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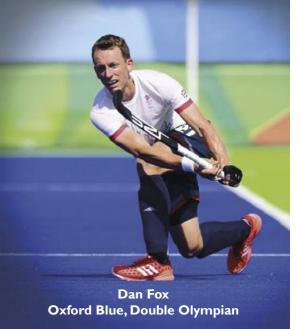
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Match Programme

9.30am (water)

Men's Old Blues Match for the Lawless Trophy
Mike Hudson & Phillip Everett

9.30am (sand)

Women's Old Blues Match for the Boizot Cup Julie Pearce & Teresa Jolly

11.00am (sand)

Schools Match (boys): Repton v Warwick

Andy Poulain & Chris Row

11.00am (water)

Schools Match (girls) Reeds v Belfast Academy
Mac Dowdell & Paul Warwick-Munday

12.30pm (sand)

College Supercuppers
St. Catharine's College (Cambridge) v Worcester College (Oxford)
Richard Pink & Will Davey

1.30pm (water)

Oxford v Cambridge Women's Match Gemma Jones & Ginette Tessier Match Official: Janet Sutton

3.30pm (water)

Oxford v Cambridge Men's Match
Andy Poulain & Steve Cox
Match Official: Chris Row

Announcer

David Lloyd Williams

First Aid available via the main bar or the Announcer on the balcony



Welcome to the 117th Varsity Hockey matches

It is an honour to have Hollie Webb, MBE as our guest of honour. Hollie has over 100 caps for England and GB and won gold at Rio 2016.

I am delighted to welcome JMAN Group as match sponsors for the third time.

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The trophies join us from the top of the M11 (Mens) and middle of M40 (Ladies).

The Light Blue Men held onto the silverware in 2016 by virtue of 2-1 win. It was their 53rd win of the series. The series score in the Mens' Match favours the Light Blues by 53 to 45 with 18 matches drawn. Oxford have got but a single draw in the last five years.

In the Ladies match, the Dark Blue Ladies beat Light Blues 2-1 last year. Cambridge lead the series by 50 wins to Oxford's 43. There have been 24 draws. The trophy has changed hands in each of the last four games.

Congratulations to all 64 squad members. Enjoy your day. You will not forget it. It is over 30 years since I was last fortunate enough to play in a Varsity Match, but the memory is still fresh and I am still mates with a number of those who took part that day. Hopefully, you will be able to say the same in 2047.

I am delighted to welcome the four schools playing the warm up games. For the first time, the schools play for some silverware

Reeds play Belfast for the Lochhead Trophy. It is a Sterling silver cup, hallmarked for Birmingham, 1921, with the makers marks of Turner and Simpson.

Repton play Warwick play for the Bogdan Trophy. That is a Sterling silver trophy cup and cover hallmarked for London 1914, the makers mark that of William Comyns and Sons.

The trophies honour two stalwarts of Oxbridge hockey, Ken Lochhead and Bob Bogdan. The trophies were funded (unwittingly) by a group of sportsmen, many of whom played hockey in their prime and now make an annual golf trip to Portugal. There are pictures of Rob and Ken on page 6.

It is the fifteenth time that Southgate HC has hosted both Mens' and Womens' matches and I would like to thank Mike Burman and his team for their efficiency and hospitality.

James Gordon

Chairman of the University Hockey Match Committee

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Southgate Hockey Club is pleased to host the University Hockey Matches

PRESENTATIONS

Player of the Match Trophies

The Men's Old Blues are playing this morning for the Lawless Cup and the Women's Old Blues for the Boizot Trophy. In each of the University Matches, an award is made each year to the Oxford *Player of the Match* and the Cambridge *Player of the Match*. These are selected by a committee of distinguished Old Blues and it has become traditional for them to present a bottle of Champagne for their nominee to share with his or her team.



HOLLIE WEBB, MBE 114 caps for England & GB Olympic Gold medallist 2016

KEN LOCHHEAD



Ken Lochhead was a stalwart of the Varsity Match.

By weekday, Ken worked for HM Revenue. Outside office hours, Ken was an FIH umpire, hockey administrator and all round good bloke.

Ken's bonhomie and wit were well known. His distinctive Scottish burr was unmistakeable (and much mimicked).

Ken umpired the Varsity match in 1968, when it was played on the grass at the Hurlingham Club in Fulham.

Ken joined the Committee in 1971 serving for 38 years until 2008, when his official position was 'Senior Pro'.

As seemed only fitting, his widow, Ros Marsh, joined the Committee after his death.

Today, Ros Marsh will present the Lochhead Trophy for the first time to the winner of the Girls match.

BOB BOGDAN



Bob Bogdan was on the Varsity Match Committee for 40 years.

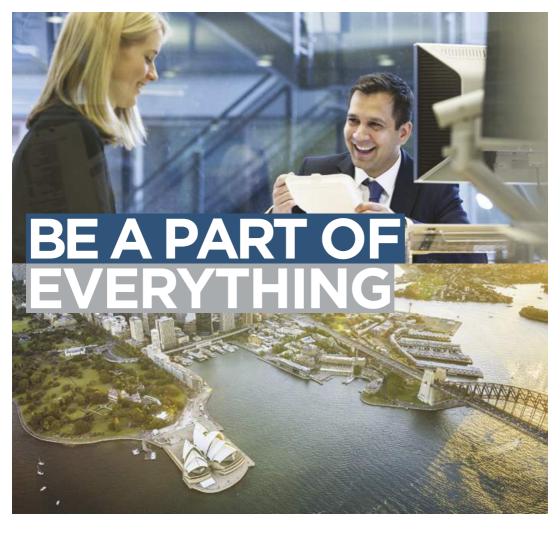
Having represented Scottish Universities against both Oxford and Cambridge as undergraduate, Bob went to Cambridge in 1974 to study for the PGCE. Bob played at Lords in the Cambridge side of 1975.

Within weeks of playing at Lords, Bob accepted an offer to teach at geography at Charterhouse and run the hockey. It seemed a good place, so he made it home.

Bob was then recruited by Mike Bawden to play for Surbiton, the Travellers (out in South Africa) and join the Varsity match committee alongside Ken Lochhead.

Serving under five different chairmen, always with wit and humour, Bob's main role was to recruit Schools to play in the curtain-raisers. The Committee was always a better and jollier place for his presence whatever his role.

After four happy decades at Charterhouse, Bob has retreated to retire in deepest Aberdeenshire. We are glad to report that he has found his way south to be with us today.





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THE MEN'S UNIVERSITY MATCH

The first Men's University Match was played at Oxford in 1890. All subsequent matches have been played at a neutral venue, except for the rearranged game in 1986 which was played at Cambridge. In 1891 and 1892 Queen's Club in West Kensington was chosen. The Old Deer Park, Richmond, was the scene for the next ten matches when the game moved to the ground in Surbiton. The first match at Foxgrove Road was in 1909 and it remained there until 1957 (except during the Two World Wars when no Blues were awarded). From 1958 to 1960 Edgbaston, Birmingham, became the venue. In 1961, it moved to Hurlingham Park, London.

The MCC invited the game to Lord's in 1969 where it remained for 22 years until the need for a synthetic surface caused the move to Reading in 1991. After 6 years, the match was moved to the National Hockey Stadium in Milton Keynes and today, for the fifthteenth time, the game is being played at Southgate. This is the twenty fourth game to be played on an artificial surface, including the rearranged games in 1986 at Cambridge and at Willesden in 1990.

PREVIOUS MEN'S MATCH RESULTS

| 1889/90 | Oxford | 2-1 | 1933/34 | Cambridge | 4-1 | 1978/79 | Oxford | 6-1 |
|---------|-----------|-----|---------|-------------|-----|---------|------------|-----|
| 1890/91 | | 3-2 | 1934/35 | | 0-0 | 1979/80 | Cambridge | 1-0 |
| 1891/92 | Draw | 2-2 | 1935/36 | Oxford | 1-0 | 1980/81 | Draw | 2-2 |
| 1892/93 | Oxford | 3-1 | 1936/37 | Oxford | 3-0 | 1981/82 | Cambridge | 4-1 |
| 1893/94 | Draw | 1-1 | 1937/38 | B Draw | 1-1 | | Cambridge | |
| 1894/95 | Draw | 3-3 | 1938/39 | Cambridge | 3-2 | 1983/84 | Cambridge | 2-1 |
| 1895/96 | Cambridge | 3-1 | 1945/46 | Draw | 3-3 | 1984/85 | Cambridge | 2-0 |
| 1896/97 | Cambridge | 4-0 | 1946/47 | Cambridge | 3-0 | 1985/86 | Cambridge | 3-1 |
| 1897/98 | Cambridge | 4-0 | 1947/48 | Cambridge | 2-0 | 1986/87 | Draw | 0-0 |
| 1898/99 | Cambridge | 5-2 | 1948/49 | Oxford | 3-1 | 1987/88 | Cambridge | 2-0 |
| 1899/00 | Cambridge | 3-2 | 1949/50 | Cambridge | 1-0 | 1988/89 | Cambridge | 1-0 |
| 1900/01 | Cambridge | 4-1 | 1950/51 | Oxford | 4-0 | 1989/90 | Cambridge | 4-2 |
| 1901/02 | Oxford | 3-2 | 1951/52 | ? Cambridge | 6-3 | 1990/91 | Oxford | 3-1 |
| 1902/03 | Oxford | 3-0 | 1952/53 | Oxford | 5-2 | 1991/92 | Oxford | 2-1 |
| 1903/04 | Oxford | 1-0 | 1953/54 | Oxford | 3-1 | 1992/93 | Oxford | 3-0 |
| 1904/05 | Oxford | 3-1 | 1954/55 | Cambridge | 2-1 | 1993/94 | Oxford | 5-0 |
| 1905/06 | Cambridge | 4-1 | 1955/56 | Cambridge | 2-0 | 1994/95 | Oxford | 4-0 |
| 1906/07 | Cambridge | 3-2 | 1956/57 | Draw | 0-0 | 1995/96 | Oxford | 4-1 |
| 1907/08 | Cambridge | 3-1 | 1957/58 | 3 Oxford | 5-1 | 1996/97 | Cambridge | 2-0 |
| 1908/09 | Oxford | 6-3 | 1958/59 | | 0-0 | 1997/98 | | 4-0 |
| 1909/10 | Oxford | 5-4 | 1959/60 | Cambridge | 4-1 | 1998/99 | Draw | 2-2 |
| 1910/11 | Cambridge | 4-1 | 1960/61 | | 2-0 | 1999/00 | | 2-1 |
| 1911/12 | | 3-1 | | ? Cambridge | | | Cambridge | |
| | Cambridge | | 1962/63 | | 3-0 | 2001/02 | | 1-1 |
| 1913/14 | | 2-1 | 1963/64 | | 2-1 | 2002/03 | | 3-2 |
| 1919/20 | | 3-1 | 1964/65 | | 2-2 | 2003/04 | | 3-2 |
| | Cambridge | | 1965/66 | | 1-0 | | Cambridge | |
| | Cambridge | | | ' Cambridge | | 2005/06 | | 2-0 |
| | Cambridge | | 1967/68 | | 1-0 | | Cambridge | |
| 1923/24 | | 3-0 | 1968/69 | | 2-2 | | Cambridge | |
| 1924/25 | | 3-2 | |) Cambridge | | 2008/09 | | 4-1 |
| | Cambridge | | | . Cambridge | | 2009/10 | | 3-1 |
| | Cambridge | | | 2 Cambridge | | | Oxford | 5-2 |
| | Cambridge | | 1972/73 | | 1-0 | | Cambridge | |
| | Cambridge | | 1973/74 | | 0-0 | 2012/13 | | 1-1 |
| 1929/30 | | 2-2 | 1974/75 | | 3-1 | | Cambridge | |
| 1930/31 | | 3-2 | 1975/76 | | 7-0 | 2014/15 | Cambridge | 2-2 |
| 1931/32 | | 1-1 | | Cambridge | | | (shuttles) | |
| 1932/33 | Cambridge | 2-0 | 19///8 | 3 Cambridge | 2-1 | 2015/16 | Cambridge | 2-1 |
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THE WOMEN'S UNIVERSITY MATCH

Hockey has played a larger part in women's sport than it has for men – only in relatively recent years have women been able to take part in the full range of sports long available to men. So the Varsity Women's Hockey Match has always featured prominently on the women's sporting scene. A cup has been awarded since 1898 on which are engraved the results of every match since then, although (sadly) not the scores. But matches are known to have been played before then. One – that of 1894 – was celebrated in a poem. The Women's Varsity Match continued into the start of the First World War, and was played throughout the Second World War, so this will be the 117th occasion on which the cup has been awarded. This year's match is the fifteenth time the Women's Match is being held at the same place and on the same day as the Men's.

| PREVIOUS WOMEN'S MATCH RESULTS | | | | | | |
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| Played: 116 | Cambridge: 49 | Oxford: 43 | Drawn: 24 |

BLUES

Blues are won against stiff competition each year and are reward for playing in one annual match, that being between Oxford and Cambridge. Until after the Second World War, it was only possible to win a "Blue" by being changed and called onto the field of play. In years past, many deserving 12th men and reserves did not fulfil this criterion.

In the early 1970's, the squad system emerged and has recently been developed further with the new international system of "rolling substitutes". The original rules have, therefore, had to be changed. In the men's matches, both Universities are awarding full "Blues" to the 11 players in their starting line up and the Captain has discretion to award a further 5 "Blues" to a player so long as that player takes the field during the match. In the ladies' squads, at Cambridge, Blues are awarded to the starting 11 and the Captain can award 5 discretionary Blues. At Oxford, up to 16 Blues can be awarded to those who have played in half of the season's league matches, 11 for the starting line-up and 5 for the subs who play at least 5 minutes of the Varsity match. To be awarded Full Blues, the team must win the Varsity match or make it through to the last 16 of the BUCS trophy or finish in the top 4 in the BUCS South Premier League.

Because of the prestige that is attached to it, the status of "Blue" is jealously guarded at both Universities and a close watch is kept on it by the Blues Committee. This Committee is a collection of notable sportsmen (usually Full Blue Presidents and Captains) who keep under review the status, skill and style of each sport played in the University in relation to the standards outside the University. At Cambridge, *for the men*, the President of the Boat Club is Chairman and one senior member acts as Secretary. The Committee at both Universities is empowered to award "Blues" and "Half Blues", and monitor club colours.

The urge to obtain the accolade that a "Blue" grants, both within and outside the two Universities, has led to the enforcement of strict rules of eligibility. In October 1983, the Blues Committee at Oxford and Cambridge drafted, discussed and agreed rules that laid down that only bona fide student members of the Universities are eligible to play in inter University sporting contests. These rules may be varied in a particular sport with the agreement of both Universities. The current rule for hockey is that an undergraduate member reading for a first degree is eligible to play until the end of the academic year in which he completes his course up to a maximum of 4 years, and he may attain a further 3 "Blues" as a post graduate. If a player is already holding a degree from a recognised university, his eligibility is limited to 4 years from the time of his first admission.

Cambridge first awarded a "Half Blue" for hockey in 1894 and Oxford in 1900. Cambridge awarded a "Full Blue" for hockey in 1908, Oxford not until 1926.

Mike Barford



The Marcon-Dyer Club is the centrepoint for all alumni of OUHC. The club seeks to maintain a dialogue between OUHC and its alumni, coordinate fundraising, build and manage the club's database and archives, and provide a sounding board for the current OUHC committee.

The Club is named for two distinguished former members. Charles Sholto Marcon was a Blue from 1910-1913, captaining the side in his final year. He served for the entirety of WW1, before returning to the hockey field, winning Gold with GB at the Olympic Games in Antwerp in 1920. He later became a schoolmaster at Cranleigh, before serving as a chaplain in WW2. In addition to Sholto's own impressive achievements, his father was the master of Marcon's Hall in Oxford, and was reported to be a pioneer of Oxford hockey.

Joanna Dyer played for the Blues from 2003-05, and, on going down from Oxford, enrolled at Sandhurst. After passing out of Sandhurst she elected to deploy straight to Iraq to gain combat experience, but was killed in April 2007 while on patrol in Basra. Jo was a talented and extremely popular member of OUHC, and, after her death, her parents and close friends set up an award in her memory that is given to whichever member is considered to best embody the spirit and ethos of Oxford University Hockey Club.

