Strawson** (Commoner 1963) was born in 1944 in Swansea, the elder son of John Strawson (Millard Scholar 1933), a school master, and his wife Molly, and brother of Andrew (1968). He was educated at St Paul's School, London, and came to Trinity to read Metallurgy.

After Trinity, Robert went out to Kampala, Uganda where he took a diploma of education under the British government's Teachers for East Africa scheme, at Makerere University College. He then taught in a succession of posts until 1972. By then a husband and father—having married Christine (known as Chris) who was on the same course at Makerere—and tired of living under Idi Amin's diktats, he came back to England to teach at Malvern College and then at Cranleigh School.

Twelve years later he accepted an irresistible offer—given his love of Africa—to teach physics at Peterhouse, a multi-racial independent school in Zimbabwe, with a biology teaching post for Chris too. His final job was at Abingdon School, from where he retired as head of physics. At Abingdon he masterminded the use and acquisition of audio-visual equipment throughout the school and organised the stage crew for the school theatre. He took an active part in sailing, astronomy, charities and many other aspects of the life of the school.

Robert had a wide variety of intellectual interests, and an encyclopaedic knowledge, which he could apply to everything from political discussions, to mending a washing machine. In retirement he was a very active member of the science, walking and history groups of the U<sub>3</sub>A and was a keen member of Abingdon Silversmiths (enjoying the metallurgical aspects of working with precious metals, as well as the artistic). He served on the Institute of Physics Education Board, was a busy and respected reviewer for *Physics* Education magazine and supported fledgling physics teachers.

He died in May 2022, survived by Chris, and their sons Daniel and Ben. Adapted from a eulogy given by Chris Strawson

Philip John Fletcher CBE (Minor Scholar 1964) was born in May 1946, the eldest son of Alan Fletcher (Exhibitioner 1933), a barrister. From Marlborough College he came to Trinity to read Modern History, tutored by Michael Maclagan and John Cooper. (Cooper had a terrifying reputation both as a tutor and as a historian—his long-time protagonist G R Elton dubbing him a 'self-appointed hell-hound'— and his two-hour long individual tutorials were enough to make any undergraduate quake in anticipation.)

In 1968, after a year in East Pakistan teaching with VSO, he joined the Ministry of Public Building and Works, soon to be absorbed into the Department of the Environment. He worked in Birmingham for some years but served predominantly in London. In 1986 he become the director of Central Finance; in 1990 the director of Planning and Development Control; in 1993 chief executive of the Property Services Agency; and in 1994 deputy secretary for Cities and Countryside.

In 1996, in a marked change of direction, he became the Receiver (chief finance officer) of the Metropolitan Police and a further career shift in 2000 as director general of Water Services and, subsequently, the chair of Ofwat from 2006 to 2012, for which he was awarded a CBE.

Fostered by Trinity's chaplain, Leslie Houlden, he was actively involved in church life both locally, as a lay reader, and nationally, serving on the Archbishops' Council from 2007 to 2016 and handling the complex mission and public affairs brief. In retirement he also served on the Church Urban Fund, Ofqual, and Canterbury Christ Church University. He was, to quote someone who knew him well, 'a Christian statesman—a gentleman and a gentle man...and fun'.

He married Margaret in 1977

and they had two daughters, one of whom, Helen, died tragically at the age of 11 in a horse-riding accident. Philip died in February 2022, survived by Margaret, their daughter Sarah and two grandchildren. Colin Fletcher (1969), brother

### **Allan Drummond Gordon**

(Commoner as Commonwealth Scholar 1966) was born in 1945, the younger son of Robert Gordon, a restaurant owner. He was educated at Thornhill High School, Gwelo, Rhodesia, and following a first degree at the University of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, came to Trinity to read Mathematics.

From 1972 until his retirement in 2000. Allan was a Reader in Statistics at the University of St Andrews, He had an international reputation in his area of work in Classification, a methodology concerning the analysis of large data sets, and he wrote the definitive book on the subject. In his spare time he was a keen rambler and a fine bridge player, attaining the rank of grandmaster of the Scottish Bridge Union; after retiring he was a voluntary helper in the local Oxfam bookshop. He died in October 2021. From the newsletter of the School of Mathematics and Statistics, University of St Andrews

**Dr Amratlal Kanji Shah** (Commoner 1966) was born in 1946 in the coastal town of Mombasa in the then British colony of Kenya. Amratlal's parents had emigrated by dhow from



Amratlal Shah (1966) enjoying lunch and a beer with fellow student Peter Carey (1966, Fellow and Tutor in History 1980-2008) in 1969.

