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Editorial note
This year’s edition of the Annual Record sees some changes, as we continue to heed and act on the views expressed in the alumni survey 2017, review how best this publication can record what goes on at Balliol during the academic year, and endeavour to use resources wisely.

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The cut-off date for information in the Annual Record is 31 July. The lists of examination results (which exclude students who have chosen not have their results published), graduate degrees, prizes, and scholarships and exhibitions may include awards and results made since that date in the previous academic year, as indicated. We are happy to record in future editions any such awards and results received after that date, if requested.

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The Master’s Letter

Dame Helen Ghosh

I know that the wise advice to gardeners, when they acquire a new plot, is that they should wait and watch for a year, to see what comes up through the seasons. As my study looks out on our bosky Garden Quad, it seems an apt analogy for my first year here.

I’ve now seen as Master the full annual cycle of life at Balliol, from welcoming Freshers to celebrating their success as they graduate. I’ve had a hand in appointing new Fellows, and said farewell to others – among them Robert Field, retiring after 18 years as a Tutorial Fellow in Engineering. And I’ve met Old Members around the world and at our many alumni events here in College. Of course, though, reading through the various lively and fascinating reports in this Record, I realise that I’ve missed much that’s going on. I was particularly pleased to read of the launch of the BME Society, for students from ethnic minority backgrounds, and of our new eminence in water polo!

As the academic year began, I found meeting our Freshers very moving. So much potential, so much talent, and so many opportunities they could grasp while here with us. Thinking back to my own arrival at Oxford many decades ago, I urged the undergraduates on their first day here to ignore ‘imposter syndrome’. We had chosen them all, whatever their background and previous educational experience, because we believe in them and their potential. I remember how hard it is to believe in yourself, when you find you are surrounded by so many clever and gifted people. Six weeks on, and I met each of the Freshers at the Master’s Interviews. When I asked, ‘What has surprised you most?’ the almost universal answer was ‘That people are so normal’ – in other words that they hadn’t encountered the out-of-touch, privileged elite that the media portrays.

Meeting our graduate Freshers was a treat too, though they are rather harder to encounter collectively. One opportunity is at the Graduate Freshers’ Dinner, at which I reminded them of Balliol’s tradition as an international, outward-looking College. If you look down the list of graduates we welcomed this year, you will see that we are as just as international as always. Life at Holywell Manor is as lively as ever too and I was able to meet more of them there at the Praefectus’ and Dervorguilla Seminars and at the subject lunches for graduate students and their College Advisers, which have been a very successful innovation these past two years.
December in Oxford means one thing: undergraduate admissions. That too I found very moving to watch, as so many talented and hopeful young people arrived more or less nervously, to try to achieve their ambition. Our JCR gave them a warm welcome, and I hope a good memory of Balliol to take away, whatever the outcome. It was a cause of great celebration that, for the first time in our history, we made the majority of undergraduate offers to women, which means that 52% of Freshers arriving in Michaelmas Term 2019 will be women.

In Hilary Term, we celebrated the rare event of a Balliol Fellow being admitted as one of the University Proctors. We have plenty of experience of this, historically, since our first recorded Balliol Proctor was Robert de Derby in 1360, and we have supplied one about every 12 years since then. Fellows of the College formed an impressive (and reasonably orderly) procession down Broad Street to the Sheldonian to see Professor Sophie Marnette (Dervorguilla Fellow and Tutor in French) sworn in as Junior Proctor.

The Master (front row, fourth from left) with Professor Sophie Marnette (on her right) and Fellows, following Professor Marnette’s election as Junior Proctor. Photograph by Stuart Bebb.
In Trinity, we had another red-letter day when students moved into the first block to be completed of the new buildings at the Master’s Field. These were graduate students who had to be ‘decanted’ from the Martin and Dellal buildings due for demolition in the next phase. When all the buildings are complete, we will be able to offer our undergraduates accommodation for all of their time with us, and some 70 more rooms (around 44% of the total available now) to our graduate students. With rents so high in the city, this will help us both to continue to attract the most talented students and to support them while they are here.

Trinity is of course examination season. Balliol undergraduates secured the top Firsts in several subjects, including Classics and Computer Science & Philosophy, and we maintained our place in the top ten of the Norrington Table, coming ninth again this year. We rounded off the term with a party at which I and Fellows thanked all our staff for their hard work and commitment through the year, without which the College would not be the welcoming, supportive and successful place that it is.