Together these two names acknowledge the sacrifices made by OUHC members in past and modern times, as well as paying homage to the founding of the club and the merging of the Men's and Women's hockey clubs in 1998.

The Marcon-Dyer club was founded in OUHC's 125th year, with the aim of securing the club's continued success through strengthening ties with alumni. It was superb to see alumni from many generations at the anniversary dinner at Lord's last year, and we look forward to seeing many more at Iffley in the Summer for the Alumni matches. Alumni increasingly help the club through regular giving, and we would particularly like to thank all those members who donate to OUHC. Your generosity ensures that current and future students will be able to enjoy moments like today, regardless of means. If you are considering donating to OUHC, please contact Duncan Graves (duncan.graves@gmail.com), or visit the alumni section of the OUHC website.

Finally, and arguably most importantly, we would like to wish the very best to all those taking to the pitch today, and thank those that have come to support them. OUHC was founded for this very match. Savour the moment.



1890 was the date of the first men's Varsity Match and the first women's match is thought to have taken place in the same era. As was the case then, the Varsity Matches represent one of the main focuses of the season, not only for the Blues players today but also for the Second and Third team players in their Varsity Matches.

The 1890 Club was set up in 2000, in the absence of the hockey equivalent of the separate alumni clubs which support many other University sports, in order to promote fellowship among Oxbridge hockey players who are members of their respective University Hockey Clubs. I had played a part in arranging the anniversary dinners for alumni of both University Hockey Clubs held in 1990 at the Savoy (100 years) and in 2000 at the Cafe Royal (100th match), and The 1890 Club continued this practice by holding two five-yearly formal dinners, in 2005 at the Cafe Royal and in 2010 at the Oval.

I am delighted that both University Hockey Clubs have now set up their own alumni clubs, CUHC the Vann Club in 2013 and OUHC the Marcon-Dyer Club in 2014. Each of these alumni clubs has already held a 2015 dinner, 125 years on from the first men's Varsity Match.

There has been another very important aspect to The 1890 Club. As sponsorship and central funding became harder to find, The 1890 Club assumed a key role in providing financial support for the Universities through helping to finance the University Hockey Matches. In recognising the significance of this day in the lives of all participants, The 1890 Club is pleased to have donated this year a further £1,500 towards the costs of today's matches, bringing its total donations to the two University Hockey Clubs to support their Varsity Matches to £18,000.

I firmly believe that the creation of hockey alumni clubs at each University, which promote fellowship and which provide direct funding to the University Club to which each alumnus naturally feels loyalty, is the best way forward, and The 1890 Club therefore encourages its members to transfer their membership to their own alumni clubs. Whilst its members make this transition, The 1890 Club will continue to accept subscriptions which will help to finance University Hockey Matches, and thereby help both Universities. I wish the Vann Club and the Marcon-Dyer Club every success.

I hope that the name of The 1890 Club will survive in the long term, and I sincerely thank all those who helped its creation, who have supported it and who continue to do so. If it has been a catalyst for the formation of the two separate hockey alumni clubs, I will feel that it has played a most worthwhile role.

Mike Barford, President mikebarford@hotmail.com

The Vann Club



The Vann Club is the alumni organisation for past members of CUHC. Its membership includes all the clubs which were merged to form the current, amalgamated hockey club in 2003. The Rev. Bernard William Vann was a 1910 Cambridge hockey blue. As a Lieutenant Colonel he was the only ordained clergyman of the Church of England to win the Victoria Cross in the Great War as a combatant. The Vann Club is named in his honour.

The Vann Club aims to provide information to alumni about Varsity match and significant updates occurring at CUHC. Fear not, you won't receive a weekly email with training schedules! Furthermore, each year the Vann Club aims to hold an alumni weekend including dinner on Saturday night and "old" boys and girls matches on the Sunday. This year's games were held on a chilly 22nd January and saw close fought Men's Blues, Women's Blues and Wanderers games, as well as a very successful social the night before (which in no way affected the quality of the hockey). On Saturday 13th January 2018 we will be holding a Gala Dinner at Jesus College to celebrate the 120th anniversary of the first women's Varsity Match. More details about this event will be circulated to Vann Club members later in the year.

Members are asked to make an annual donation to the club via standing order. The funds raised will be used to help pay for Varsity Matches and for developments at the Wilberforce Road hockey ground and pavilion. In recent years Vann Club funds have been used to install restored sets of honours boards at the Wilberforce Road pavilion and a much-needed kit storage cupboard. A trophy / memorabilia cupboard is next.

Your support is greatly appreciated and makes a significant different to the running of the club. For further information, including details for standing orders please contact Ian Wilson (diw11@cam.ac.uk) or visit http://www.cuhc.co.uk/welcome/vann-club.

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CAPTAIN'S REPORT – OUHC MEN'S BLUES

The Men's Blues 2016/17 season started with a solid base, as we had 11 returning Blues in our squad. We had an extremely busy preseason schedule and the team showed their class right from the outset. During preseason our ambition for promotion was affirmed as a realistic expectation. We won matches against three BUCS sides in the league above us, namely Bristol, Reading and Brookes. The preseason was capped off with a tough win away to a strong Sheffield side, where we showed a lot of grit and character.

In the Saturday league we have got ourselves in an excellent position to push for promotion. We are currently sat in second place, one point behind the leaders. The team has played some outstanding attacking hockey and pulled out some resounding wins against the likes of Lewes, Holcombe and Blackheath. In the second half of the season the focus needs to be on eradicating the lapses in concentration that have lost us games.

In the BUCS league it is a similar story, we are currently top of the league. However, as is the nature of BUCS, everything is still to play for. The key result this year was definitely the 1-0 win over Cardiff, which put us top of the league. It was an incredible performance from a depleted side that gave us control of the league again. Hopefully this will give us the mental edge over them in our next match, which could well decide who gets promoted.

The aim for the Blues now has to be to maintain focus and do justice to the way we've played up until this point, by securing promotion in both leagues.

Ryan Kavanagh Captain 2016/17



Back row, left to right: B. Reeves, W. Dry, A. Talbot, H. Taylor, A. Copestake, N. Francis, T. Morrison, M. Lilley, C. Magowan, N. Leach, J. Shaw. Front row: J. Dannatt, W. Mooney, A. Fanthorpe, R. Kavanagh, A. Oxburgh, D. Jones,

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SOUTH PREMIER DIVISION 2 2016/17

| 01/10/16 | Purley Walcountians | 1-2 L |
|----------|------------------------|-------|
| 08/10/16 | Holcome 1a | 5-1 W |
| 15/10/16 | Trojans | 5-4 W |
| 22/10/16 | Ashford | 2-1 W |
| 29/10/16 | West Hampstead | 2-1 W |
| 05/11/16 | Winchester | 2-2 D |
| 12/11/16 | Blackheath and OE | 4-1 W |
| 19/11/16 | Bournemouth | 4-2 W |
| 26/11/16 | Staines | 1-1 D |
| 03/12/16 | Tulse Hill and Dulwich | 3-2 L |
| 10/12/16 | Lewes | 7-1 W |
| 14/01/17 | Purley Walcountians | 2-1 W |
| 28/01/17 | Trojans | 4-1 W |
| 04/02/17 | Ashford | 4-0 W |
| 11/02/17 | West Hampstead | 1-1 D |
| 18/02/17 | Winchester | 4-1 W |
| 25/02/17 | Blackheath and OE | 2-1 W |

BUCS DIVISION SOUTH B 2016/17

| 19/10/16 | King's College London | 4-0 W |
|----------|------------------------------|--------|
| 26/10/16 | University of Bath 2nd | 5-0 W |
| 02/11/16 | University of Cambridge | 1-1 D |
| 09/11/16 | St Mary's University College | 9-0 W |
| 16/11/16 | Cardiff University | 1-0 W |
| 23/11/16 | Bournemouth University | 6-3 W |
| 25/01/17 | King's College London | 3-2 W |
| 01/02/17 | University of Cambridge | 1-0 W |
| 08/02/17 | St Mary's University College | 10-0 W |
| 01/03/17 | University of Bath 2nd | 3-0 W |

OUHC OCCASIONALS SEASON REPORT (MEN'S 2s)

The O's are enjoying another great season together. With Mark Rutherford as our Coach for the third year, we are continuing to develop an attacking style of hockey and have enjoyed plenty of high-scoring and dramatic games. In Division 2 of the London League we are vying for promotion, sitting third with three games in hand and buoyed by a recent 5-4 victory over the league's leaders. Our fate has been contrasting in the BUCS Midlands Universities League, where we've found ourselves in a fight to stay up after losing several close games by a single goal at the start of the year. However, victories over the same teams after Christmas go to show how far this group has come over the course of the season. With a rich blend of freshers, returning I's, and well-seasoned O's, the team is well-balanced and works hard for each other.

Jonathan Attwood
Captain 2016/17

INFREQUENTS' TEAM REPORT (MEN'S 3s)

After a characteristically shaky start to the season, the Infrequents have done extremely well so far this season. We are pushing for top of the league in BUCS, we are in round 3 of the BUCS cup, and we are closely behind the Occasionals in the Saturday League.

Both our Coach, Conor Magowan, and our new freshers have added a lot to the team and OUHC. They have pace, excellent hands, and impressive commitment to the team on and off the pitch. In conjunction with the more senior players of the team, we have fostered a positive team atmosphere, which will hopefully continue throughout the rest of this term.

Nicholas Hooper Captain 2016/17

SPORADICS (MEN'S 4TH)

The year 2016 will be remembered by many as a sour year. With the doomsday clock moving closer to midnight, all would seem lost. However, a team was born out of this chaos and despair. The Sporadics. Last but not least of the Men's teams in the club they entered the MBBO div 4 on a Saturday. Taking like a lame duck to water, the team lost their few opening games, but you could see the potential was ready to be unearthed. By midway through the season, this band of brothers had formed a strong bond with each other, and it began to show on and off the pitch. Pulling themselves out of the relegation zone and starting to climb the table, they looked unstoppable. Going into the second half of the season a mixed run of form has stabilised their position in mid table. With 5 games left this season, they will be looking to climb into the top half.

Arron Thind Captain 2016/17



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Still boring, still has overrated hair and unsurprisingly nothing new to report.

See Varsity programmes 2015 & 2016 for further details.



Name William Mooney D.O.B. 02/10/1994

Newcastle Royal School Grammar School

Year Subject Physics College Jesus

Previous 2016 Blues

This full-time snacker, part time goal scorer has long looked up to Sam Greenbank as the more sociable and popular of the 4th year physicists. This year this has involved the addition of DoD's to his game claiming "everything I do, I do it to make Bonky proud". For a man so determined to be early to matches you might expect him to be present at fines from time to time. At least his numerous match reports are on time. The similarities don't end with DoD's though, they are both badgers in every sense of the word, short with dad-bods and sub-par lids. Regardless, Mooney still managed to catch the eye of a certain Fanthorpe, only to have him cruelly stolen away; I can't imagine Bonky would have let that happen.

Name

Thomas Williams

04/05/1994 D.O.B.

School Epsom College Year 1st

Subject

Chemistry (DPhil)

College Balliol

Previous 2015, 2016

Rlues



Name Andrew **Fanthorpe**

09/10/1995 D.O.B.

School Trinity School Croydon

3rd Year

Subject Classics

College St Benet's

Honours Surrey, JRPC, Tier 1 (Tonbridge

Tigers)

Previous 2016 Blues

The name 'Andrew' derives from the Greek Avopeag (Ανδρεας), which was derived from ανδοειος (andreios) 'manly. masculine', as Fanners will know. It is not surprising, therefore, that the 'man' who seems to be physically unable to stay at a nightclub past the hour of 12:30am has been given a more fitting nickname: RainmanTM. Although this name was assigned to Vulva for NBA 2k16 related reasons, on a second inspection, it is obvious that the name, in fact, describes his personality aptly. The Oxford Dictionary offers the following definition: The condensed moisture of the atmosphere falling visibly in separate drops. Fanners is quite literally visible moisture, although we hope he'll be able to Cope(land) with the atmosphere today and separate the Cambridge defence. It will be a shock if the Tabs can take their eves off his voluptuous lips and gorgeous jawline as he inevitably walks through their whole team after what I can only describe as a 6 month drinking ban.



Name 15/03/1996 D.O.B. School

Dr Challoner's Grammar School 3rd Year

Subject Geography College Christ Church

Previous 2016 Blues

Genghis Khan, Stalin, Pol Pot, Jattwood. These men were all undoubtedly better blokes than this slipperiest of snakes. Once viewed as an innocent flower about to bloom, on closer inspection Mark was revealed to have more in common with a Venus fly trap than a Lily. He certainly won't be sacrificing himself to save any children. Occasionally Mark takes a from supporting Donald Trump and pretends to be a defender for us, we're yet to actually see him do any defending though. His 'ad hominem' attacks on team mates have increased in venom this year, we think he's still upset about Davey leaving him. You'll recognise him as the one loudly telling everyone that when he was on the pitch last year we won 1-0.



Name **Andrew Oxburgh** D.O.B. 25/02/1997

School Elizabeth College, Repton

School

Year 2nd Subject Psychology and Philosophy

College St Hilda's Honours England U16,

U18 Previous 2016 Blues

Sportsman. Scholar. Gentleman. Lover. Four flatteries which our resident Michelin Man is too lazy to bother trying to obtain. When we first set eyes on Pot Belly, we knew it was only a matter of time before his legs buckled under his physical and egotistical mass. He now spends his time 'resting' his hamstring whilst playing Playstation and attempting to 'coach'. Officer Chubs' best days are definitely behind him since the time of his Halcyon days; international honours, loving father and OUHC poster boy. Now the closest Ox can get to osculation this year is with a pineapple. What a fall from grace! However all we can hope is that the pineapple has released some of his pent up stress and prevents him from trying to throw a tantrum at



Name Alexander Copestake

D.O.B. 19/06/1993 School Beechen Cliff Year 4th

Subject Economics
College Kellogg, Balliol

Previous 2013 Blues The chop and stacker has successfully escaped biscuit tin this year AN' 'E HAZ LIT up both the pitch and dance floor with some smoovement. sensational When we heard the former bog snorkelling world champion was going to rejoin the side we expected him to bring a competitive spirit however we didn't realise just how far this would extend. The chop took the term Schweffield to new lylz. He has even tried to eliminate any threatening male competition with his lethal reverse (back) stick shots. Coppers is hoping to prove himself as the mast of the Mens Blues ship today... Let's just hope his hockey is more successful than his stand up comedy tips. More importantly, Snickers is just happy that everyone else will be arriving to this match, as well as departing, in 1s.



Name **David Jones**D.O.B. 11/08/1996
School South Downs

College Year 3rd

Subject Biological Sciences

College Christ Church Previous 2015, 2016 Blues Dear diary,

the umpires this year.

Today is the day. I prepare by vigorously bathing myself. It is important to be clean today. I call my mum for any last minute advice, she replies: 'Just believe in yourself, and you can do anything my little Milky Bar baby'. Butterflies. Hopefully some vegan-friendly dry seeds will alleviate my nerves. I've been preparing for this day for the last year, why am I worried? I've put in too much hard graft and toil. Time to pack my bag; inhaler, check. Conditioner, check. Three stripes, check. Dignity... I relieve some stress by having a go at my personal assistant. He responds with an inane reMark. Finally it's time to depart. Headphones in. Ahhhh... 'Now or Never' -High School Musical 3: Senior Year. This is it. I lock up my bike. And there she is. My future girlfriend. Forellen together.



Name Henry Taylor
D.O.B. 22/09/1992
School Eton College
Year 1st

Subject Dphil Pharmacology

College New College

This year Henry's life goals have subtly changed; his aim is to get a Blue... However this year the Blue in question is George, not the blazer. He's been trying to find a way to break the news to Karen, but could find no better way than asking us to inform her through his Varsity profile. So sorry Karen! Right now that's over with, we can publicly announce to all of you, as well as George, Henry has booked St. Paul's Cathedral for your Wedding this summer! If you're reading this, you are cordially invited to what will be a magical day. In honour HTwizzlekicks' favourite pastimes, he has decided the wedding will be 'v-dragged' themed with a jazz band playing.