Gujarat, India, to Mombasa some decades after the 'Lunatic Line' to the capital Nairobi was completed. The family did not have much in terms of material standards, but British rule had provided the East African country with top-notch educational facilities. The excellent teachers at Allidina Visram High School were definitely a life-changing event in Amratlal's life. He won the best student in East Africa annual award (as, later, did his younger brother) and was subsequently encouraged to apply to Trinity.

Amratlal was admitted to read

Physics and came up to Trinity in 1966. He was one of the very first undergraduate students from East Africa to be accepted at the University of Oxford. We can only imagine what his impressions were of this new environment. Unsurprisingly, Amratlal thrived in the academic and friendly atmosphere at Trinity, much thanks to his brilliant tutor, Dr Peter Fisher. This was definitely one of the best periods in his life. Amratlal was an active member of the rambling club.

After completing his master's, he was engaged in research but

left to pursue a different career in Sweden, the home of his future wife, Eva. A never-ending appetite for more knowledge steered him in the direction of medicine, and Amratlal became a specialist in internal medicine and also qualified as a GP. As a medical doctor, Amratlal was well-integrated and much appreciated, and was seeing patients up until the pandemic erupted.

Among Amratlal's interests were cooking, fishing, running, walking and travelling. As a sign of immense gratitude and at Amratlal's own initiative, he founded the prize in medicine at Trinity bearing his name. He died in May 2022 and is survived by Eva, his children and grandchildren.

Eva Shah, and Carl-Henrik and Alexander Shah, sons

# **Christopher Francis Hatton**

(Commoner 1967) was born in Hatch End, Middlesex, in January 1948, to Marina and John Hatton. His mother had served in the WAAF at Bletchley Park during the War, making use of her fluency in Italian. His father was a CPO in the Fleet Air Arm of the Royal Navy and had served on the Ark Royal, then in the Far East after the Ark was finally sunk in 1941.

After sitting the 11 plus, Chris went to Worthing High School for Boys. He played soccer for Lancing FC in the county league and cricket at Worthing Cricket Club.

Having passed O and A Levels in French, German and Latin, he

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Christopher Hatton (1967)

came up to Trinity to read Modern Languages. His first rooms were in Staircase 4 (recently replaced by the Levine Building). He graduated with a master's in Modern Languages and a Blue in table tennis. He kept in touch with Trinity over the decades that followed.

On his return to Worthing, Chris joined his father's nascent translation business. The business grew, and merged with another firm to form Hatton Anderson Associates. Clients included global motor manufacturers, specialist manufacturers, patent agencies and the Ministry of Defence.

For 20 years Chris was a member of the Rotary Club in Worthing, serving two terms as president and holding every major office except treasurer. He also became a supporter of Worthing Boys' Club as a table tennis coach and fundraiser.

In 1973 he met Cathy Leahy at a cricket match and they married in 1974 (out of season). Chris died at home in August 2021, seven weeks after being diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. He is survived by Cathy, his children Gabrielle, Tim and Mark, and two grandchildren. Gabrielle Stopp, daughter

### **Timothy Brian Herbert 'Tim'**

**Malyon** (Commoner 1969) was born in Chobham, Surrey in 1950 and from Winchester College came to Trinity to read Modern Languages.

Tim became a prominent photojournalist and was a campaigning storyteller, highlighting socially relevant narratives and injustices throughout his long career. For BBC Radio 4 he produced many documentaries (he twice interviewed the Dalai Lama, who is said to have loved Tim's radio programmes). He was also a drug rehabilitator, counsellor, and charity organiser. He was very physically active and travelled the world. hiking, windsurfing and playing the violin. He worked for humanitarian organisations worldwide and touched the lives of many through his kind and gentle nature.

In 2010 Tim was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease with Lewy Body Dementia. He died in December 2020, survived by his wife Angela, son Finbar and stepdaughter Sofia. Information from Tim's website, timmalyon.com

# 1970s

### The Revd David Christopher

**Sanders** (Commoner with Senior Status 1970) was born in London in 1939. He was educated at Finchley Grammar School and studied English at King's College London and then for three years taught in a school run by German Benedictines in Tanganyika (now mainland Tanzania). He joined the Dominicans in 1965, and came to Trinity for a diploma in Theology. Here he was a member of the shortlived John Aubrey Society.

He was ordained priest at the Blackfriars priory in St Giles in 1971. He held many different posts within the order's English province, including prior of Blackfriars in Cambridge. He died in March 2020.

### **Stuart Anthony Kingwell**

(Commoner 1972), only son of Austin and Jean Kingwell, was born in Marlow in 1953. After prep school (to which he travelled by train every day, on his own), he left home to board at Stowe School. This became a place he loved and the aesthetics of which gave him a taste for fine Georgian architecture and art for the rest of his life.