Finally, to turn my own question to the Freshers around: what has surprised me? I knew when I arrived something of the stress that modern life puts on our students, from social media, peer group pressure and the many uncertainties of the world into which they will move next. But I have been bowled over by the energy and optimism that they have, and I rejoice that they find the time to grapple with the big issues of the day, be they climate change or social equality.

And of course, I could never have imagined that by the end of the year, an alumnus would have just become Balliol’s fourth Prime Minister!
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Dr Miriam Backens
Career Development Fellow in Computer Science

‘My research interests are in algorithms and computational complexity, as well as quantum computation and quantum information theory. Within algorithms and computational complexity, I am particularly interested in the complexity of counting problems in the holant and counting CSP frameworks. Within quantum computation, my main focus is on properties and applications of graphical languages arising from categorical quantum mechanics, in particular the ZX-calculus,’ writes Miriam.

At undergraduate level Miriam studied Physics at Murray Edwards College, Cambridge, followed by Part III Mathematics. Following a DPhil in quantum computing at the Department of Computer Science in Oxford, Miriam spent two years at the University of Bristol’s School of Mathematics, before returning to Oxford in 2017 in the Theory and Algorithms group.

Professor Bruce Chapman
Oliver Smithies Lecturer and Visiting Fellow (Law)

Bruce Chapman is a Professor of Law at the University of Toronto and a former editor of the University of Toronto Law Journal. He holds a law degree from the University of Toronto, and a doctorate in economics from Cambridge University. Prior to attending law school Bruce served as Assistant Professor in the Department of Philosophy at the University of Western Ontario and as Associate for Law and Philosophy at the Westminster Institute for Ethics and Human Values. In 1991–1992 he was appointed a John M. Olin Faculty Fellow at the Yale Law School; since
then he has held visiting appointments at the University of Virginia School of Law (1995), Oxford University (1995 and 2008), the Australian National University (1996), the University of Torcuato di Tella in Buenos Aires (2000 and 2001), the University of Louvain in Belgium (2001), and the National University of Singapore (2007). In 2013 he was a Visiting Fellow at All Souls College, Oxford.

His principal teaching and scholarly interests are in tort law, legal theory, decision theory and rational choice, law and economics, and corporate law; he has published widely in each of these areas. In 1996 and 2001, he was awarded Connaught Research Grants from the University of Toronto to conduct research into theories of rational decision-making.

Dr Rehan Deen
Henry Skynner Research Fellow in Astrophysics

Rehan Deen is primarily interested in High Energy Theory, High Energy Phenomenology, Cosmology, and Heterotic model building. Prior to joining Balliol, he taught at the University of Pennsylvania for three years, while completing a PhD there on ‘Aspects of Phenomenology and Cosmology in Heterotic Mtheory’. He says: ‘My research to date has been concerned with the phenomenology of heterotic M-theory, the strong-coupling limit of the E8xE8 heterotic string. I am interested in further pursuing the implications of this work to produce a globally consistent description of the universe in the context of smooth heterotic compactifications. I am also keen to explore effective supersymmetric models of cosmology.’

Rehan completed his MPhys at Mansfield College, Oxford, focusing his fourth-year project on ‘Double Beta Decay at SNO+’. His publications include ‘N = 1 Supergravitational Heterotic Galileons’, and ‘Supergravitational Conformal Galileons’, in the Journal of High Energy Physics. He is a member of the American Physical Society (APS) and he has also spoken at various universities in the US, including Princeton and Virginia Tech.
Dr Nuno Faria  
Research Fellow in the Sciences  

Nuno Faria is Sir Henry Dale Research Fellow at Oxford’s Department of Zoology, where he is researching the evolution and ecology of infectious diseases, in particular virus evolution, outbreak surveillance and genomic epidemiology. His research focuses on investigating the patterns of gene flow in pathogen populations. He is particularly interested in phylogenetic methods of sequence analysis that combine genetic, spatial and ecological information. Specific questions involve uncovering the spatiotemporal dynamics of human and animal pathogens; identifying factors underlying pathogen spread and dynamics at different scales (e.g. geographic regions, body compartments); and investigating the drivers of cross-species transmission and host shifts.