Name Noah Francis
D.O.B. 17/09/1997
School Whitgift School
Year 1st
Subject Chemistry
College St. John's
College

Honours England U16,

U18

The only thing that allowed us to rest easy once we heard that another Whitgiftian was joining us was the comforting thought that there was no way they could surpass Rykav's moisture. However, in both lid and behavioural form, Noz has managed to do the impossible by being a wetter bloke (Ryan wrote this). His resting gormless face underlies a general confused attitude to social interactions. On a night out, publicly announcing he's "trying really hard"in front of his romantic interest and peppering the cheese floor with imaginary bullets from his hand guns seem normal to him. In general, Youngling Noz has performed well in Fantasy, however there have been times when he didn't CHughes a girl quite as keen as him. Despite this, Noah has contributed adequate flair on the pitch and, with the skipper, makes up the starting screen pair of Ryan Nozling.



Name Alexander Talbot
D.O.B. 18/12/1995
School Sturminster
Newton High

School

College New College

Year 3rd Subject Mathematics Talby has been on a roll this year. Constantly. I mean really, it is relentless. When Talby first arrived we were very dubious about his lid, however now we are just straight up offended by it. The Sideshow Bob wannabe however has much better luck impressing the opposite sex with his aesthetics than his animated counterpart. After hearing that a new series of Dragon's Den-IS-ON, Talby got very excited and really hit the Mark(s) in his application. We were initially surprised by the success he has until one fateful journey home from Cardiff, when he blew us away with his rendition of Grace Kelly. At that moment we realised his 'game' revolves around his mastery of the arts. He has even cultivated a love for Shakespeare who famously pondered 'Talby or not Talby'. Talby was the answer.



Name Conor Magowan
D.O.B. 26/11/1996
School The Perse School
Year 2nd
Subject Engineering
College New College
Previous 2016
Blues

Swags has been reinvigorated this year with a switch of position from the Blues most street member to its resident Gravity Tester. We are glad to confirm that every time Conor has tested the theory he has indeed found that F=mg(+ a sore bum)[Taking upwards as positive]. We just hope that Swags doesn't conduct an experiment during the match and instead focuses on ensuring that the NHS has to spend a considerable amount to fix the ankles of Tab defenders. Swags has loved the atmosphere in the side this year, with Henry Taylor learning 'that's not me' (and forgetting every other song) as well as a group of freshers who have heard of Stormzy, Conor has felt more at home than ever and now can go to the local swag station of Nandos (ordering extra hot obvi!) with other members of the team without fear of them embarrassing



Name Thomas Morrison

D.O.B. 02/08/1994

School Rossall School

Year 2nd

Subject Economics and Management

College Lady Margaret Hall

Another addition to the brigade of blues players scuttling back from Worcester on a Thursday morning, TMO has finally found a female who considers him just as attractive as men do. Davev Yones is absolutely devastated. TMO's accent has left some of the team at odds as to what he is referring. For instance, when TMO seems to be saying 'booze', he is in fact attempting to buzz in for a quiz book answer. It is surprising that TMO has made the squad given his inability to play games to be honest. He showed a complete lack of ability in the well known OUHC proving ground of PubmasterTM. The reason for his ineptitude, we believe, was caused by him being unable to use a phone causing him to throw away what could've been a great result. We also guess this flaw caused his placement in PubmasterTM to be worse than expected.

him



Name **Thomas Barrett** D.O.B. 21/09/1991

School George Watson's College

Year 3rd Subject Atomic and

Laser Physics DPhil

College Balliol Honours Regional

Previous 2016 Blues

Barrett has made the unprecedented decision this year that he wants to socialise every now and then. With a thoroughly unexpected appearance at fines night rumors have begun to circulate that he might actually like us!?!? To further substantiate these claims he even made a showing at Christmas dinner and has seemingly removed all D***** kit from his wardrobe! Even the purple shirt he owns has only been spotted once. All of this has left us wondering what on earth has happened to cause such a change. The leading theory is that Tom has reached his midlife crisis and instead of buying a flashy car is instead drinking with a bunch of students to prove that age is no barrier to fun and with over 100 points in fantasy this year who are we to say that it



Name Jadon Buckeridge

D.O.B. 21/09/1997
School The Portsmouth
Grammar School

Year 1st Subject PPE

College Mansfield

Sometimes when freshers arrive at Oxford, it takes them a while to come out of their shells; in Jadon's case, we currently predict a 2019 exit. Fortunately for the Mens' Blues, we are used to defenders with low volume (cf. Tom Williams Varsity programme 2017). For a shy guy, he's not afraid to show some skin... and some cleavage. For most of the Mens Blues, the most confusing point of the year has been experiencing Jadon in drag - Mark Lilley, 'Wow, Dave, look at that stunner!'. Clearly it struck a chord with the female half of the club driving them MAD to the point they would DIE to have a chance with him. We fell Jadon will definitely be raring to go today, having been given extra motivation to shoe the



Name Ryan Kavanagh
D.O.B. 26/09/1995
School Whitgift School

Year 2nd Subject Physics

College Worcester Honours JRPC U18, JAC U17

Previous 2016 Blues

Ryan Kavanagh: Leader, playmaker, pleb. Ostensibly, RyKav is an unlikely choice for an OUHC captain; perpetually shlidded, fishing victim and former winner of The World's Cockiest Fresher Award 2015-16 (and it's not just his ego that's inflated). Coming from Whitgift, it's no surprise that he considers himself above the rules, hence his blatant refusal to complete a single match report (current debt owed in excess of £150). Though performing well on the pitch, due to his relentless focus on the team as a huge badger, the Broccoli man's performance has suffered in other aspects of his university life. This has become evident through certain Cashew transactions between Ryan and his girlfriend. As a result, she has been forced to take matter into her own hand now the ball is undoubtedly in her court. Despite these flaws, Ryan has the potential to statistically be OUHC's most successful captain ever no pressure.



Name **George Oyebode** D.O.B. 19/11/1997

School Whitgift School Year 1st

Subject Classics
College Exeter College

George has had an 'Ell of a first year! Touted as the fittest fresher at Exeter College, you can only imagine our disappointment when we discovered that he not only failed to meet those expectations but was actually an honorary of Worcester member College. Sadly, after an unsuccessful Nexus chirpse, it seemed mid-term that the walk to Worcester was too great a trek and instead decided to spread his wings a bit closer to home. Not only were George's physical attributes highly anticipated by the team, but of course his talent on the pitch. Even John was excited by the prospect of a quality keeper, and he wasn't disappointed - 'He's the best... keeper I've ever seen, and I used to play for England'. However, John left us dumbfounded when refused George the choice of his favourite colour of kit.



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CAPTAIN'S REPORT – OUHC WOMEN'S BLUES

The Women's Blues experienced a challenging yet promising start to the season. After losing key players from last year's winning Varsity squad, the addition of some of last year's Rads and new Freshers meant the Blues had a new, large, strong squad continually competing for selection. Our Saturday league has proven extremely tough this year with three of the other club sides not being able attain promotion, due to their respective Ladies' 1s sides playing in higher leagues.

The team's initial difficulty to convert our dominating style of play and opportunities into goals lead to our disappointing and undeserved league position but due to our recent results we are secure in the league for next season. Every match has been attacked with huge effort and this has been reflected through results against teams at the top of our league. The team put in outstanding performances against both Barnes, top of the table, only losing 1-0 and Surbiton, who are second, drawing 1-1. Results such as these provide great hope for the rest of the season.

Our BUCS league witnessed the arrival of Cambridge after their promotion at the end of last season, making it all that more important to perform well each week. After finishing second in the league we've secured our safe position for next year and set ourselves up to be real contenders in the upcoming cup competition. Gaining a bye in the first round of the cup, we are set to play Edinburgh in the semi-finals, the furthest an Oxford Women's team has ever made it in the competition. Outstanding results have proved us to be rarely outplayed, shown through our 3-0 win over top of the table Exeter. After a tough start to the season, the team has experienced massive improvement and are positively looking forward to the run up to Varsity, especially with Cambridge being two places below us in our Wednesday league table.

Naomi Kelly Captain 2016/17



Back row, left to right: I. Brown, S. McNab, P. Nicholls, G. Whitaker, K. Dennison, S. Spink, M. Hughes, S. Shakespeare, J. Shaw.

Front row: A. Copeland, M. Burnell, A. Koehli, C. Bailey-Williams, N. Kelly, S. Stewart, R. Harrison, L. Donovan.

SOUTH PREMIER DIVISION 1 2016/17

| 24/09/16 | Reading 1a | 0-1 | L |
|----------|------------------------|-----|---|
| 01/10/16 | Staines | 4-1 | W |
| 08/10/16 | Tulse Hill and Dulwich | 4-1 | L |
| 15/10/16 | Woking | 1-0 | W |
| 22/10/16 | Horsham | 2-2 | D |
| 05/11/16 | Wimbledon | 0-1 | L |
| 12/11/16 | Surbiton | 1-1 | D |
| 19/11/16 | Barnes | 0-1 | L |
| 26/11/16 | Maidenhead | 0-1 | L |
| 03/12/16 | Maidenhead | 0-2 | L |
| 28/01/17 | Reading 1a | 0-0 | D |
| 11/02/17 | Tulse Hill and Dulwich | 1-3 | L |
| 18/02/17 | Staines | 7-3 | W |
| 25/02/17 | Woking | 1-1 | D |

BUCS DIVISION SOUTH A 2016/17

| 12/10/16 | University of Cambridge | 1-2 | L |
|----------|-------------------------|-----|---|
| 19/10/16 | University of Bristol | 1-0 | W |
| 26/10/16 | Unversity of Exeter | 1-1 | D |
| 02/11/16 | Cardiff University | 2-1 | W |
| 23/11/16 | University of Bath | 3-0 | W |
| 18/01/17 | University of Cambridge | 1-1 | D |
| 25/01/17 | University of Bristol | 4-1 | W |
| 01/02/17 | Unversity of Exeter | 3-0 | W |
| 08/02/17 | Cardiff University | 4-1 | W |
| 15/02/17 | University of Bath | 3-2 | W |

RADICALS (2NDS) SEASON REPORT

To sum up the Radicals season so far, 'fun' is the word which springs to mind. With a huge contingent of freshers and only a few returning senior members, our team has faced the perennial problem of having to find cohesion in a very short space of time. This year, our focus has been the Saturday League and we hope to finish in the top half of the competition. However, in classic Rads style, we like to make things hard for ourselves and have started very slowly. In BUCs, however, the Rads have demonstrated their potential to play some beautiful hockey and we are, deservedly, at the top of the league. A triumph so far has been our game against Loughborough, in which we clawed back from a 0-4 loss at half time to a 5-4 win by the final whistle. This shows the determination we are capable of, and I can guarantee this grit will be shown at Cambridge. I'd like to thank Potbelly, Fanners and Greenbank for their great dedication to our team so far. As a returning coach, Sam has led us superbly and his commitment to our team is appreciated more than words can express. His old and (occasionally) grumpy demeanour starkly contrasts to the youth of the two Andys. Encouraging flair so highly, they have made this season very enjoyable, with it being near-on impossible for their energy not to rub off on us.

Ellen Young Captain 2016/17

MAVERICKS (3RDS) SEASON REPORT

The Mavs have had yet another wonderful season! We are lucky enough to have Nick and Davey coaching us again, with Tom Morrison as a new addition to the trio. The boys' dedication and enthusiasm is contagious, and the girls continue to strive to improve under their keen advice

Michaelmas term involved many beautiful sunrises over Tuesday's early morning trainings, a couple of winning penalty flicks, a hungry caterpillar themed team night, 5 too many trips to the JR hospital a few goodbyes to rising stars joining the Rads and many more hellos to wonderful freshers. Many valued members of the team graduated last year, which was a huge loss for the Mavs. Consequently the beginning of our season was slow (as it often is!) due to not having established a team yet, and unfortunately the end of term was even slower due to almost- every- members departure on varsity ski trip. However we have welcomed 9 new hockey freshers who have quickly settled into the spirit of the club and have made a great impact on the team!

This term we have had a few cracking results- we went on an adventure to beat UEA 3-1, putting us second in our BUCS league, and a couple of solid wins has left us comfortable, mid-table in Division 1 of our Saturday league. A few difficult losses against Loughborough can be forgotten in light of the girls brilliant attitudes and team spirit.

Jemima Scrase Captain 2016/17



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Name Caitlin **Bailey-Williams**

22/10/1995 D.O.B. School Westminster Year 3rd

Subject History College Christchurch

Honours Futures Cup Previous Blues Varsity 2015, 2016

Blues

Can the strength of Hercules be found in someone "quite tall actually" (-1 self nom)? Yes, it is possible and its name is Caitlin Bailey-Williams. On a constant diet of protein shakes and gym induced endorphins, CBW can lose no battle on or off the pitch.

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Oh yeah and watch Tabs this gym bunny will squash your Varsity dreams quicker than a watermelon between her thighs.



Name Imogen Brown D.O.B. 25/03/1996

School Sir William Borlase

Year Subject Material Sciences

Blues

College Mansfield

Honours U16 Futures Cup Previous Blues Varsity 2015

Immy has blown the cobwebs off her astros to make a welcome return to the squad after a year of cricketing exploits and unfortunate injuries. At training she will always keep us entertained with the endless jazzing up of her snazzy wheels and thankfully she has not forgotten how to use her stick. Her skills have the opposition (and herself) spinning though, sadly, her astros did not fare so well after the year of neglect so Immy has spent much of the first half of the season on the ground. A special delivery from Santa has meant her feet can once again keep up with her hands so she will be flying past everyone today.



Name Maddie Burnell D.O.B. 17/12/1996 Bristol Grammar School School 2nd Year

Subject History of Art College St Peters

Honours Honours: U17 HiPAC, U18 Futures Cup

Previous Blues Varsity Blues 2016

Maddie is the kindest person on the team. She goes to M&S before matches and buys her friends pasta boxes (and helps us to understand why it is good value). She is always willing to help, and go the extra mile. She never savs no. Pushover some may say, but no, Maddie is just incredibly generous and has a heart of gold. Her tendency to help out has led to her organising a fun-packed social calendar for the blues this year. Ever prominent in Park End, she has also compassionately stayed over at the houses of other team members, to ensure their friends get home safely. On the pitch, her alternative personality comes through and she is a force to be reckoned with down the wing. Famously already super fit from lifting skates over the Christmas holidays, better watch out as Maddie is one to be watched in the blues this year.



Name **Alexa Copeland** D.O.B. 06/07/1998 Tiffin Girls' School School Year 1st

Subject Economics & Management

College St Peters Honours U16 IRPC Despite only being a fresher, Alexa has got involved in every aspect of OUHC, both on and off the pitch, and has already soared to the top of the Fantasy table. Her legendary fancy dress game is one of the strongest in the club. In one term alone she painted her whole body red, rocked a gingerbread house costume, showed her attraction for MB's in dinosaur onesies, and she has been known to check her cardboard creations into the cloakroom of Park End to avoid them getting soggy with VK. Alexa has also proved to be a girl of all climates; she soaks up the sun in Miami, tears down the snowy ski slopes and she particularly enjoys the rain(man). But don't let her chilled, funloving persona fool you. On the pitch Alexa is often seen out-skilling her opposition and charging towards the goal, striking fear into anyone who stands in her way.



Katie Dennison Name $D \cap B$ 02/12/1997 School

Wellington College Year 1st

Subject Geography

College St Catherine's Honours U17 HiPAC. U18 Futures Cup. U18 NAGS Academy

Katie quickly established herself as one of the most valuable f antasy players within OUHC, with an impressive 358:13 points price ratio by mid-season, she has scored the majority of her points in Parkend. Her infatuation for the sport and those who play it was seen at the start of her Oxford career, and it can be said that Katie has every quality a great keeper could possibly possess. Her concentration is unparalleled as she becomes intensely fixated on the ball, rumour has it, she's had a lot of practice.... Her incredible shot stopping ability could be down to her quick hands, especially when they move from being by her side to a cupped position by her face. But fingers crossed the shots she takes won't be going down the wrong way like they were on that frightful night... No matter what the Tabs have up their sleeves, Katie will stand "large and in charge", building a wall in goal that no one can pass. So the question of a Varsity win is no longer a 'to be or not talby' option for the Oxford Ladies' Blues but instead a guaranteed win!