Stowe was followed by Trinity, where he read PPE. His fondest memories of College were of his second year, when he enjoyed entertaining his international set of friends in his magnificent rooms on the top floor of Staircase 17. He was good at punting and visitors were treated to elegant picnics on the river. He was instantly recognisable as the tall young man who drove around in a white Lotus Europa.

Stuart is remembered fondly by all who knew him. He was kind, knowledgeable and generous. He was always ready to learn new ways of doing things, interested in different people and their cultures, and above all had a love of nature and the countryside.

Stuart married Rubina Sevadjian, who survives him. They lived variously in London, Oxford, Marlow, and finally at Tilney All Saints in Norfolk. He died in November 2021. Rubina Kingswell

# **Patrick Donnelly Balestrieri**

(Commoner with Senior Status 1974) was born in Monterey, California, and came to Trinity with a first degree from George Washington University to read for a second BA in Greats. He joined a very sociable group of first-year graduates mostly living on Staircase 2, several of whom have kept in close contact over subsequent years.

He came from a family with strong links to diplomatic service. His father was US Consul in Rome, and he, like several of his five siblings, had a strongly international focus on life. He maintained a particular fondness for Italy and particularly Naples, where he went to High School, that lasted all his life. This writer, and several MCR colleagues from the time, recall delightful trips to visit the family in Rome, with Patrick and his late brother Philip (1978, MCR president 1979-80) as bilingual tour guides, sometimes to the Eternal City's nether regions.

After Trinity, Patrick followed his father into public service. He worked in US federal government in a variety of roles—basing himself close to his family in Arlington, Virginia—notably for a period as key advisor to Senator Richard Lugar, then chair of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. He also worked in the Pentagon, State Department and CIA. Patrick's expertise was in defence systems, and this took him also to Belgium to work with NATO, and to Afghanistan, where he was seriously injured.

Patrick died in March 2022 in Denver, Colorado, and he is survived by Patricia and their daughters, Clara and Kathleen. His ashes are scattered in the Bay of Naples, at his wish. Paul Willman (1974)

# **David Vincent Mutrie Frank**

(Commoner 1977), who died suddenly in November 2021, aged 63, was a pioneer, risk-taker and leading figure in the independent television sector, with a zest for giving parties and creating extraordinary houses.

He was born in Nakuru, Kenya, the son of Peter and Joy (née Sollis), and spent a happy childhood in Malawi with his four siblings. From there he was sent to a Catholic boarding school, Austin Friars in Carlisle, and blessed with charm, intelligence and good looks (but with shockingly bad A Level results) came to Trinity to read Jurisprudence. He rowed for the college, played squash, and sampled morris dancing.

He worked as a lawyer only briefly, at McKenna & Co. but it was there he met his future wife, Isabelle Turquet de Beauregard; they settled in Putney and had three children, Olly, Missie and Bart. After spells as an investment banker and a financial reporter, in 1993 he set up his own TV production company, RDF Media, which—spurred on by what a colleague has described as 'David's almost pathological optimism'avoided bankruptcy to become hugely successful, making a run of popular programmes such as Faking It, Secret Millionaire and Scrapheap Challenge. In 2010, the company was sold to the media group Zodiak Entertainment for a reported £150 million, with David appointed Zodiak's CEO. He served on the industry's trade association council (PACT), and in recent years created new online marketplaces for TV rights and programme distribution.

David's home life was equally action-packed. He loved golf, fishing, theatre, music, gardening, building tree-houses, planning novels, devising quizzes and decorating rooms for Christmas. He and Isabelle remodelled a glass-fronted house on the Thames, a hamlet of thatched cottages and barns in Hampshire (David converting the paddock into a golf course), and a string of limestone caves in Mallorca that David bought sight unseen after spotting an advert in an airline magazine. All were the settings for spectacular parties.

David was a life-long Arsenal supporter and a memorial event for his many friends and media colleagues was recently held at the club, his seat swagged in red and white. Stephen Lacey (1976)

### Dr Alexander 'Alex' Knapton

(Commoner 1978) was born in Reading in 1959, and was educated in Amersham and at King James's College, Henley. He had early ambitions to be an engineer but eventually decided on medicine and came up to Trinity in 1978.

As a child Alex collected rocks, fossils and railway signalling equipment. At Oxford he also began to collect silver. He was probably the only undergraduate to have Metropolitan Railway block instruments, ammonites and silver cruet sets in his rooms!