Professor Jason Lotay  
Professor of Pure Mathematics and Tutorial Fellow in Mathematics  

Jason Lotay came to Balliol from University College London, where he was Professor of Mathematics and before that Reader in Mathematics (2014–2018) and Lecturer in Pure Mathematics (2011–2014). He was an EPSRC Career Acceleration Fellow 2009–2014 and, before joining UCL, a member of the Geometry group at Imperial College London. Jason began his career at Oxford, taking an MMath at St Edmund Hall and studying for his DPhil at New College 2002–2005 before moving to Christ Church upon the award of a Senior Scholarship. He was a Junior Research Fellow at University College 2005–2007 and 2008–2009, spending the year 2007–2008 at the Mathematical Sciences Research Institute, Berkeley.
Jason works on differential geometry and geometric analysis, particularly geometry related with special holonomy and calibrated submanifolds, geometric flows including Lagrangian mean curvature flow and the $G_2$-Laplacian flow, as well as instantons.

**Elizabeth Kiss (1983)**

**Professorial Fellow and Warden of Rhodes House**

Before taking up the Wardenship, Elizabeth Kiss served for 12 years as president of Agnes Scott College, Georgia. During her tenure, Agnes Scott broke records for enrolment and retention and was named the second ‘Most Diversified College in America’ by Time and the country’s most successful liberal arts college for graduating low-income students by the US Department of Education. The Chronicle of Higher Education named Elizabeth on its 2017 list of the most influential people in US higher education.

From 1997 to 2006 Elizabeth served as the founding director of Duke University’s Kenan Institute for Ethics, building a university-wide interdisciplinary centre focused on promoting moral reflection and commitment in personal, professional, organisational and civic life. She has had a longstanding career in academia; she has taught at Randolph-Macon College (Virginia), Deep Springs College (California) and at Princeton University for eight years. Her academic focus has been on moral and political philosophy and she has published on moral education, human rights, ethnic conflict and nationalism, feminist theory, and transitional justice.

Elizabeth received her BA in philosophy from Davidson College in North Carolina, a BPhil (at Balliol) and DPhil in philosophy from the University of Oxford. She has held many leadership roles in organisations including the Climate Leadership Network, the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, and the Women’s College Coalition.
Dr Aleksandra Restifo
Asoke Kumar Sarkar Research Fellow in Classical Indology

In her core subject area of South Asian religions and literature, Aleksandra’s research lies at the intersection of literature, aesthetic practices, and Jain mendicant culture. She has a particular interest in medieval and early modern debates among Jain monks and lay people about the efficacy and nature of ritual, appropriate means for liberation, and the ways in which aesthetic pleasure is produced, organised, and controlled.

Her recent work includes ‘Demystifying Kashmiri Rasa Ideology: Rāmacandra-Gunacandra’s Theory of Aesthetics in their Nātyadarpana’ and ‘Devotion of a Jain Minister: Discovering the Complex Identities of Vastupāla (13th century)’.

Professor Stephen Skowronek
John G. Winant Visiting Professor of American Government

Stephen Skowronek is the Pelatiah Perit Professor of Political and Social Science at Yale University. He has been a Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and has held the Chair in American Civilization at the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales in Paris. His research concerns American national institutions and American political history.

Professor Kenneth Suslick
George Eastman Visiting Professor (Biomolecular Engineering and Chemistry)

Professor Suslick is Marvin T. Schmidt Research Professor of Chemistry at the University of Illinois. He received his B.S. from the California Institute of Technology in 1974, his PhD from Stanford University in 1978, and came to the University of Illinois immediately thereafter. He has published more than 350 papers, edited four books, and holds 26 patents.

Ken has research interests in sonochemical synthesis of materials, mechanochemistry of MOFs, amorphous and nanophase metals, carbides and catalysts; porphyrin and metalloporphyrin assemblies, monolayers, liquid crystals and nanoporous materials, protein microspheres; chemical and physical effects of ultrasound, heme proteins and their synthetic analogs, olfaction, sensors and artificial olfaction, and protein microspheres for medical imaging and drug delivery.