Lucy Donovan Name D.O.B. 16/01/1997 School Reigate

Grammar School Year 2nd

Subject Biomedical Sciences

College Keble Honours U18 JAC

Previous Radicals Varsity Blues 2016

Loosey Don-Dons is the definition of her name: she can be found absolutely loving life in hockey corner with VKs in both hands, singing every word to every song, and she is the don, or 'the s***' as Urban Dictionary defines it. Some also know her by 'Gears' because she literally has all the gear, in terms of hockey stash and Zara clothing. This abundant supply of stash is put to good use on the pitch though as she effortlessly tackles the ball off any forward coming near her. Her dedication to hockey is also evident through her alter-ego, 'aggro Lucy', who comes out several times a week, like when there is trouble with the kit cupboard key or when a traffic jam jeopardises her chances of joining her pals on hockey tour. Aggro Lucy will definitely make an appearance today, if not during the match, then at the ball.



Rachel Harrison Name D.O.B. 30/09/1996 School Perse School Year 2nd

Subject Medicine College Magdalen

Honours U18 JRPC Previous Radicals Varsity

Blues 2016

Rachel, aka, BAEchel. Medic Rachel will have no empathy when it comes to Cambridge and her bed side manner will be very different from her pitch side manner. Cambridge be scared. Rachel is here to win and there is no room for caring for others except those wearing dark blue. Rachel is not only talented on the hockey pitch, but she is the only member of the blues team to have discovered the secrete room in Parkend. Actually, I don't think any of the other blues want to enter that room, but well done anyway Rachel! Rachel is competing for best in family, as both her younger siblings are holding places at Oxford, but + a trillion for being a blues hockey player, and just think of all those plus points when we win varsity!



Name **Megan Hughes** 18/04/1997 D.O.B. Read School Year 2nd Biomedical Subject

Sciences

College St Annes Honours U18 JRPC

Previous Blues Varsity Blues 2016

Off the pitch, few members of the team exhibit such tranquility, kindness and happiness to help as Megan - who else would have happily agreed to take on the endlessly frustrating role of kit sec? However, anyone who has been on the receiving end of Megan's wrath (usually for failing to put hockey balls back in the right bag) knows the fearsome icy calm that she brings to the Ladies blues. When stepping on to the pitch, Megan transforms into a phenomenal defender with perfectly timed tackles that makes any attacker quake in their astro boots. Her skilfully deceptive sweep from the back often deceives opposition and teamates alike! Not satisfied with life as a defender, Megan is known to utilise her dazzling stick skills to out manoeuvre all unsuspecting opposition defenders, and is amongst this season's top scorers. Now a senior member of the team. Megan is happy to show the kids how its done on and off the pitch, and can often be found slurping VKs and lunging across the dance floor. So watch out Tabs, don't try and slip past this ice-queen - you'll just look silly!



Name Naomi Kelly
D.O.B. 22/02/1997
School Reed's School
Year 2nd
Subject Geography
College St Catherines

Honours U16 England, U18 England

Previous Blues Varsity Blues 2016

Freshers are often defined by first impressions, and despite a quieter initial entrance to OUHC, Nams was no exception. Whether they be accurate or not, nicknames form and names stick. Posh tw*t, weirdo, fantasy point fiend, and "the most competitive person I've ever met" (source Anon), have all dogged her past.

But second year is a chance for a fresh start, to move past the caricature created as a fresher.

To the outside observer Naomi Kelly appears to be doing just this; after all she's the new Captain of the Blues team, hasn't been spotted pre-ing on Prosecco for some time, and few whispers of Parkend gossip follow her anymore.

But we know better: Christmas trips to Dubai, Asos shopping bills, inappropriate eye contact (I could go on), tell the real story.

Naomi Kelly hasn't changed, and frankly we hope she never does.



Name Annie Koehli D.O.B. 14/09/1995 School Bristol Grammar School

Year 3rd
Subject Geography
College Keble

Honours U16 Futures Cup, U17 HiPAC

Previous Blues Varsity Blues 2015, 2016

Having played hockey alongside Annie for five years, three of which years she was my captain - I can confirm that she is great. I've spent my whole life trying to keep up with her and her endless list of achievement (I might add not overly successfully), however for the last three years, every September, there is one thing in which she has managed to completely out do me - in the art of starting 'longterm relationships'. In an endless endeavour to follow in Annie's footsteps, I've made a list of observations which I shall try to follow in years to come: Always attend Park End during preseason - Annie's relationships always start there. Don't bother dating anyone outside of OUHC - Annie only goes out with hockey players. Don't worry about height, age or appearance there is no general trend. Relationships aside, Annie is a formidable hockey player, one of the best friends I could possibly have asked for - and a bloody tough act to follow.



Name Shona McNab
D.O.B. 10/12/1996
School Firrhill High
School
Year 2nd

Subject Material Sciences

Sciences
College Corpus Christi

Honours Scotland U18
Previous Blues Varsity
Blues 2015, 2016

provides endless amusement on our way home from matches, as her famously poor Scottish accent is outshone by those of the rest of the team. On the pitch, her smooth skills, particularly around the top of the D, are a fabulous asset and her reverse stick steals have put many a cocky young midfielder to shame. However, beware, don't upset this fiery Edinburgh gal as she has been known to throw her hockey stick at those who deprive her of her chance of glory. Shona's legendary forays along the entire length of the pitch are frequently accompanied by shouts of "Roll the right" from one John Shaw on the side-line. But rest assured, when she does roll the right, this wee lassie is a force to be reckoned with



Philly Nicholls

11/03/1996

Name D.O.B. School

School City of London Freeman's Year 3rd

Subject Biology
College Somerville
Honours U16 JAC

Previous Radicals Varsity Blues 2015, 2016

On the pitch, Philly always gives 100%. Her sneaky skills and determination are a source of constant frustration for the oppo. Whilst Philly is famously an amazing person, she is outdone by her dog, Boris. Whenever Boris attends matches, this cuddly canine captures the hearts of all. While Philly insists that she doesn't pay Boris, some speculate that she simply uses him as a political ploy to gain favour with her teammates and distract the opposition. Philly's skills on the hockey pitch can only be matched by her moves in parkend. Whether dressed as a flamingo or a whoopie cushion, Philly can found cutting shapes on the dancefloor, VK or three in hand. Philly's truly kind-hearted nature is always on show after such hockey related nights out. Philly is in fact such a nice person that she has been known to have friendly "interactions" with random strangers she meets in the street. But watch out tabs, don't be fooled by her kind demeanour,

on pitch she spares no one.



Name Sophie Shakespeare

D.O.B. 02/03/1998 School Marlborough

Year 1st
Subject Maths
College Christ Church

College

Honours U16 England, U18 England

The Bard and Shakes share more than just a surname: both write prolifically on the subject of love. While Shakes doesn't quite compose plays, the various whatsapp messages pertaining to both her superhuman exercise regime and her past status as captain of the England team could be read as an Ode to Shakes. This, combined with a paidfor tinder account and the wildest of Park End behaviour suggests that Shakes is on the prowl. And if she is as anything as determined as she is when flashing her insane 3D skills, no doubt she will scoop a man as successfully as she scoops the ball. This is helped by her supreme play in the D and speediness in reaching said D. When not playing hockey, Shakes likes to use her first year maths to estimate the probability of her scoring a goal in the next game.



Name **Sophie Spink** D.O.B. 03/08/1996

School Marlborough
Year 2nd

Subject Philosophy & Psychology

College Teddy Hall Honours U18 JRPC. U18

nours U18 JRPC, U18 Futures Cup

Previous Blues Varsity Blues 2016 What is the most important thing Spink has brought to the Women's Blues this year? Her "sledgehammer" slaps? Her rapid short corner injection, putting the Men's Blues to shame? Her seemingly vast friendship group (shown by having attended more 21st Birthday parties than the rest of the team combined [in white tie... **Big Fat Posh Tw*t**])? Stealing the spot of being "cool as f*ck" (Burnell, 2016), with the tragic loss of Abi Ashford from the Women's Blues? Her classically inappropriate and behaviour around the University, not to mention on her Gap Yah? No, it is in fact her Other Half. Our most loyal supporter. So loyal in fact, that he tries to ensure no conversation is had on the sideline, simply to engage more deeply in the game. If we are lucky, he even makes away games. We would be nowhere without you Charlie Karsten.. so thank you.



Name **Siobhan Stewart** D.O.B. 19/05/1995

School Lewiston school
Year 4th

Subject Biology College Brasenose

Honours U18 JRPC
Previous Blues Varsity

Blues 2014, 2015, 2016

Siobhan Stewart made the decision to return to Oxford to do a masters at the end of last term, but we all know it was because she wasn't truly ready to let go of OUHC. Now as one of the oldest (and possibly wisest) in the team, our little friend had to venture out of Hobiton and take her minibus test, in order to ferry the younger lot to and from matches. Regardless of how she felt about this, her new job as chief driver fitted her role as travel sec perfectly. The masters' student has learnt from her previous ways and her visits to Park End have been somewhat sporadic however when spotted, it is with VK in hand, unashamedly dancing in hockey corner (no sightings of any snoozing yet). A veteran of the Dark Blue Squad, she isn't to be reckoned with, take it from the freshers Tabs, this unassuming hobbit can be utterly terrifying.



Name Georgie Whitaker

D.O.B. 22/07/1997 School Sir William Borlase's

Year 2nd
Subject Medicine
College Merton

Georgina Whitaker lives on a planet far away from Oxford, and occasionally teleports in for training and matches on Iffley Road.

After spending a year experimenting with various extra curricular activities including quidditch, exploration club and kickboxing, she decided that settle back to her fondest hobby- hockey. Probably wise, as she is quite good.

If you don't know who she is, you'll probably notice her on the pitch today. She has this amazing ability that makes everyone trying to tackle her look like they've never played hockey before. Let's hope this aesthetically pleasing display of skills come into full flourish for the crowds today. Go Dark Blue!



Name Rachael Dellar
D.O.B. 14/09/1990
School Royal High Bath
Year 4th

Subject Graduate Entry Medicine

College Green Temple
Honours Full Blue 2011,
Half Blue 2012

Occupation: Graduate Medic

Age: lost in the mists of OUHC years past, one of the only current members of OUHC who may well have referred to Duncan Graves as 'that weird fresher' or 'one-foot-in-the-gravesy.'

Expectation: On learning of the above credentials at the start of the season, the returning team pictured a wise and mature old timer, an individual dedicated to science and medicine to the exception of all else.

Reality: Instead the team was greeted with a fun loving and sprightly keeper (one of the few that has been seen to run around voluntarily in full kit). A pre-game boozer who may or may not have been spotted frequenting Maxwells dressed as a unicorn. Needless to say, this can be counted as one of the few occasions where expectation has been trumped by reality.

Special Skill: What she does with goldfish is her own business.

The proposed development would comprise of the following:

- · 2 sand dressed/filled artificial grass pitches;
- · Floodlighting to pitches 2 and 3;
- Fencing to pitches 2 and 3 incorporating acoustic backboards;
- · Replacement fencing to the existing pitch;
- A new section of balcony at first floor on the western side of the pavilion building;
- Improvements to existing cycle parking and provision of additional spaces;
- Provision of disabled car parking spaces for players and spectators/visitors; and
- · Associated landscaping and drainage works.

HOCKEY IMPROVEMENTS AT UNIVERSITY SPORTS GROUND WILBERFORCE ROAD, CAMBRIDGE



OXFORD UNIVERSITY

| Captain | 22 | NAOMI KELLY † |
|-----------|----|---------------------------------------|
| | | Reed's School |
| V-Captain | 6 | CAITLIN BAILEY-WILLIAMS † Westminster |
| | 8 | IMOGEN BROWN † |
| | | Sir William Borlase |

9 MADELEINE BURNELL †

Bristol Grammar School

4 ALEXA COPELAND
Tiffin Girls' School

1 RACHAEL DELLAR †
Royal High Bath

1 KATHERINE DENNISON Wellington College

26 LUCY DONOVAN *Reigate Grammar School*

38 RACHAEL HARRISON
Perse School

27 MEGAN HUGHES † Read School

10 ANNABEL KOEHLI † *Bristol Grammar School*

13 SHONA MCNAB † Firrhill High School

11 PHILIPPA NICHOLLS †
City of London Freeman's

7 **SOPHIE SHAKESPEARE** *Marlborough College*

12 SOPHIE SPINK †
Marlborough

3 SIOBHAN STEWART †
Lewiston school

39 GEORGINA WHITAKER Sir William Borlase's

† Denotes Old Blue

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY

| Captain | 11 | FAYE KIDD † <i>Belfast Royal Academy</i> |
|-----------|----|---|
| Gk | 1 | FREDDIE BRISCOE † Norwich School |
| | 3 | HARRIET MOORE † Dame Allan's School |
| | 7 | GEORGIE BURROWS Canford School |
| V-Captain | 9 | SALLY BRADLEY † Parmiter's School |
| | 10 | EMILY THORPE † <i>Ampleforth College</i> |
| | 13 | LUCIA CORRY † Forest School |
| | 14 | HATTY DARLING † <i>Malvern College</i> |
| | 16 | OLIVIA SHEARS Perse School for Girls |
| | 17 | MOLLY BUXTON King Edward's School, Bath |
| | 25 | HANNAH BROWN South Wilts Grammar School for Girls |
| | 40 | CAT COX † <i>King William's College</i> |
| | 48 | SOPHIA PADT † <i>Latymer Upper School</i> |
| | 51 | HATTIE BEVAN Cheltenham College |
| | 52 | CLARE MARSH Cranleigh School |
| | | |

† Denotes Old Blue

OXFORD UNIVERSITY

| Gk | 0 | GEORGE OYEBODE |
|---------|----|--|
| OI. | · | Whitgift School |
| | 5 | JADON BUCKERIDGE |
| | | The Portsmouth Grammar School |
| | 25 | MARK LILLEY † |
| | | Dr Challoner's Grammar School |
| | 7 | THOMAS WILLIAMS † |
| | | Epsom College |
| | 6 | NOAH FRANCIS |
| | | Whitgift School |
| | 99 | CONOR MAGOWAN † |
| | | The Perse School |
| | 10 | ANDREW FANTHORPE † |
| | | Trinity School Croydon |
| | 11 | DAVID JONES † |
| | | Cowplain Community School, South Downs College |
| | 1 | ANDREW OXBURGH † |
| | | Elizabeth College, Repton School |
| | 15 | HENRY TAYLOR |
| | | Eton College |
| | 17 | ALEX TALBOT |
| | | Sturminster Newton High School |
| | 14 | THOMAS MORRISON |
| | | Rossall School |
| | 12 | WILLIAM MOONEY † |
| | | Newcastle Royal Grammar School |
| | 8 | THOMAS BARRETT † |
| | | George Watson's College |
| | 9 | ALEX COPESTAKE † |
| | | Beechen Cliff |
| Captain | 18 | RYAN KAVANAGH † |
| | | Whitgift School |

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CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY

| THOMAS JACKSON † Warwick School | 14 | Captain |
|---|----|-----------|
| FERGUS FLANAGAN Oundle School | 0 | Gk |
| TOBY BROOKS Eastbourne College | 1 | Gk |
| FERGUS McNAB † <i>Firrhill High School</i> | 3 | |
| NIPUNA SENARATNE † Eton College | 4 | |
| RICHARD HESKETH † The Perse, Cambridge | 5 | |
| ROBIN WATTS Sullivan Upper School | 6 | |
| CHRIS WEBSTER † Trinity School, Croydon | 7 | V-Captain |
| KIERAN GILMORE † Simon Langton Grammar School | 10 | |
| PETER AKYOL † George Watson's College | 12 | |
| MATTHEW COCKERILL † RGS Guildford | 15 | |
| JAMES LARMAN <i>Trinity School</i> | 22 | |
| BEN DUDGEON d'Overbroecks College | 26 | |
| MATTHEW PYMAN <i>Lymm High School</i> | 31 | |
| EDWARD BOTTOMLEY The Perse School, Cambridge | 33 | |
| HENRY RUDD Stowe School | 55 | |
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† Denotes Old Blue



Epsom College would like to wish Old Epsomian Tom Williams the best of luck in his Varsity Matches



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Sports Scholarships available

CAMBRIDGE MENS BLUES SEASON REPORT

In many ways the Blues have struggled with problems typical of a university side. The annual influx and exodus of players has introduced a significant pool of talent but early results reflect the difficulties of adjusting to this new squad. Initially the team struggled to find a consistent rhythm for Saturday and Wednesday matches which was reflected in results. The outcome of early matches both leagues were disappointing despite the Blues producing sporadic glimmers of brilliance. A high point was certainly the accomplished performance against St Albans (top of East Prem A at the time of writing) leading to a 3-1 victory. Rather frustratingly, spells of dynamic and flowing hockey have proved somewhat erratic in nature and, as a result, the Blues have dropped points in a number of games against weaker opposition in both leagues.