Alex completed his medical degree at the Middlesex Hospital and then moved to Ipswich, where he worked in anaesthetics, orthopaedics and A&E. He married Felicity, a recovery room sister, in 1987. As an enthusiastic member of the Territorial Army, Alex applied to join the regular army as an anaesthetist but was suddenly diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis at the age of 29.

Following this devastating

setback, Alex moved into research, working in clinical pharmacology and experimental medicine at Porton Down. He gradually became more disabled and began to use a wheelchair. He enjoyed writing humorous articles for the research facility's newsletter, appropriately under the pseudonym 'Dr Strangelove'.

Alex later moved on to become a medico-legal advisor to the Army Medical Directorate at Sandhurst. Unfortunately, his disability worsened and he was forced into retirement at the age of 43. By 2012 Alex was so severely disabled that he was completely dependent on Felicity and spent many hours of inactivity listening to Radio 4 comedies and watching science fiction.

Alex's friends will never forget the courage with which he bore his cruel disease. He possessed a brilliant sense of humour and razor sharp wit that never left him, even when, in December 2021, he knew he was dying of pneumonia. His final coherent words were 'Give my regards to TJ' (his cat!). Fittingly, the recessional music at Alex's funeral was the closing theme from the film *Dr Strangelove*.

Alex is survived by Felicity and their son, Ben. Felicity Knapton

# 1980s

### **Mark Desmond Hughes**

(Commoner 1979, Exhibitioner 1981) was a dedicated and brave journalist, who was working in Cambodia when he died, suddenly, in October 2021.

Mark was born in Sale, Cheshire. His father was a newspaper general manager. Mark came to Trinity from Maidstone Grammar School to read Theology. He greatly enjoyed his time at Trinity, and played football, rugby and croquet. He was a member of the photographic society and left a collection of photographs giving a nostalgic portrayal of student life, with copies now in the college archive.

Mark's career included work for the major London broadsheets, the Press Association, the BBC and ITN. He had travelled to Rwanda to cover the genocide, performing magic tricks to distract the soldiers who had pointed guns at his head. His work at the *South China Morning Post* led the Hong Kong police to capture gangsters and a murderer they had been hunting for months. He was foreign editor at the Bangkok Post, and after that an assistant professor of journalism at a university in Zhuhai, China.

Since 2019 he had been working for the *Khmer Times* in Cambodia, running the business desk. He was a constant source of story ideas, mentoring his team of reporters and always trying to make the business pages better. Because of Covid restrictions, at the time of his death he hadn't seen his wife, Tammy, who was at their home in Thailand, in nearly two years.

Mark loved walking and nature, and at one point while living in the UK, had run a flourishing smallholding in Devon while also running a newspaper. He had walked the Thames Path from Oxford to London, shortly before the birth of his daughter Daisy—and in his memory Daisy has since walked the same route, raising funds for a charity working to improve social mobility and increase diversity in UK journalism.

Mark is survived by his wife Tammy, and by his daughters Daisy and Molly.

From an obituary in the *Khmer Times* by Michael Firn, friend and colleague

# Dr Steven Don 'Steve' Hoey

(Commoner as Marshall Scholar 1985) was born in Beloit, Wisconsin, in March 1963, the son of Harry, a teacher and Nancy (née Cornwell). As a child he learned the organ and flute (the latter largely self-taught), and aged only 12 became a church organist. He won a scholarship to Harvard University for a degree in psychology and organisational behaviour, and from there came to Trinity as a Marshall Scholar to read for an MPhil in Management Studies. He rowed and played tennis. He loved being with his fellow MCR friends—to whom he was a constant, selfless source of support—and spent many evenings enjoying their company in the capacious rooms of the MCR president and treasurer.

Returning to the US, he worked as a management consultant in global financial services, living for several years in New York and London. His continuing interest in music

led him, in 1995, to embark on a three-year Master of Fine Art degree in music composition at the California Institute of the Arts. He stayed on to teach there for two years, before moving to the University of California San Diego for a PhD.

Steve spent the rest of his career with non-profit companies supporting technology start-up firms and innovators and he researched, wrote and spoke on innovation and economic development. His musical interests continued with his role on the board of directors of Villa Musica, an organisation providing and supporting music education. He



Steve Hoey (1985)

composed music and won awards for several of his compositions, including for his piano composition 'Artifact I' and his orchestral work 'Five Rivers'.

Steve had a voracious appetite for all that life has to offer. Not long before he died, while undergoing treatment for cancer, he ordered a new flute (which he played for Trinity friends during their last FaceTime call), and he had performed in his church's *Messiah* concert the previous Christmas. He died in February 2022, survived by his mother and two brothers, a niece and nephew. From the obituary in the *Rockton-Roscoe News* 

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