In addition to his academic research, Ken has had significant entrepreneurial experience. He was the lead consultant for Molecular Biosystems Inc. and part of the team that commercialised the first echo contrast agent for medical sonography, Albunex™, which became Optison™ by GE Healthcare. He was the founding consultant for VivoRx Pharmaceuticals and helped invent and commercialize Abraxane™, albumin microspheres with a paclitaxel core, which is the predominant current delivery system for taxol chemotherapy for breast cancer; VivoRx became Abraxis Bioscience, which was acquired by Celgene for $2.9 billion. He then co-founded ChemSensing, which began the commercialisation of the Suslick group’s optoelectronic nose technology (see his article in Floreat Domus 2019) and its successor, iSense Systems LLC in Mountain View, for the biomedical applications of this unique sensor technology.
First-year undergraduates
Ágoston, András Iván, Fazekas Mihály Secondary School, Hungary, Economics and Management
Ashby Pickering, Rachel Amy, The Beauchamp College, Leicester, Physics and Philosophy
Atkinson, Bruno, Eltham College, London, English Language and Literature
Baxter, Alexander, Worthing College, Worthing, West Sussex, Law
Beattie, Michael James, Southmoor Academy, Sunderland, Tyne and Wear, PPE
Beldarrain Gutierrez, Eugenia, Runnymede College, Spain, Engineering Science
Ben-Tarifite, Yusuf, Richard Hale School, Hertford, Medical Sciences
Berry, Jacob, The Dukeries Academy, Newark, Ancient and Modern History
Boileau, Beatrice Hardy, St Paul’s Girls’ School, Hammersmith, History and Economics
Božović, Aleksandra-Saša, Prva gimnazija Varaždin, Croatia, Mathematics
Brainin, Anna, Parhamer Gymnasium, Austria, Law
Browne, William Mark Maxamillian, Down High School, Northern Ireland, Engineering Science
Cadenazzi, Mhairi, Langley High School, Virginia, Law
Callaghan, Connor Brian Thomas, Belfast Royal Academy, PPE
Cater, James William, Bishop Wordsworth’s Grammar School, Salisbury, History and Modern Languages
Chamberlain, Robert Daniel Neville, Churcher’s College, Hampshire, History
Chen, Siqi, St Joseph’s Institution, Singapore, Physics and Philosophy
Ciocan, Antonie, International Computer High School of Bucharest, Physics and Philosophy
Cohen-Shah, Yasar, Merchant Taylors’ School, Hertfordshire, History
Constantin-Buliga, Ștefan, Tudor Vianu National College of Computer Science, Romania, Computer Science
Cubitt, William Mallow, Eton College, Windsor, Engineering Science
D’Angelo, Rory, London Academy of Excellence, Stratford, English Language and Literature
Dealtry, Jake, Eton College, Windsor, Law
Eldh, Erik Magnus, ProCivitas Private Gymnasium, Helsingborg, Sweden, Physics
Evans, Huw George, Backwell School, Bristol, PPE
Fan, Xinmeng (Nicole), Shanghai Experimental Foreign Language School, Chemistry
Farnsworth, James Euan, Watford Grammar School for Boys, Physics
Ferner-Robson, Mungo Knut, Colchester Royal Grammar School, Essex, Classics
Ferrante, Elijah-Matteo, St Anselm’s College, Birkenhead, History
Fox, Harry Thomas, Torquay Boys’ Grammar School, History
Frascina, Hugo Francis Alessandro, High Storrs School, Sheffield, Physics
Gharial, Arun Singh, St Clement Danes School, Hertfordshire, Economics and Management
Gillespie, Kathryn Laura, Methodist College Belfast, Modern Languages
Goldstein, Joshua, St Paul’s School, Hammersmith, Modern Languages
Green, Molly, Rodillian Academy, Wakefield, Mathematics and Philosophy
Hack, Benjamin William John, Magdalen College School, Oxford, Computer Science and Philosophy
Heath, Sophie Charlotte Emily, Richmond Park Academy, London, English Language and Literature
Heitmann, Max Finn, St Paul’s School, Hammersmith, Physics and Philosophy
Higgs-Sharrock, Ella, Norwich High School for Girls, History
Howes, Eleanor, St Aidan’s and St John Fisher Associated Sixth Form, Harrogate, Biological Sciences
Hung, Chun Hei, Tonbridge School, Kent, PPE
Kabel, Jonathan Christian, Los Altos High School, California, PPE
Kang, Dong Hyun, Seoul International School, South Korea, Modern Languages and Linguistics
Kershaw, Samantha Jane, Brine Leas School and Sixth Form, Cheshire, English Language and Literature
King, Frederick James, St George’s School, Harpenden, Hertfordshire, Biological Sciences
Knighton, Alexandra Rose Hermione, St John’s International Academy, Marlborough, Medical Sciences
La, Jaewon, West Vancouver Secondary School, Canada, Engineering Science
Lamb, Alexander, King’s College School, Wimbledon, London, Classics
Larkin, Hebe Isobel Bradbury, Pymble Ladies’ College, New South Wales, Classics