In the run-up to Christmas and entering Varsity term the hard work from the squad and coach, Charlie Bannister, were beginning to pay dividends. The overall quality of performance has increased substantially as new players adjusted to the demands of Blues hockey. Of particular note is the way in which the team dealt with the pressure of a crucial match against Saffron Walden, a team sitting just two points behind Cambridge in the league, to run out winners 6-1. Again though, inconsistency has plagued the Blues' results. Poor performances and availability difficulties in BUCS matches on Wednesdays have left the team in the midst of a relegation battle. In their Saturday league the Blues are currently sitting mid-table in East Prem A and looking to use their remaining fixtures to climb the table.

Although performances and results have been somewhat inconsistent, it has been immensely satisfying to see the high quality of performances which the team can produce. The Cambridge Blues will enter into the Varsity match knowing that if they play to their potential the trophy will certainly be returning to Cambridge for a seventh consecutive year.

Thomas JacksonCaptain 2016/17



From left to right top row: Kieran Gilmore, Oliver Duckworth, Louis Totton, Matthew Cockerill, Thomas Jackson, James Larman, Fergus McNab, Henry Rudd

Bottom row: Chris Webster, Hugo Parry, Ben Dudgeon, Nipuna Senaratne, Matthew Pyman, Edward Bottomley, Peter Akyol, Robin Watts

Missing: Fergus Flanagan, Richard Hesketh, Toby Brooks and Charlie Bannister

CUHC BLUES RESULTS

East League Prem A

| | Last League I Iem A | |
|----------|-------------------------|-------|
| 17/09/16 | Letchworth 1 | 0-2 L |
| 24/09/16 | Old Loughts 1 | 3-2 L |
| 01/10/16 | Saffron Walden 1 | 3-5 L |
| 08/10/16 | St Albans 1 | 3-1 W |
| 15/10/16 | CoP 1 | 2-7 L |
| 22/10/16 | Chelmsford 1 | 5-0 W |
| 29/10/16 | Harleston Magpies 1 | 1-5 L |
| 05/11/16 | Cambridge City 2 | 2-3 L |
| 12/11/16 | Bedford 1 | 2-2 D |
| 19/11/16 | Dereham 1 | 0-1 L |
| 26/11/16 | Ipswich 1 | 3-2 W |
| 03/12/16 | Letchworth 1 | 2-2 D |
| 14/01/17 | Old Loughts 1 | 0-3 L |
| 21/01/17 | Saffron Walden 1 | 6-1 W |
| 28/01/17 | St Albans 1 | 1-3 L |
| 04/02/17 | CoP 1 | 3-4 L |
| 25/02/17 | Harleston Magpies 1 | 2-2 D |
| | South Prem B | |
| 19/10/16 | Cardiff Uni 1 | 1-2 L |
| 02/11/16 | Oxford Uni 1 | 1-1 D |
| 09/11/16 | King's College London 1 | 0-2 L |
| 16/11/16 | Bath Uni 2 | 3-1 W |
| 23/11/16 | Warwick Uni 1 | 0-0 D |
| 30/11/16 | St Mary's Uni College 1 | 1-0 W |
| 01/02/17 | Oxford Uni 1 | 0-1 L |
| 08/02/17 | King's College London 1 | 0-2 L |
| 20/01/17 | Cardiff Uni 1 | 2-3 L |
| 22/02/17 | Bath Uni 2 | 3-2 W |
| | W. C. D. L. | |

Varsity Results

| Blunderers: 1-1 On Shuffles: | Cambridge Win |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| Bedouin: 2-2 On Shuffles: | Cambridge Win |
| Squanderers: 1-1 On shuffles: | Cambridge Win |
| Nomads: 4-0 | Cambridge Win |
| Wanderers: 5-2 | Cambridge Win |

WANDERERS (2ND TEAM) SEASON REPORT

The Wanderers have seen significant changes this season with a new group of players and some old faces joining the coaching team. The new squad gelled very quickly, both on and off the pitch. This lead to a rampant start to the season, sitting at the top of the league at one point and within the top three for a significant number of weeks. Injuries and illness meant league form dipped for a while, however an increase in intensity before and after Christmas has seen results improve and leave the Wanderers sitting strong in Prem B once again. This culminated in an impressive victory against top of the league CoP, to give us the perfect pre-varsity build-up. It's hardly worth mentioning BUCS where we are on for an undefeated season with a goal difference of somewhere over 60, and on our way to lift the prestigious BUCS Midlands Conference Plate. It was sad for the team to see long-term coach Johnny Gibson leave at the beginning of the year, however we have been gifted with two excellent Blues coaches in Chris "I'm a Blue" Webster and Emily "Thorpedo" Thorpe who have taken the reigns admirably. A strong season all round, we're confident of a victory on Varsity day.

Will Archibald
Wanderers Captain 2016/17

SQUANDERERS (3RD TEAM) SEASON REPORT

This year the Squanderers have been playing in the East League 2N, having been promoted last season. With tougher teams to play, there has been no easy games and nothing but a top performance brings home all three points. However, the Squanderers have stepped up to this challenge and worked hard all year meaning they are now sitting comfortably in the top half of the table. The fundamental aim to hockey is to score more goals than your opponents. We're quite good at scoring goals and have scored 41 in the league so far. In fact, if you include our BUCS games, we've scored another 20 on top of that – even though we've only played two of those games. There are many memorable goals scored by Squanderers, from all over the pitch this year. But my personal favourite has to be when a hopeful Squandie smashed the ball towards goal, not too far from the half way line. The opposition keeper stepped outside for it to go for a sixteen, only for it to bounce off the post to Alex Cargill who tapped it in.

Joe Allen Squanderer's Captain 2016/17

MEN'S 4S REPORT

The College Academy was first set up in the 2015-2016 season with the aim to capitalise on Cambridge's excellent College League set-up. CUHC had noted the flair, skill and enthusiasm within the College Leagues, and felt we were missing a trick to develop the strength and depth of the club. The result was the CUHC Academy - free student led training sessions at Wilberforce Road for anyone who was interested. Having sensed interest and ability from Academy attendees, ambitions for the 2016-2017 season turned to forming 4th team development squads. After Academy training sessions throughout Michaelmas term, a Men's 4th team, the Blunderers, was selected during Lent Term. The Academy sessions have been well attended by men and women, and we would have loved to have been able to play a Women's 4th team match; this will certainly be a goal for next season. The Blunderers will play OUHC's newly formed Sporadics (albeit not quite as new) on 2s3s Varsity. CUHC is immensely grateful to Stefan Ulrich (Pembroke) who has volunteered to coach the Academy and the Blunderers, and to all those who have helped out. The Sporadics have been playing league matches all season, so we've got no real idea how the match will go, but under Stefan's tight coaching regime and with an able bunch of players, we think there' potential for a cracking encounter. Whatever the result, we hope that this is the start of something for CUHC, The Blunderers players, and 2s3s4s Varsity. Who'd have thought we could make the best day of the year even better?

Stefan Ulrich and Olivia Shears Academy Coach/Lead



CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY HOCKEY SQUAD **2017 PEN PORTRAITS**



Name **Thomas Jackson** D.O.B. 17/12/1993 School Warwick School Year Subject PhD Geography College Trinity Hall Previous Oxford 2015. Blues Cambridge 2016 The night begins in Hawks; the boys are watching the football and drinking a couple of lagers. Peter explains how if both teams score and the ball hits the bar and both managers get sent off and a plane crashes onto the pitch at half-time then he wins £5. The bet doesn't come in, but we decide to escalate anyway. Being a noble man, Tom decides to buy a couple of jugs of tomahawk to really get this night going - he can't hide his excitement when someone mentions potentially going to the club later. We begin some games which, naturally, Thomas leads and we begin to consume the sweet nectar. Fast forward a few hours and Tom is on the dance floor - he's spent his weekly budget on VKs and he's having a fabulous time. No one can hold this man back! He outlasts the whole team so no one can say how he gets home, but it's another textbook night from the loosest man in CUHC. Meanwhile, TJ Jackson is fast asleep, having been in bed since 10pm. It can be confusing having two friends with the same name! There's certainly no confusion about who I'd rather have leading me out at varsity though, and couldn't think of a better man than TJ to share the pitch with.

The self-proclaimed ladies' man of CUHC Brooks (jr.) arrived this year with a bang and a chop. Starting with the college mum and culminating in a lettuce at Clare ents, Toby will always be seen on a night out. However, the baby Brooks has realised the club will not pay for his vks. His collection of wavy garms and savagely good looks means the Oxf*rd ladies should be watching out. On the pitch however Toby has played for all 3 CUHC teams and is really preparing well for varsity by getting carded in a recent league game. He remains exceptionally agile in goal robbing many a forward and keeping the Wandies in the game on many occasions even after a pmb. The club occupant is raring to go and ready to beat the Oxf*rd squad and proceed onto his second order of business for the day, and that is a successful night ahead, after all he does have to live up to his title.



Fergus Flanagan Name D.O.B. 20/09/1994 School Oundle School Year 3rd

Subject Engineering College Gonville and Caius

Honours Wanderers 2016

When one looks beyond the smokescreen of the well dressed, polite and charming gentlemen, few things are known for sure about Fergus Flanagan. However, if you are a goal poaching striker, a pet owner in rural England, or even an unsuspecting fresher at your first CUHC Christmas Dinner, it is highly advisable that you do not enter his lair. Thus far, Fergus boasts an impressive list of accomplishments in his third year at Gonville and Caius; including a below par mini-golf round where his club of choice was a loaded gun, the hospitalising of no less than three freshers with only his bare hands, blatant abuses of power as a member of the Hawks Committee, and even a clean sheet now and again. Nonetheless, Fergus has been in impressive form in 2017 and it will be no easy task to get anything past him on the day.



Name **Toby Brooks** 16/11/1997 D.O.B. School Eastbourne College

Year 1st

Subject Natural Sciences

College Clare

Honours JRPC U16-18, 2012-2014



Name Fergus McNab D.O.B. 15/08/1993 Firrhill High

School School Year

2nd

Subject PhD Earth Sciences

College Magdelene Honours Occasionals

> Varsity 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015

Previous 2016 Blues

McNab is the name that evolved among the descendants of the people of Dalriada in ancient Scotland, and is the name for a person who worked as son of an abbot. This second piece of information may go some way to explain Fergus particular distain for Cindies and rather questionable lid, which costs him a fortune every week in fines. The source of his fear lampposts, on the other hand, is still a mystery. Since his transition from the other place over a year ago his love of shandies has not diminished, but his ability on the hockey pitch has flourished and Oxford should rightly fear his return to Southgate.



Name

Year

Nipuna Senaratne

D.O.B. 19/10/1993 School Eton 6th

Subject Medicine College Jesus

Honours Wanderers Varsity 2013

Previous Blues 2014, Blues 2015, 2016

A man in his 5th year of CUHC life: featuring 1 year of Wanderers, followed by 4 years as a Blue (I'll lose count if you include the cricket). Meet Nipuna 'C Bans Bae' Senaratne. Well known for his boisterous approach to life and laddish behaviour in the changing room, Nips has developed a bromance so strong, that sometimes we wonder if hockey is the priority. Nonetheless, Nipuna displays graceful, composed and calculated skills and tactics on the turf that leaves his fans mesmerised- needless to say that C Ban is the number one admirer of Bae. The experienced head of Nipuna will no doubt taunt Oxf*rd for yet another year, as he looks to dominate the midfield until the final whistle. With 5 years worth of fans, experience and C Ban, the CUHC Stalwart will be one to look out for on the #Vday.



Richard Hesketh Name

D.O.B. 30/03/1988 Year 3rd

School The Perse School

Subject PhD Oncology/ Radiology

College Christ's Previous Blues 2016 Rlues

It's 3am, Dr Rich slugs down a Coke zero and heads back into the A&E waiting room. "Who next?" he mutters out to the triage nurse. "Well we've got a couple of drunken guys and a boy who's swallowed 16 magnets, which one do you want?". Rich's face sinks as he grabs the boy's notes.

But Rich's talents are not only just for sorting out the Cambridge wounded. When not on the front line in A&E or cursing Jeremy Hunt he's focussed on cancer imaging. He takes pride in the good cause, "Donate to Cancer Research UK" he tells us... "It pays for my job". It might be paying for a new PhD though, as Rich lost all his data along with a million pound MRI machine recently destroyed in a mysterious "accident". Rich declined to comment but hopes the new machine gives him better experimental results. Suspicious...

After being exiled to Wales for medical school, a return to his light blue hometown in 2010 earned him a cricket blue and a second homecoming in 2016 a hockey equivalent. Since then he's gone from strength to strength becoming ever reliable in the back four. He goes into 2017 a veteran in Cambridge colours, and experience counts a lot come Varsity day.



Name D.O.B.

23/11/1997 Sullivan Upper Year 1st

Subject History College St. Catharine's Punctuality to all training sessions, smart appearance at post match tea and lid are three things that I admire about Robin Watts. Making his way into the Blues team from day one is no mean feat and as one of his two fellow freshers in the team, we all bonded pretty quickly; little did we know that Robin would turn out to be quite the snake at times leaving Tots and I to fulfil his fresher duties. Robin's unique ability to perform the 'squeeze' skill to get out of tricky situations in defence was unfortunately not transferable to the tricky situations that Robin often found himself in on a night out. The odd marks that he had on his neck at Thursday evening training were evidence of this and I always looked forward to hearing Robin's updates on his college romance at early morning fitness - it's a real shame that he was often preoccupied on a Tuesday morning. With a natural flare for carrying the ball up the pitch combined with his desire to please crowds, I believe Robin will thrive in the varsity match and I wish him luck in impressing his fellow CUHC St Cats fresher.



Name D.O.B.

Chris Webster 02/10/1995

Trinity School, Croydon 3rd

Year

Subject Geography

College Girton Honours JRPC U18, 2013

Previous Blues 2015, Blues 2016

It is remarkable, what Chris has achieved since arriving in Cambridge, when you consider his extremely small size. Today he will earn his third Blue in hockey, to go alongside another in cricket from 2016, and this year he is our vice-captain - not bad for a maggot who never seems to bother training (apparently it's not worth it). What he lacks in stature he makes up for with quick hands and a strong hit. The latter has led to questions being raised as to the legality of his stick. 36.5 inches tall, thin, lightweight and made of carbon fibre - Christopher really is a tiny man. This season has seen Chris grow (for want of a better phrase!) into a senior member of the squad. Having been plagued by injuries for much of his time at CUHC, he is particularly safety conscious, a trait that has leaked into his driving and often results in those travelling with him arriving several hours late to away games. Nevertheless, Chris is a key component to the forward line and will take us a long way towards winning if he fires today.



Name D.O.B.

Year

28/01/1995 School Simon Langton Grammar School

Subject Natural Sciences

College St Catharine's Previous Blues 2014. Blues 2015, 2016

Kieran, last year's Blue's captain, has had a quiet year thus far. After mapping-gate 2k16 he has decided that it's probably best not to stay up for three days straight and eventually need to enlist the help of three teammates and his girlfriend to finish an assignment. This change in attitude seems to have worked wonders though. Spending an average of 30 hours a day working on his part III project, he has discovered a new planet within the earth's crust! When asked about the gravity of this discovery he declined to comment but an anonymous source has informed us that his findings are sending shockwaves through the Cambridge Earth Sciences department. Another reason for Kieran's distinct lack of fun has been a certain lady friend.... Whilst in previous years you could find him chanting abuse at other sports clubs in Hawks' or going on post night out excursions to Cambridge airport this year he has elected to go to London every weekend to find out what vomit coloured jacket his girlfriend has chosen to wear. Despite his shortcomings in the lagering department Kieran has once again been a solid member of the team and a pleasure to play alongside. Let's make it four from four.