Lavelle, Alice, Wimbledon High School, London, Classics
Lee, Do Hyun (Daniel), International School Manila, Philippines, Mathematics
Legris, Leila, Lady Eleanor Holles School, Middlesex, Engineering Science
Li, Ho Kan (Walter), Ying Wa College, Hong Kong, PPE
Liu, Hanming (Hank), St Michaels University School, Canada, Physics
Ma, Emma, Haberdashers’ Aske’s School for Girls, Hertfordshire, History
Mackenzie, Lauren Brayshaw, Barton Peveril College, Hampshire, Mathematics
Manchanda, Vaibhav, The University of Chicago, Law
Manthorpe Rizatepe, Leyla, Haberdashers’ Aske’s School for Girls, Hertfordshire, Law with Law Studies in Europe
Matthews, James Richard, The Windsor Boys’ School, Berkshire, History and Politics
McAlloon, Cecilia Mary, St Bede’s Catholic School and Sixth Form College, Lanchester, County Durham, English Language and Literature
Melia, Jonathan Matthew, Tarporley High School and Sixth Form College, Cheshire, Engineering Science
Mellendijk, Arend Jan Willem, Ulenhofcollege, Netherlands, Mathematics and Computer Science
Mihov, Filip, Orce Nikolov High School, Macedonia, Computer Science
Mills, Regan Jenna, Manchester High School for Girls, Biomedical Sciences
Mohan, Laurence, The London Oratory School, English Language and Literature
Monks, Molly Elizabeth, Thomas Hardye School, Dorchester, Mathematics
Moore, Finlay, Wallington County Grammar School, London, History
Myers, Samuel Felix Slater, Alleyn’s School, Dulwich, Modern Languages
Ngarmnil, Yanissamone (Jane), Shrewsbury International School, Thailand, Chemistry
Nix, Laura, Lord Grey School, Milton Keynes, Physics
North, Cecil, The London Oratory School, Fulham, PPE
Ntodi, Naa, Luton Sixth Form College, Chemistry
O’Rourke, Finn, Huntington School, York, History
Oladinni, Olatoye, Wilson’s School, Wallington, London, English Language and Literature
Peace, Aleisha, Aldridge School, Walsall, Classics
Pope, Matilda Rebecca Mametz, Downe House School, Berkshire, Biomedical Sciences
Prince-Hodges, Melisande Christina, City and Islington Sixth Form College, London, PPE
Rahman, Minhaj, The Heathland School, Middlesex, PPE
Ramachandran, Raghavskandhan, ACG Parnell College, New Zealand, Medical Sciences
Reed, Emily Victoria, Gower College Swansea (Coleg Gwyr Abertawe), English Language and Literature
Richmond Jones, Cerian Alice, King Edward VI High School for Girls, Birmingham, PPE
Saunders, Benjamin, Abingdon School, Oxfordshire, Classics
Shah, Razneen, Kennet School, Berkshire, Medicine
Shamis, Andrew, Queen Elizabeth’s School, Barnet, Mathematics and Computer Science
Sharp, Reuben Sidney, Beaminster School, Dorset, Classics
Shirreff, Lauren Eileen, Kings Priory School, Tynemouth, Tyne and Wear, Classical Archaeology and Ancient History
Simion, Elena Teodora, Ion C. Brătianu National College, Romania, Mathematics and Computer Science
Sin, Wing Pong (Joshua), Tonbridge School, Kent, Chemistry
Sitkowski, Konrad Aleksander, St George’s School, Harpenden, Hertfordshire, Medical Sciences
Skelly, Harryson, Wolfreton School and Sixth Form College, Hull, Chemistry
Snaith, Megan, Thomas Tallis School, Blackheath, History and English
Stephen, Joe, Howard of Effingham School, Surrey, History
Stewart, Ethan, George Watson’s College, Edinburgh, PPE
Streeten, Olivia, Collingham College, London, Oriental Studies
Tan, Claire Ruo Han, Westminster School, London, Classics
Taric Afya, Moris, Açı High School, Turkey, Economics and Management
Traill, Tabitha Louise, King Edward VI School, Southampton, History
Trivedi, Meera, Newham Collegiate Sixth Form Centre, East Ham, London, History and Politics
Tsouloukidse, Nino Elisabeth, Rudolf Steiner Schule Berlin, PPE
Weatherill, Lucy, Wyke Sixth Form College, Hull, Chemistry
Wihba, Sulaiman, Brighton College, Sussex, Mathematics
Wijesekera, Tanya (Ayesha), United Nations International School, New York, Biological Sciences
Wikoff, William Richard, Peddie School, New Jersey, Chemistry
Wilson, Fiona, Wallington High School for Girls, London, Mathematics
Wiseman, Nicholas, City of London School, Mathematics and Philosophy
Woof McColl, Samuel, University College School, Hampstead, History
Xuan, Bryan, Royal Grammar School, Guildford, Chemistry
Yu, Hao (Eva), Beijing National Day School, PPE
Zhang, Jiadong, Zhengzhou Foreign Language School, China, Engineering Science
Visiting students
Buchinger, Hannah, University of Vienna, Austria, History (TT)
Vicens Martínez, Pere, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Spain, Diploma in Legal Studies
Ziemba, Michael, Technical University of Munich, Physics and Philosophy
Zourabichvili, Félix, École Normale Supérieure de Lyon, France, Philosophy

First-year graduates
Agarwal, Gaurav, Balliol College, Medicine – Clinical
Agarwal, Aditya, Delhi Technological University, MSc Computer Science
Aktas, Canan, Galatasaray University, Istanbul, MJur
Al Masri, Diala, Balliol College, DPhil International Development
Alexis, Emmanouil, University of Patras, Synthetic Biology (EPSRC and BBSRC CDT)
Altman, Daniel, University of New South Wales, DPhil Mathematics
Bennett, Lauren, University of Melbourne, MPhil Economics
Bhatia, Gautam, Balliol College, DPhil Law
Blex, Christian, University of Cambridge, DPhil Information, Communication and the Social Sciences
Bogue, Russell, Balliol College, DPhil Politics
Bohlin, Joakim, Chalmers University of Technology, Sweden, DPhil Condensed Matter Physics
Bohne, Mina, King’s College London, MPhil Development Studies
Booth, Hollie, Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, London, DPhil Zoology (HT)
Brons, Robin, Balliol College, DPhil Philosophy
Burman, Richard, University of Cape Town, DPhil Clinical Neurosciences
Cao, Qitong, Stanford University, MSc Social Science of the Internet
Carnell, Atticus, Bowdoin College, Maine, MPhil Politics: Political Theory
Chigiji, Kudzai, University of Cape Town, MBA
Choudhry, Sohail, London School of Economics and Political Science, EMBA
Clarke, Cameron, Balliol College, Master of Public Policy
Comastri, Chiara, St Anne’s College, University of Oxford, DPhil History
Cudic, Mihael, University of Florida, DPhil Biomedical Sciences: NIH-OU
Daniels, Harry, University of Manchester, DPhil English
De Bhal, John, University of Queensland, MPhil International Relations
De Boer, Joanna, Brown University, MPhil Development Studies
De Camps Mora, Jacobo, Balliol College, DPhil Medieval and Modern Languages  
de Jong, Marco, University of Auckland, DPhil History  
De Matos-Ala, Brenden, University of South Africa, EMBA  
Diaz Topete, Maria De La Paloma, College of Europe, Belgium, DPhil Social Policy  
Din, Aleena, University of Cambridge, DPhil History  
Dominiak, Pandora, Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, London, DPhil Theoretical Physics  
Dormor, Caroline, Università degli Studi Bologna, DPhil Medieval and Modern Languages  
Doyle, Jack, University of York, MSc Theoretical and Computational Chemistry (EPSRC CDT)  
Driggs, Derek, Linacre College, University of Oxford, DPhil Oriental Studies  
D'Silva, Allan, Norwegian University of Science and Technology, MSc Computer Science  
Dunn, Isaac, University of Warwick, DPhil Computer Science  
Elworthy, Jake, Jesus College, University of Oxford, DPhil Physical and Theoretical Chemistry  
Fabo, Tania, Harvard University, MSc Medical Anthropology  
Falkenberg, Fanny Tandberg, King’s College London, MPhil International Relations  
Fallona, Michael, University of Southern Maine, EMBA  
Fawkner-Corbett, David, University of Oxford (unaffiliated), DPhil Biomedical and Clinical Sciences  
Fletcher, Theo, New College, University of Oxford, MSc Theoretical and Computational Chemistry (EPSRC CDT)  
Frazier, Aryn, Balliol College, MSc Education (Comparative and International Education)  
Gaglione, Stephanie, Balliol College, DPhil Molecular Cell Biology in Health and Disease  
Gammelgaard, Søren, University of Oslo, DPhil Mathematics  
Gifford-Moore, Jordan, Balliol College, MPhil Law  
Goldblatt, Lily, Balliol College, Medicine – Clinical  
Gonzalez, Violeta, College of Europe, Belgium, EMBA  
Gonzalez, Xavier, Harvard University, MSc Mathematical Sciences  
Goto, An, University of British Columbia, Systems Approaches to Biomedical Science (EPSRC and MRC CDT)
Govender, Kumeren, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, DPhil Clinical Medicine
Gregson, Rory, Balliol College, DPhil Law
Harry, Lucy, New College, University of Oxford, DPhil Criminology
Herdman, Matthew, Queen’s University of Belfast, Interdisciplinary Bioscience (BBSRC DTP)
Hobson-Jones, Samantha, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, BCL
Hoeppke, Christoph, University of Cambridge, Industrially Focused Mathematical Modelling (EPSRC CDT)
Hogan, Laurence, Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, London, DPhil Astrophysics
Hughes, Sophie, University of Bristol, DPhil Oncology
Hvinden, Ingvild, University of Oslo, DPhil Chemical Biology
Jin, Vivian, University of Illinois at Chicago, MSc Medical Anthropology
Jiyani, Mary, Balliol College, DPhil Law
Judt, Daniel, Yale University, MPhil Politics: Political Theory
Kerckhoffs, Aidan, University of Glasgow, Synthesis for Biology and Medicine (EPSRC CDT)
Kerfoot, Eleanor, University of Warwick, MSt History – British and European History 1700–1850
Kerth, Philipp, University of Munich, DPhil Engineering Science
Klemm, Eric Bruno, University of Mannheim, Germany, MPhil Economics
Kodsi, Daniel, Balliol College, BPhil Philosophy
Koroye, Poweide, Obafemi Awolowo University, Nigeria, EMBA
Kreiman Seguer, Guillermo, Instituto Juan March de Estudios e Investigaciones, Spain, DPhil Politics