Name

Peter Akyol D.O.B. 09/03/1995 George Watson's College

Year Subject Natural Sciences

4th College Jesus

Honours Scotland U16. U18

Previous 2016 Blues

Peter grew up in Edinburgh and despite spending most of his youth peeping through keyholes he managed to represented Scotland at county level in junior agegroup hockey. He went on to play for CUHC from 2014-2016 earning his first and only Blue in a one-sided 2016 victory. After somehow retaining student status despite abysmal academic diligence, Peter has now decided to pursue his childhood dream of holding multiple Guinness World Records. Spurred on by early success with the world's worst earing and most Berocca consumed out of a pipe, further attempts have included consumption of a 1-hour gallon of milk without a chunder (failed 20.01.2017) and he will be providing the pre-game entertainment today by attempting to consume a 40 portion M&S Colin the Caterpillar cake in 4 minutes. At Varsity 2017, Pete will be hoping to replicate the fantastic support he provided from the stands last year. His future plans are to hire another first mate with a wooden leg before setting off for Somalia to take up a full-time role as a pirate.



Name

Matthew Cockerill

D.O.B. 27/12/1996 School **RGS** Guildford Year 2nd

Subject Engineering College St. Johns

Previous 2016 Blues

Now in his second year of playing in the Blues, Matt's growing confidence has been apparent on and off the field. Regular sightings in the Cambridge clubbing scene have led to a surprise inclusion in the Tab's top 100 BNOCs list, although this raises more suspicion than a Peter Akyol MOM vote. Matt has also taken up a coaching role within the club, and has lead the squanderers in a strong campaign alongside Union President, Monty Fynn. A big change for Matt this year was the decision to move out of college accommodation and live privately rent-free. He is enjoying the newfound freedom, apparent from the frequent inclusion of visitors in the house guestbook. He has also proven to be an excellent host, on occasion willing to give up his room to selflessly spend a night in the shed.

Oxford be warned. Matt has recently purchased a new pair of shorts in preparation for the Varsity match. It is rumoured that the new pair have extra-large back pockets after serious danger last year of them splitting at the



Name D.O.B.

10/02/1997 School d'Overbroecks College 2nd

Year Subject Engineering College St Catharine's

Honours Wanderers Varsity 2016 Born into a large family in Quebec, Canada Celine Doojon rose to stardom during her 2017 Cambridge tour. Packing out venues such as 22a Portugal Place (capacity 12) Celine wowed fans with an earthy yet pure rendition of her most famous track: 'My Heart Will Doojon'. While audiences seemed captivated by her performance, expert reviewers were left divided. One judge remarked, "the vocal's certainly left something to be desired - being audible". Another cast his analysis to the wider performance: "I was pleased that the vocals were overshadowed by the spectacular set hand-crafted by the performer". Indeed the perfectly scaled replica of the Titanic was an immediate hit with the audience. In fact, the model proved to be more durable than the inspirational vessel itself, although it did eventually succumb to rough conditions on the Cindies dance floor circa 3AM. Following the success of her Cambridge tour Celine has curiously turned her attention to sporting endeavours. With blistering pace, a fantastic work-ethic, and a truly woeful lid, she has completed a successful breakthrough season with the Men's Blues and, come Varsity day, is sure to cut the (Doojon) mustard.



Name Matthew Pyman D.O.B. 29/03/1997 School Lymm High

School
Year 2nd
Subject Natural Sciences

College Sidney Sussex

Honours U16 Futures Cup 2012, Wanderers Varsity 2016

If I were the other place, I would be scared to face Matt Pyface Pyman. He must be training 314% more than anyone else in the club as the outcome from his other ventures are more disappointing than a soggy crust. The activity to be neglected most has to be his CUHC role of Kit Sec. When applying for the role he promised to, "help and give back to the club in whatever way [he could]". Despite this promise, no one has received kit yet and his reputation in CUHC politics is undoubtedly singed. By now everyone at the club might have been getting a bit annoyed with him, but everyone knows he must be filling his Kit Sec time with extra training. It's the only explanation! Perhaps he had an ulterior motive for why he applied for the role, I suppose we'll never know. Anyway, come varsity time, we may not have kit, but at least we've got pie.



Name Edward Bottomley

D.O.B. 15/02/1996 School The Perse

School The Perse School Year 3rd

Subject History College Selwyn

Honours Wanderers

Varsity 2015, 2016

Ed lies down. He's in a happy place. He closes his eyes. He dreams of that diving deflection against Old Loughts. He thinks of James Larman and the Nomads press. He chuckles as he remembers falling over on the walks back for biscuits. He ponders: "Why does it hurt more falling on the pavement than it does tripping in the Junction? He dozes off. Suddenly Ed gets a tap on the shoulder. "Excuse me. I'm going to have to ask you to leave the club." He stands up. He stumbles. He places both of his hands in the air. He slurs "I'm innocent, I'm innocent". He is ejected from Cindies.

Now he is playing hockey again in the 117th Varsity hockey match. He has our best wishes. Good luck Botters.



Name Henry Rudd
D.O.B. 22/01/1994
School Stowe School

Year 1st
Subject PGCE

College Homerton Honours OBUHC 2013-16 Henry Rudd transferred to CUHC this year from the leading Hockey university in Oxf*rd, where he experienced local rivalry with the lesser known (dark blue wearing) polytechnic. Having had the pleasure of beating them on several occasions. Henry will therefore be a valuable addition to this year's Varsity squad, seeking to add yet another win over the dark blues to his trophy cabinet. Henry's attendances at social events this year have been disappointingly few and far between, something about having to teach children the next day. Slurred speech might have actually helped him, since it is rumoured his class have immense trouble understanding his accent. Having told us how he often struggles to keep his cool in l essons, Rudders regularly vents his anger on the pitch, and Oxf*rd certainly shouldn't expect a calm Henry Rudd come Varsity day. His strength and determination have been instrumental to CUHC this season, so don't be surprised to see him on the scoresheet on 12th March.



Name **James Larman**D.O.B. 22/11/1995

School Trinity School Year 3rd

Subject Geography
College Emmanuel

Honours Wanderers 2015, 2016, 2017

(Sh)Lid: James takes pride in his lid and part of his pregame routine is to ensure every strand of hair is correctly positioned. Unfortunately this is all in vain and the term shlid springs instantly to mind.

(Sh)Rig: There has never been an actual sighting of James' rig. Rumour has it that it's currently in hibernation beneath a layer of blubber.

(Sh)Chat: James strongly holds the philosophy that 'if you throw enough **** some of it will stick'.

(Sh)Chopping: Of course we're talking about ability to chop a pint. Like Larman's rig, this phenomenon has never been witnessed by a living being. Unconfirmed reports of a time he chundered after consuming a single pint.



Name Charlie Bannister Coach

Once again the Blues have learned a lot from their England Hockey Level 4 qualified coach, Charlie Bannister. With an air of calm authority (most of the time) Charlie has helpfully instilled the belief among the team that, in the face of bewildering complexity we have the ability to "make it work". Of course the phrase is most commonly associated with the description of bafflingly intricate training drills which make the works of Shakespeare look like a dolloped bowl of alphabet soup. After a brief description which confirms we need to pass the ball to the right more, the coach's enduring faith in the team's collective power of intuition and deduction is put to the test: "does that make sense. I think it does... you'll make it work". Following a few moments of stunned silence the gathered mass of players dissipates, usually slowly, scattering in different directions as a few concerned looks are exchanged. Thankfully though, the confusion is always relenting and within moments Charlie's master plan for the drill takes shape. Over the course of the season Charlie's cleverly designed drills which target not only hockey but problem-solving skills have undoubtedly benefitted each individual player and the team as a whole. On Varsity day we have no doubt that Bannister's side will approach the game knowing that we'll "make it work".





Supporting Hatty Darling in the Varsity Hockey Match

Co-educational Boarding and Day (for pupils aged 13–18) • www.malverncollege.org.uk

CAMBRIDGE WOMEN'S BLUES REPORT

Having been promoted into the top BUCS league of Women's Hockey (Prem A south), the Women's Blues were looking forward to a step-up in quality of hockey and to maintain last year's success in East Prem (Saturday league). We had a strong start to the season, winning 4 out of 5 games, including an impressive win away to Oxford in our first game. Despite a big turnover of players, we continued to go from strength to strength, maintaining our mid-table positions convincingly in both leagues.

In the new year, we welcomed our new coach Craig Larner, who brought a real turn of results seeing us rise up to third in our Saturday League, credit to our 6-goals, 6-points wonder weekend. Our aim this year is to finish top three in East Prem and BUCS respectively.

We are hoping that our hard-work and fighting mentality will pay off as we build towards the pinnacle of our season: the 117th Varsity Match.

Faye Kidd

Women's Blues Captain 2016/17



Back row (Left to Right): Sophia Padt, Hannah Brown, Hatty Darling, Harriet Moore, Clare Marsh, Hattie Bevan, Freddie Briscoe, Craig Larner.

Front Row: Georgie Burrows, Molly Buxton, Sally Bradley, Faye Kidd, Lucia Corry, Olivia Shears, Cat Cox.

NOMADS (2ND TEAM) SEASON REPORT

Last years success saw the Nomads promoted into East Women's League 1N (Saturday League), and with a big turnover of players we got off to a slow start. However we've gone from strength to strength playing a high standard of hockey, and securing wins and draws against teams at the top of the table. On Wednesday we continue to perform solidly in our BUCS league, looking to gain promotion at the end of the season.

The 2016/2017 season has by no means been an easy ride for the Nomads, but our improvement has been staggering and this is sure to be made evident against Oxford on the 26th.

Alice Pavey Nomads Captain 2016/17

BEDOUINS (3RD TEAM) SEASON REPORT

The Bedouin saw a lot of fresh faces join their ranks in October and it has taken a while for the team to find its feet and gel together. This season has been rocky so far for the Beds. Having smashed their way to promotion in 2016, they have found themselves in much choppier waters this year. A tougher league has meant tougher opposition. Despite good play and reassurances from opponents that the Beds were much stronger than their position in the table would suggest, the Beds have struggled to post positive results.

Venerable traditions like MoM bake have kept spirits high through the tough times. However Shears, Mayesy and Hatty, our formidable coaching trio, have pulled the group together to form a slick and effective unit. The Beds have recently broken through a barrier, and have discovered their winning form. Having lulled the Other Place into a false sense of security, the Beds are out to put their new-found form on display and smash Oxford come Varsity day, both on the hockey pitch and in the club. The Mavericks better watch out for this bunch of sassy players because the Bedouin are not to be underestimated.

Rosie Vince Captain 2016/17

CUHC WOMEN'S RESULTS

East Prem A

| 17/09/16 | Norwich City 1 | 3-1 W |
|----------|-------------------|-------|
| 24/09/16 | Old Loughts 1 | 2-0 W |
| 01/10/16 | Wapping 1 | 2-3 L |
| 08/10/16 | Maidstone 1 | 1-0 W |
| 15/10/16 | St Albans 2 | 2-0 W |
| 22/10/16 | Norwich Dragons 1 | 1-1 D |
| 29/10/16 | Bedford 1 | 1-2 L |
| 05/11/16 | Holcombe 1A | 8-0 W |
| 12/11/16 | Ipswich 1 | 0-2 L |
| 19/11/16 | Wisbech Town 1 | 2-1 W |
| 26/11/16 | Brom & Becks 1 | 1-1 D |
| 03/12/16 | Norwich CIty 1 | 5-1 W |
| 14/01/17 | Old Loughts 1 | 2-0 W |
| 21/01/17 | Wapping 1 | 3-2 W |
| 28/01/17 | Maidstone 1 | 0-3 L |
| 04/02/17 | St Albans 2 | 1-1 D |
| 11/02/17 | Norwich Dragons 1 | 3-2 W |
| 25/02/17 | Bedford 1 | 1-1 D |
| | | |

BUCS Prem A South

| Oxford Uni 1 | 2-1 W |
|---------------|--|
| Bath Uni 1 | 1-3 L |
| Bristol Uni 1 | 1-0 W |
| Exeter Uni 1 | 0-4 L |
| Cardiff Uni 1 | 1-1 D |
| Oxford Uni 1 | 1-1 D |
| Brstol Uni 1 | 4-3 W |
| Exeter Uni 1 | 0-2 L |
| Cardiff Uni 1 | 1-3 L |
| Bath Uni 1 | 0-3 L |
| | Bath Uni 1 Bristol Uni 1 Exeter Uni 1 Cardiff Uni 1 Oxford Uni 1 Brstol Uni 1 Exeter Uni 1 Cardiff Uni 1 |

CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S HOCKEY SQUAD 2017 PEN PORTRAITS



Name D.O.B.

Fave Kidd 26/04/1996 Belfast Royal School Academy

Year 3rd Subject History College Homerton

Honours Ulster U21. Ireland U16.

Previous 2015, 2016

Blues



Captain Kidd: so much to say, but I struggle

long corners are taken from [3]. But, in all honesty, Faye is a lovely person and great captain, and with a squad that is behind her 100%, we will return the varsity trophy to Cambridge soil #GDBO. [1] Corry, L: profile 2017 [2] Elliott, L: alumni weekend 2017 [3] Cardiff match,

diagnosed dyspraxia, which means she often

confuses left and right, be it, sides of the

pitch, or stepping to mark, and where in fact

away, Feb 2017



Name

Harriet Moore D.O.B. 30/11/1995

School Dame Allan's School

Year Subject

Biological Natural Sciences

College Gonville and Caius

Honours JRPC U17, U18, Nomads 2015

Previous 2016 Blues

El Presidente Moore's inaugural address: "Every year, we carry out the transfer of power, and we are grateful to President Bond and First Gentleman Giles for their gracious aid throughout this transition. They have been magnificent. We, the people of CUHC, are now joined in a great effort that will determine the course of the club, and of hockey, for years to come. We must think big and dream even bigger. We will face challenges, we will confront Oxford, but we will come out victorious. The 12th March 2017 will be remembered as the day the Right Shade of Blue became the rulers once again. The men and women of our darker counterpart will be long forgotten. At our foundation lies a total allegiance to CUHC, and through our loyalty to our club, we discover loyalty to each other. When you open your heart to hockey, there is no room for a degree. When CUHC is united, CUHC is totally unstoppable. The beauty of CUHC is that we are very rich - rich in talent, rich in ideas and rich in attack. We will build a great defensive wall. And we will make Oxf*rd pay for that wall. Mark my words. Oxf*rd, there should be fear. Now arrives the hour of action. Together, we will make CUHC strong again. We will make CUHC proud again. And yes, together we will make CUHC great again." (APPLAUSE)



Name Sally Bradley D.O.B. 04/11/1994 School Parmiter's School

4th Year Subject Engineering College Trinity

Honours East U15-U17, Nomads 2014

Previous 2014, 2015, Blue 2016

Sally Maria Bradley, 22 #funfourthyear 10 metres away Active 20+1 minutes ago About Sally

As a #funfourthyear its my job to make sure my last year at CUHC is HUU-UGE. I started with a strong preseason performance in Edinburgh scoring a quadruple, only to be foiled by the fresher hunnies steeling my new crop of PGCEs. Michelmas term was eventful and I've had to start hiding from some of the more fresh bois in the club as 'I can't repeat offend with the young ones because they'll fall in love with me'. That's why you'll often find me in my shades even in the rain. its ruined my chances of getting the best team in CUHC #xmasdinner. Why won't they realise I'm "Undateable" (Larner 2017)?

Between hockey and #CloobTime I like to keep everyone organised so as 'CUHC Women's Club Captain 16/17 and Osprey's Publicity Officer 16/17' I do some serious shadmin. This sadly leaves little time for meeting guys but over the Christmas hols I had a great idea to take four of my bois ice-skating at once #genius

i bloody love the hockey gals and Varsity day is going to be HUUUGE #hockeyyyy if you want to grab a glass of vino come find me I'll be on the d-floor following the light blue win today #topscorer xo Interests

#SOTW Bootayy calls Bois Car mechanics Grammer



Name **Emily Thorpe** D.O.B. 04/07/1994 School Ampleforth

College 4th Year

Subject Veterinary Medicines

College Murray Edwards Honours JRPC U16-U18

Previous 2014, 2015, Blues 2016

Emily is our very own vet - a veteran of CUHC, now in her fourth year playing for the Womens Blues, and a real-life vet. Unfortunately, Em seems to be the injury magnet of the team but, unlike her favourite avian animal, she's no chicken and despite various broken bones she continues to cause chaos on the pitch for the opposition. She also has quite a fondness for shepherding. By day she guides wandering farmyard animals down at the vet school and by night guides wandering boys down at Wilberforce road, including her very own stallion.

As you can imagine, fields are one of her specialities, both those full of sheep and those full of hockey players. Luckily for us, on the 12th of March she has opted for the hockev-type field and has ditched her overalls in favour of the light blue kit. She's sure to make a big impact and a repeat of her previous Varsity goal is definitely on the cards. Just like her many runs-ins with balls, people and other objects, come Varsity Oxford won't know what's hit them until it's too late.



Sophia Padt Name D.O.B. 23/02/1997

> Latymer Upper School

Year 2nd

School

Subject Geography College St Catharine's

Honours IRPC Tier 2 U18 Previous 2016

Blues

For all your courier needs, Postman Padt is the one for you -

Guaranteed delivery of:

Chat, Elementary Dutch lessons ("neuken in de keuken"), Family love - she's a daddy's girl, Club acrobatics, Spice upgrades from low- to high-key, Top quality stats from the Padtistician herself, O*ford's tears

All of the above delivered in the utmost style (of a burglar)

The following cannot be provided:

Backies, following The Great Backie Ban of 2017

Sauce (sorry Jervis, we'll let you know if your services are required again #homemaker)

Accurate memories of a night spent in Kuda or Ballare

The location of her bike following a night spent in one of the above establishments

Sympathy for O*ford

Seriously though, Soph is one objectively fun gal with some great hockey skills, and come her second V-day we can be sure she will deliver the goods needed to defeat the dark side and show them the light (blue).



D.O.B. 09/12/1996 School Forest School Year

Human, Social Subject and Political Sciences

College Magdalene Honours JRPC Tier 2 U18

Previous 2016 Blues



the lead of the true captain[1]. Her skill set is far less difficult to uncover. Her deadly combination of genuinely incredible dribbling and powerful winding shots have had many a left defender/midfielder/forward reeling, as she easily ch-Arges past the lot. However, her lethal arsenal of talent is not just contained to the pitch. Off the field Luce has an uncanny ability for secret sauce[2], although when threatened with the ultimatum of desert dod, she went to great lengths to avoid this [3]. And whilst her shady ways have kept her on the right side of the law, she has been known to dabble with some flashing sirens. With strong chat and the iconic edgy trousers a giveaway, Luce is often found sneaking through the shady corners of life. It is this, that brings us to the scene of CUHC's top mystery of 2017, and has triggered this investigation. Yet the question remains, just who is the mystery man in the odd numbered shirt? Detailed forensic and visual analysis has

FAO CUHC eyes only. Top secret Date:18.42 15.02.17

Progress and observation report Lucia Corry progressed into 2nd year, still

Location: Coach somewhere outside Cardiff

assuming the alter-ego 'captain'. Such is her

determination to maintain this façade, that

she suspiciously developed 'shingles' following

vet to vield suitable conclusions. But one thing that won't be a mystery to oxf*d - this girl will be deadly come v-day, and it's nothing short of an honour to play alongside her - so watch out oxf*rd she's coming for you. [1] see 'Faye kidd' varsity profile 2015 [2] CUHC Christmas dinner 2015 [3] see Kylie Jenner cosmetics



Hannah Brown Name D.O.B. 17/07/1995

School South Wilts Grammar School for Girls

Year 4th

Subject Natural Sciences

(MPhil)

College Murray Edwards Honours Nomads 2016

There have been many great tribal chiefs throughout the centuries. You have probably heard of many of the more famous historical chiefs: Crazv Horse for demonstrating his heroic skill and bravery during battle in Lakonta, Obwandiyag, for his leadership in Pontiac's war, Will Chisholm, for his determination to travel, hungover, from afar to watch Hannah Brown play hockey. What you may not know is that behind all great chiefs there is a wise, and determined woman. Though these women have much more forgettable names, they have earned, among their tribes, the same degree of respect and admiration as the chief himself. Hannah Brown is one such great woman. In her career, using her nifty skills and rapid pace, she has risen from Bedouin, to the nomadic peoples and at last to the Cambridge Blues. She has acted as a protectorate for the women of each of her tribes, ensuring everyone has their jacket fully zipped so 'the boys can't get in', and is always willing to leave her own projects (and family) behind to do her play away matches for the tribe. As a result, Hannah Brown will go down in CUHC history as 'Hannah Brown', because to refer to her in any other way is unspeakable.



Molly Buxton Name 07/11/1995 D.O.B.

King Edward's School, Bath

Year 3rd Subject Philosophy College St Catharine's

Honours Nomads 2015, 2016

For just one day in March, and so a day not to miss, Molly will be swapping her usual pink-ness for light blue-ness and late-ness for ontime-ness, as she steps out in the defensive line for the Blues. A surprise it may be, but 3 years down the line Mol has decided to make some changes, as she's finally beginning to realise that light blue is indeed superior to pink (and far superior to dark blue). Changes range from swapping those tight lycra shorts to a new pair of leggings for every training session, to switching from frequent trips to the University Library (note mUL) for more cultured trips to Madrid.

A hockey (no longer a netball) player by day, philosopher by training but undercover Natsci in reality, Molly is a force to be reckoned with in the defence that will be sure to put up a fight on Varsity.



Name Clare Marsh
D.O.B. 03/05/1997
School Cranleigh School
Year 1st
Subject Geography

College Churchill

Clare Marsh, CUHC's new sassy fresher earned her title from Day 1 of pre season when she told the Blues captain her drill would be better if the defence positioned themselves in the circle. However as well as Clare's sass, her versatility and knowledge in defence and midfield were noticeable from the start. After playing her first blues game, Clare said she would describe herself as a "pretty solid player", match through match, this self proclaimed statement has proven very true. Confident, clare then took it upon herself to take the Club Captain's seat during the first day of the Newcastle pre season tour at President Moore's house. Clare later explained the reason for this. The last will be first and the first will be first" Matthew 20:6. As we soon found out, as well as being sassy, Clare has great bible chat. Sassy fresh likes to think of herself as a bit of a #legend. She plays the important role of Blues Ball Secretary and along with this her favourite past time is listening to post match chill playlists and driving with fellow legend Cat Cox. Today, Clare is following in the footsteps of her mum who was part of the winning blues squad in 1980. Let's hope clare can use her light blue genes and sassy skills to make sure that the first will be first and the last will be last today.



Name Hatty Darling
D.O.B. 05/06/1996
School Malvern College
2nd
Subject Biological
Natural Sciences

College Christ's Honours JRPC Tiers 2 U15-U18

Previous 2016 Blues DEFENDER Darling is the scoring half of the mighty "could be midfielder" 1 defensive duo. Now an experienced and sensible second year, Hatty has no time for hockey boys. She often finds that they lack pace - "Sides you are sooo slow" - and none of them have provided quite the right answer for her distinctive call. Luckily Hatty has found an appropriately named nonhockey boy (Mark #3) for a boyfriend of a Women's hockey Blue.2 Although now sensible, Hatty is not boring and is easily tempted to the club where you will find her practising her roly-polys. Unfortunately this has been known to have implications for her stick skills the next day. But be afraid Oxf*rd. Come Varsity day Hatty will have all the skills, speed and killer balls necessary to take down the dark blues and reclaim the trophy.

1 Craig Larner, 2017

2 See Al Maskell (2014) and Harriet Moore (2016).



Name Georgie Burrows
D.O.B. 12/06/1996
School Canford School
Year 2nd
Subject Biological
Natural Sciences

College St. Catharine's Honours Nomads 2016

Georgina 'Attenborough' Burrows, President of Cambridge's Ecology Society, part-time vegetarian, part-time vegan. You only need to cycle with her once to Wilby to witness this nature enthusiast's real passion for plants in all their variety. One has often heard her cry on route: "Did you see that Pruneus akyolineus (1)? Check out that Botterealis (2)? The Jervidensis (3) has really blossomed hasn't it?" Georgie Burrows certainly knows her plants in great detail. GBuzz being a hub of general knowledge, has also performed admirably in CUHC quizzes, crosswords and Friday night geo-guessers. We look forward to your debut on University Challenge 2018. As well as a strong commitment to plant welfare, GBuzz has also demonstrated her commitment to the Blues squad when she ditched her beau in January with the break-up line: "it's not you, it's not me, it's the team". Since then, all her focus and drive has been channelled into playing the game. It has had remarkable effects on her ball handling skills with increased D entries often finishing off with goals. Oxford, beware, this budding environmentalist won't be conserving any energy today - a fiery forward player, she has a firm grip on the stick and a love for scoring (goals)!

(1) A native shrub originally from the Scottish Highlands, found in shady areas and blossoms at night

(2) A plant with an outstanding orange-red fall colour, a unique specimen attractive to many birds

(3) A hardy plant found in the moist soils around Girton, often used for medicinal purposes and to make a house a home



Name Freddie Briscoe
D.O.B. 03/09/1996
School Norwich School
Year 2nd
Subject Engineering
College Corpus Christi
Honours JRPC U15-U18
Previous 2016
Blues

Now that she's a returning blue, goalkeeper extraordinaire Freddie has been taking her nutrition very seriously, with biscuits the indispensable food choice for post-match/post-cloob rejuvenation. She just card keep her hands, her, uh, her hands out the Cookie Jar.

A History of Biscuits 'n' Chill: The Old French word bescuit is derived from the Latin words bis (twice) and coquere, coctus (to cook, cooked), and, hence, means "twice-cooked", each bake occurring on Wednesdays and Sundays at around Gas Mark 3-4am.

The earliest biscuit recorded is the Rich TEthan, developed as a light snack between the full-course meals of Curry King and Tatties. Recently imported from France, the Ma(yes)caron has been another regular on the biscuit scene and despite differences in terminology, the all-American 'cookie' is still welcomed. The most common in this saga is the gingerbread man, an alternative choice, though never at the bottomley of the list. The first gingerbread men were produced for the amusement of Queen Elizabeth I, hence a customary choice for fiery-haired bachelorettes.A balanced diet in mind, Fred has sampled a wide range of biscuits, though the Nice kind always feature and she never allows Hobnobs through her door. * Being the biscuit connoisseur that she is, Fred is aware that hard biscuits soften as they age ** (accelerated by dunking/absorption of liquid notably VKs) and thus even the toughest of cookies have succumbed to the ol' dmc. So, if you're ever at a loose *** end, be sure to hit this gal up! *Garibaldis are also forbidden.

** Freshers are not a target.

*** Not to be confused with 'Luce' - accidental propositions, while hilarious, are to be avoided.



Name

 $D \cap B$ 19/12/1994 Perse School for School

Girls 4th Year

Subject Geography College Fitzwilliam

Honours Nomads 2014. 2015, 2016

Shears - or Olivia, as she prefers to be known by Craig - is something of a BNICUHC (big name in CUHC). She has, after all, kissed "all the boys worth kissing". Despite this, she still likes to call upon her Mum for help and advice in the task of finding a varsity ball date - look out for the eagerly awaited volume, "Liz's top tips for bagging boys", which will be hitting bookshops later this year. Any profile about this CUHC veteran would not be complete without a mention of her unique sense of style, which can be best summarised as '90s PE teacher chic'. Think oversized green zip-up fleeces, think off-grey trackie-bottoms with elasticated Cat Cox Name cuffs, think cotton t-shirts which claim to "inspire the youth of the world through D.O.B. 2/11/1993 sport". Rousing stuff. A brief foray into the world of wavey garms, (in the form of

School King William's

College Year 6th

Subject Medicine

College St. Catharine's Honours Nomads 2012.

2013. 2014. 2016

Previous 2015 Blues

Cat is the only senior international player in the Blues squad this year; not only does she regularly feature in the national squad, she also 'makes a significant difference to the team when she plays' (Cox, 2017). Her experience in the Isle of Man side, combined with many years of hockey at Cambridge, will surely aid her efforts as she returns to the Blues to take on Oxford for the ninth, and final time, in her CUHC career. Experienced not only on the field, Cat, a sixthyear medic, has little time for the excuses from freshers not wanting to play away games - they can do their work in the car! but plenty of time for poor quality fines, especially for birthdays in July.

Cat, you are truly a CUHC legend; your commitment is incredible, your car journeys are always a pleasure, your hockey skills are limited only by your confidence, and that has grown abundantly this year, and we know you will finish your Cambridge hockey career with a flourish.



Alexandra Name Maskell Manager/ Assistant Coach

Dr. A, Maskell. pHd cantab.

a much maligned orange coat), proved

unsuccessful. Yet there is more to Shears

than mere sartorial elegance: she also

prides herself on both the quality of her

chat and the creativity of her dance moves.

Indeed, even a broken collarbone wasn't

enough to prevent Shears from hitting the

D-floor - her one-armed crab dance move

was innovative to say the least. When

Shears isn't busy coaching the Beds, read-

ing facebook chats/emails from three years

ago, or attempting to satisfy her insatiable

appetite for CUHC-related admin, she

sometimes plays hockey. A stalwart of

many a Nomads team, she has made the

step up to Blues effortlessly, and will be

ready to tear the other place to shreds with her tireless leads and play-making moves.

As if manager (big) Al could be any more awesome than she already is, she decides to go and smash a pHd from Cambridge. After playing in close to a million varsity matches, Al has finally hung up her astros and stepped up to the role of assistant coach and manager for the Women's Blues. Her Australian flair has really helped to improve our attacking prowess - particular mention must go to our Australian-influenced baseline runs. Sik.

Big Al has been there for us as individuals and as a squad all season, providing excellent chat, both on and off the pitch. When we were down and coach-less, Al stepped up and ran our sessions for which we be forever grateful for. Big Al, you're awesome, and we're so glad to have you on the sideline alongside us come VDay #GDBO.



Hattie Bevan Name D.O.B. 27/10/1996 Cheltenham

School College Year 1st

Subject Biological Natural Sciences

College Gonville & Caius

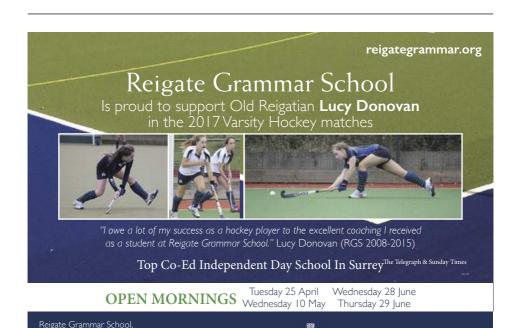
Bevan arrived in Cambridge, seemingly fresh-faced and meek. But things moved on quickly - a boyfriend in the first week! In fact, I think she's had three fresher boyfriends, or maybe it's four? It's hard to keep up - it's possibly even more. She's spent a year backpacking, and is gap-year cool. But velvet leggings to an away match? They won't protect you from the ball! On and off the pitch, she's got pretty good game. It turns out she likes a beverage; living up to her name. By day, she's in the library, studying biology for her bachelor of arts. Come night, you'll find her in Ballare, breaking CUHC hearts. She's also quite good at hockey, her skills are dreamlike. Although she doesn't often use them - prefers a reverse-stick strike. All that said, we agree with the boys - she's quite a catch! Fortunately, we doubt Oxford will get near her in the Varsity Match.



Name Craig Larner
Coach

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Craig Larner joined the Blue's in January with a desire to relive his dissertation days by building a 'motivational climate' in CUHC. Indeed Craig (aka 'TC') likes to bring out the best in us by pushing us to our max. In fact at one Saturday fitness session a few of the team recall being exceptionally close to a TC themselves. Along with the motivational climate Craig brings, here are some other reasons why Craig Larner is TC (The Coach) of our dreams: 1. He sometimes hits the cross bar (1:10 ratio) 2. The umpires love him? 3. "Is there anyone in the team you haven't offended?" (G Buz 2017) - he is a nibbler Highlight of the season: Double header 6 pointer March 2017. #TURNEDUP We hope we can do Craig proud and turn up against Oxford today (we also hope to get him some CL stash for the big occasion). Thank you Craig for being a top class coach, friend and all round legend. We are very grateful for all Craig has done and continues to do for the Light Blues.