Kristjansson, Thorvaldur, The Julliard School, New York, EMBA
Kvindesland, Eirik, School of Oriental and African Studies, London, MPhil Modern Middle Eastern Studies
Lachapelle, Alexander, McGill University, DPhil Engineering Science
Lang, Lexi, Boston University, MSc Medical Anthropology
Lange, Gunnar, University of Oslo, MSc Mathematical and Theoretical Physics
Leong, Katherine, University of Sydney, MPhil Economics
Littlewood, Joseph, University of Cambridge, MBA
Lobaskin, Ivan, University College Dublin, MSc Mathematical and Theoretical Physics
Lopez, Antonio, Rutgers University, MPhil Modern Middle Eastern Studies
Lynbeck, Joshua, Balliol College, MSt History – US History
Mac Réamoinn, Eoin, University of Dublin, Trinity College, DPhil Medical Sciences
MacBain, Alexandra, McGill University, MBA
Maccarrone, James, University of Melbourne, MPhil Economics
Mafanya, Sinethemba, University of London, EMBA
Maquelin, Eva, Rijksuniversiteit Groningen, MSc Mathematical Sciences
Martin, Jonathan, Balliol College, Medicine – Clinical
Martinson, Duncan, Brown University, MSc(Res) Mathematics
Matache, Cristina, St Cross College, University of Oxford, DPhil Computer Science
Mateo, Emma, St Antony’s College, University of Oxford, DPhil Sociology
McIntyre, Christopher, Balliol College, Master of Public Policy
Mishra, Abhishek, National University of Singapore, DPhil Philosophy
Moberly, James, Balliol College, MPhil Economics
Montazid, Md Shamir, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh, DPhil Medical Sciences
Moreira Folegatti, Pedro, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, DPhil Clinical Medicine
Mosman, Rève, Vrije University, Netherlands, MSt Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature
Nait Saada, Juba, St Cross College, University of Oxford, DPhil Statistics
Noman, Natasha, Columbia University, MPhil Modern South Asian Studies
Okada, Emile, University of Cambridge, DPhil Mathematics
Omar, Mohammed, New York University, MBA
Ordóñez Angulo, Emmanuel, University College London, DPhil Philosophy
Papaioannou, Georgios, University of Patras, MSt Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature
Patel, Ashna, Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine, London, Interdisciplinary Bioscience (BBSRC DTP)
Phillips, Richard, Balliol College, DPhil English
Price, Gabrielle, Spelman College, Atlanta, MSc(Res) Oncology
Purcell, Ayesha, University of St Andrews, MPhil Classical Archaeology
Rauf, Philipp, University of Freiburg, MBA
Remnick, Noah, Balliol College, DPhil History
Repin, Andrey, University College London, MSc Financial Economics
Schaffner, Florian, London School of Economics and Political Science, DPhil Politics
Schulte, Erin, King’s College London, MSc Social Science of the Internet
Seemann, Carl, University of Freiburg, MSt History – Early Modern History 1500–1700
Shaghikyan, Aleksandr, Armenian State University of Economics, EMBA
Shotton, Charles, Middlebury College, Vermont, MSt History – Medieval History
Sojkova, Barbora, Wolfson College, University of Oxford, DPhil Oriental Studies
Spanou, Petros, New College, University of Oxford, DPhil History
Stanley-Becker, Isaac, Balliol College, DPhil History
Teo, Titus, University of Liverpool, BCL
Then, Chee Kin, Taipei Medical College, Taiwan, MSc(Res) Oncology
Thompson, Bridie, Worcester College, University of Oxford, DPhil Classical Languages and Literature
Tibau Vidal, Anicet, Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona, MSc Mathematical and Theoretical Physics
Truswell, Alice, University of Technology Sydney, MBA
Tsakonas, Frances, Harvard University, EMBA
Tyrrell, Brian, St Peter’s, University of Oxford, DPhil Mathematics
Van Heerden, Emily, Balliol College, MPhil Law
Veronese-Clucas, Leah, King’s College London, DPhil English
Vettikkal, Angela, Columbia University, MSt in Oriental Studies
Vicens Martinez, Pere, Pompeu Fabra University, Spain, Diploma in Legal Studies
Vintar, Mirko, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich, MPhil Economics
Wahab, Charles, London School of Economics and Political Science, EMBA
West, Henry, University of Tasmania, DPhil in Medical Sciences
Whitehead, Peter, Queen Mary University of London, MSt English (650–1550)
Winters, Geoffrey, University of Sydney, Master of Public Policy
Wiseman, Jacob, Lincoln College, University of Oxford, MSt English (1550–1700)
Xu, Jin, University of Edinburgh, DPhil Statistics
Yang, Huining, University of Manchester, Industrially Focused Mathematical Modelling (EPSRC CDT)
Yao, Zheng, Vanderbilt University, MSc Financial Economics
Yeo, Eugenia, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, MPhil International Relations
Yi, Gangshun, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, DPhil Clinical Medicine
Yogananda Jeppu, Natasha, National Institute of Technology Karnataka, India, DPhil Computer Science