Reed's School is proud to support the Varsity Hockey. We wish all the players today the best of luck, but especially to Old Reedonian, Naomi Kelly, Oxford Women's Captain.



REED'S SCHOOL

The History of Reed's School

Reed's is a successful independent day and boarding school set in 40 acres of grounds based in Cobham, Surrey and provides an education for 700 pupils between 11 and 18, with girls entering in the Sixth Form.

The Reed's Foundation was established in 1813 by the Rev Dr Andrew Reed with financial support from the City of London and other dignitaries. Its raison d'être was to care and provide an education for destitute children, boys and girls, who had lost both parents, or their father with the mother unable to provide for them. The charitable Foundation remains an integral part of our ethos today and still supports around 10-15% of the pupils to enable them to attend the school. It instils in our pupils – past and present – many important values including respect, integrity, kindness and compassion.

Our ethos of celebrating our pupils' successes and inspiring them to unlock their true potential is founded on outstanding pastoral care, excellent teaching and a philosophy of providing a breadth of opportunities for all our pupils. Reed's School's objective is to provide a broad based curriculum encouraging academic, cultural and sporting excellence.

Sport at Reed's

Sport at Reed's is exceptional, with all pupils, including our Sixth Form girls, participating in a wide range at the most appropriate level for each individual. Our Academies in Tennis, Skiing and Golf compete and win at National and International levels and our Major Sports of Rugby, Hockey and Cricket are equally as successful in National and County competitions. Pupils are also able to participate in a wide range of additional sports which offer not only high levels of involvement, but also significant success in unusual areas.

The coaching of sport at Reed's is one of its most outstanding attributes. Highly talented and committed former international sportsmen coach our Academies and Major Sports and the support that they receive from a committed and passionate staff provides a model that is the envy of many other schools. Pupils are encouraged to participate at all levels and they can be confident of receiving excellent coaching.

Individuals represent the school with pride in block fixtures at weekends and the elite athletes in our High Performance Programme achieve County and International honours whilst at school or beyond at prestigious universities (both home and abroad) and even as professionals.

Hockey at Reed's

Hockey has always been an integral part of the sporting curriculum at Reed's. Every pupil whether male or female has the opportunity to access two astro-turf pitches on-site and to play in a team with expert guidance and tuition from very experienced coaches. The coaching team offers a wealth of experience for all ages and ability. We benefit from staff with an international hockey pedigree, including two double Olympians (Brett Garrard & Jimmy Wallis), coaches with National League titles & Junior World Cup experience (Olivia Chilton), a current England U16 coach (Ben Edwards) and many committed teachers. Brett Garrard, the Hockey Professional, has 263 England/GB caps and has represented Team GB at two Olympic Games (2000 and in 2004 as captain) and three World Cups.

Girls' Hockey at Reed's

Girls' hockey began at Reed's just under 20 years ago. Girls are accepted into the School in the Sixth Form only, which means that as the number of girls is relatively small it allows the majority of them to be fully integrated team members and representatives of the school on

the sports field. Through the superb team morale and friendship that is built up and encouraged by the coaches, the girls compete successfully against much larger schools.

Initially, girls' hockey at Reed's was strengthened by a strong contingent of Dutch players. At the time Reed's had a Dutch sister school onsite and the Dutch girls were keen to play with the English girls. After some notable successes there was a lull when the Dutch School closed until around eight years ago when there was a dedicated emphasis to first increase participation, and then improve the quality of the hockey.

Reed's regularly now fields four teams, allowing every girl who wishes to participate the opportunity to play. Bronze medal winners in the South of England finals for the last three years, the 1st XI are now renowned as a competitive force. Reaching the semi-finals of the Independent Schools' Cup for the last two years and winning the St George's Sixes Plate for the fourth time last season has reinforced their standing.

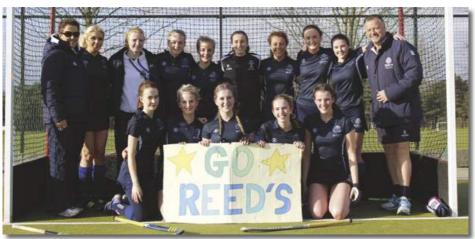
The Surrey and South of England circuits provide a very tough programme across all age groups. The 1st XI faces consistently strong opposition, week in week out, playing some of the best school teams in the country. At 2nd XI, 3rd XI and 4th XI level there are opportunities to compete locally, learn the game and get a sense of belonging from being part of a team.

Over the past eight years a number of students have represented England or Great Britain at various levels: Josie Inverdale, Juliette Inverdale, Olivia Chilton, Ellen Paterson, Naomi Kelly, Sophie Newton, Meg Dowthwaite and current captain Catherine Ledesma. In addition many others have played at Futures Cup, Hipac and Tier one levels.

Our programme is focused around the player as an individual and gives them a mix of focussed strength and conditioning accessing slots with our two full time S&C coaches, individual pitch sessions with hockey professional Brett Garrard, sports medicine support and athlete mentoring. In addition the girls are fully supported through their club careers.

Reed's are very proud of how our achievements to date and look forward to the challenge of today. It will be fantastic to see former student Naomi Kelly captain the Oxford side and hopefully her success is just one of many that reflect back on our programme.

Ben Edwards, Director of Sport



Back row (Left to Right): Mrs Lucy Balls, Lucy Byrne, Catherine Ledesma, Hannah Birchall, Serena Walker, Charley Fryers, Louisa Saunders, Elizabeth Callaghan, Eleanor Graves, Mr Keith Medlycott.

Front Row: Charlotte Savill, Issy Anderson, Alex Lilywhite, Ana Rynhoud Leleu, Kezia Clark.

BELFAST ROYAL ACADEMY

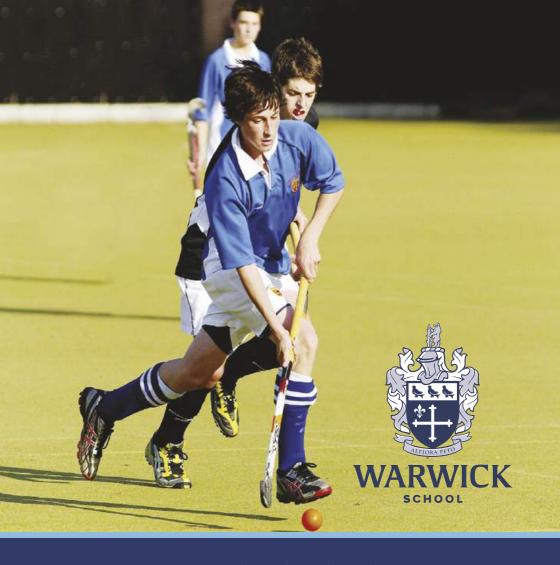
Belfast Royal Academy the oldest school in the city was founded in 1785, formerly known as Belfast Academy, the school's status was confirmed in 1888 when Queen Victoria gave her approval for it to be styled the Belfast Royal Academy. It is now a large, co-educational, non-denominational day grammar school with strong academic, musical and sporting traditions. There are 1400 pupils on roll at the grammar school, with another 200 pupils attending Ben Madigan, the school's Kindergarten and Preparatory Department.

Former pupils include Lord Cairns (Lord Chancellor in the nineteen century), and the colourful Sir Henry Pottinger, who played a major role in forcing the Chinese Empire to cede Hong Kong to Britain until the year 1995, known to the Chinese as 'the barbarian Pottinger', became the first governor of the new colony. In the modern era, the rugby footballers Jack Kyle, a British Lion and regarded as Ireland's finest ever rugby player, Iain Henderson and Stuart Olding, who both play for the current Ireland and Ulster rugby sides. The artist Colin Middleton, the journalist john Cole and the former minister for sport, kate Hoey MP.

Belfast Royal Academy is historically the second most successful girls hockey school in Ulster, with regards to Ulster Senior School's Cup victories, though in recent decades the cup has not been won. Some former pupils have gone on to play for the Senior Ireland hockey team, and in recent years many of the 1st XI Girls have represented Ireland at school's Under16 and 18 level, Faye Kidd the Cambridge Captain being one of them.

The current Belfast Royal Academy girl's hockey 1st XI has one player involved in the Ulster U18 interprovincial squad, two players training with the Irish U16 squad and the Captain Erin Getty, is training with the Senior Irish Ladies squad, Erin hopes to get her first senior cap in the coming months





Warwick School wishes Old Warwickian Thomas Jackson the best of luck in the Varsity Match

Scholarships and bursaries available

Independent boys' school (7-18 years)

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WARWICK SCHOOL

Sport plays a significant role at Warwick School. In addition to the part played in the Curriculum by Physical Education there are numerous opportunities at Warwick School to take part in a range of sports.

The school enjoys an enviable national reputation for sport having won national titles at rugby, water-Polo and clay pigeon shooting to name but a few.

The major games activities in the Michaelmas and Lent terms are rugby, hockey, cross-country and swimming, whilst cricket, athletics and tennis occupy the summer term. In addition the school runs a huge range of sports clubs, outside of lesson time which provide opportunities for all ages and abilities.

Hockey has rich history at the school and the school has participated in National Finals back in the 90's and more recently two appearances at the National Indoor Finals. The younger age groups regularly make regional finals and we have a large number of boys representing Warwickshire from U13 to U16 age levels.

The school has just refurbished its facilities with two new sand-dressed surfaces in Warwick School blue. This investment has also resulted in the school being selected as the South Midlands Performance Centre for England Hockey where we have four boys attending and three of the school hockey staff coaching at the centre.

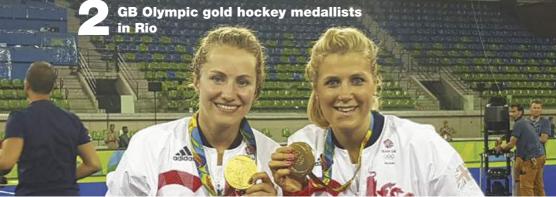
The majority of fixtures are played mid-week and as a result we encourage boys to also play club hockey and have a large proportion of boys playing at a good level across a range of local clubs. As a result many boys continue to play hockey beyond their time at school and this is something of which we are very proud.

Finally we would like to wish Thomas Jackson the best of luck in the match today. The school is very proud of Thomas, as only the tenth player in the history of the Varsity Hockey match to receive a Blue from both Oxford and Cambridge and we are looking forward to seeing his skills on display in this exciting and historic match today.

G. Wade, Director of Hockey







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Hockey is a major sport at Repton for both boys and girls. All pupils, regardless of their experience, receive regular hockey training with one of the teams and are able to participate in school matches. Tuesdays and Saturdays are the main days for fixtures against schools, universities and senior club sides.

The most talented hockey players can also opt for hockey coaching during all three terms. The school has invested heavily in its facilities. Two floodlit water-based Astroturf pitches, a sandbased Astroturf and a Sports Hall for indoor hockey allow training and matches to continue all year round. Such facilities make Repton an attractive training venue for the Great Britain Men's Squad and for several junior international teams.

Repton has an impressive record in the National Hockey Finals, with the girls winning the National Under 18 title a record breaking nine times between 2005 and 2016, and the School currently holds both the Boys' and Girls' U18 National Title. Repton have been crowned National Champions thirty-two times since 1995 - more than any other school. Both Boys' and Girls' teams were victorious in the prestigious Los Reyes tournament in Barcelona, making Repton the first school or club to ever take both titles.

Numerous Old Reptonians have gone on to play Senior International Hockey. Five ORs were selected for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games including GB's gold medallists Georgie Twigg and Shona McCallin, travelling reserves Joie Leigh and Ellie Watton and Charlotte Stapenhorst who scored the first goal in Germany's bronze medal winning match.

2015/16 National Finals

Boys' U18 National Champions • Boys' U18 National Indoor Champions Boys' U16 National Indoor Semi-finalists • Boys' U16 National Champions Boys' U14 National Finalists • Girls' U18 National Champions Girls' U16 National Runners-up • Girls' U16 National Indoor Semi-finalists • Girls' U14 National 3rd Place

2016/17 National Finals

Boys' U18' National Indoor Runners-up • Boys' U16 National Indoor Champions Girls' U18 National Indoor Champions • Girls' U18 National Finalists* Girls' U16 National Indoor Semi-finalists • Girls' U16 National Finalists* *National Finals to be played in March 2017

The current school hockey teams boast seventeen players with international experience and last year eighteen pupils were selected for the HiPAC and Futures Cup regional squads with many also selected to play at the UK School Games.

Sports scholarships are available for pupils showing potential to play at regional or national level. Assessments take place in the January preceding the September intake.

Martin Jones, Director of Hockey mlj@repton.org.uk www.repton.org.uk



Repton Boys' U18 National Champions 2016



Repton Girls' U18 National Champions 2016

PREVIOUS SCHOOL RESULTS

BOYS SCHOOL MATCH

| | ВО | YS SCHOOL MATO | |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--|
| 1973 | Stowe | 4 - 0 | Canford |
| 1974 | Kingston GS | 6 - 0 | Dean Close |
| 1975 | Marlborough | 4 - 1 | The Leys |
| 1976 | Greshams | 9 - 2 | St Lawrence |
| 1977 | Felsted | 2 - 2 | Wellington College |
| 1978 | Whitgift | 0 - 2 | Calday Grange |
| 1979 | Cranleigh | 4 - 0 | Framlingham |
| 1980 | Magdalen CS | 0 - 2 | Bishop's Stortford |
| 1981 | Langley Park | 2 - 1 | Chatham House |
| 1982 | Dulwich | 1 - 1 | St Edwards, Oxon |
| 1983 | Canford | 1 - 1 | Stowe |
| 1984 | Oakham | 1 - 1 | Bedford |
| 1985 | Charterhouse | 0 - 3 | Wellington College |
| 1986 | Cheltenham | 0 - 0 | Dean Close |
| | | 5 - 1 | |
| 1987 | Kingston GS | | Taunton School |
| 1988 | Cranbrook | | RGS High Wycombe |
| 1989 | Whitgift | 2 - 2 | Tonbridge |
| 1990 | Kingston GS | 3 - 1 | Marlborough |
| 1991 | Stowe | 2 - 1 | Cranleigh |
| 1992 | Felsted | 3 - 0 | Radley |
| 1993 | Cheltenham | 1 - 3 | Bradfield |
| 1994 | Wellington College | 3 - 0 | KCS Wimbledon |
| 1995 | Whitgift | 2 - 4 | Greshams |
| 1996 | Charterhouse | 0 - 3 | Canford |
| 1997 | Monkton Combe | 2 - 3 | St Edwards, Oxon |
| 1998 | Dulwich | 5 - 1 | Radcliffe College |
| 1999 | Stowe | 0 - 1 | Framlingham |
| 2000 | Kingston GS | 5 - 1 | Marlborough |
| 2001 | Eastbourne | 1 - 3 | Felsted |
| 2002 | Cranbrook | 2 - 2 | The Leys |
| 2003 | Uppingham | 2 - 2 | Whitgift |
| 2004 | Charterhouse | 4 - 2 | Wellington College |
| 2005 | Gresham's | 11 - 1 | Marlborough College |
| 2006 | Eton College | 4 - 2 | Loretto |
| 2007 | Tonbridge | 2 - 2 | Bishop's Stortford |
| 2008 | Abingdon | 1 - 2 | Cranleigh |
| 2009 | Worksop | 6 - 1 | St Georges' College |
| 2010 | • | 0 - 2 | RGS Guildford |
| | Repton | 0 - 2 | |
| 2011 2012 | Oakham Perse | 3 - 1 | Whitgift Magdalen College |
| 2012 | Churchers | 7 - 0 | Birkdale |
| 2014 | Reeds | 3 - 1 | Kingston GS |
| 2015 | Charterhouse | 2 - 0 | Cheltenham |
| 2016 | Eastbourne | $\frac{2}{2} - 4$ | Norwich |
| GIRLS SCHOOL MATCH | | | |
| 2008 | St Edwards, Oxon | 2 - 1 | Cheltenham Ladies |
| 2009 | Bablake | 1 - 3 | King's Warwick |
| 2009 | Greshams | 0 - 1 | Clifton |
| | | | |
| 2011 | Oakham | | Epsom |
| 2012 | Marlborough | 2 - 2 | Rugby |
| 2012 | | 0 5 | Oundle |
| 2013 | Churchers | 0 - 5 | Oundle Chardle Hulma |
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