College staff

New appointments
Toby Christensen, appointed Buildings Manager 1 November 2018
Dalene Claassen, appointed Management Accountant 12 November 2018
Emmy Craft, appointed Nursery Practitioner 10 December 2018
Ellie Eldridge, appointed Apprentice Nursery Practitioner 23 July 2018
Bethany Hamblen, appointed Archivist and Records Manager 15 October 2018
Mathias Nicholls, appointed College Office Assistant 3 September 2018
Hannah O’Brien, appointed Nursery Manager 29 August 2018
Lesley Quirk, appointed PA to Development Director 8 October 2018
Callum Saunders, appointed Apprentice Chef 3 September 2018
Ruth Sheaves, appointed Alumni Officer 19 February 2019
Joshua Todhunter-Newman, appointed College Office Assistant 25 February 2019
Hannah Vowles, appointed Head of Development 17 September 2018

Departures
Vanessa Clark, Nursery Manager, left 31 October 2018
Neville Clarke, College Surveyor, left 20 September 2018
Patrick Holmes, Undergraduate Administrator (maternity cover), left 31 March 2019
Angharad Jones (2015), Alumni Officer, left 20 December 2018
Alan Lisgo, Holywell Manor Gardener, left 25 July 2018
Mathias Nicholls, College Office Assistant, left 9 November 2018
David Yates, Head Porter, left 31 May 2019

Retirements
Jaime Baez, Second Chef (joined Balliol February 1997), retired 31 December 2018
Kathleen Carpenter, Head Housekeeper (joined Balliol March 1997), retired 30 June 2019
Nicholas Page, Electrician (joined Balliol 7 June 2004), retired 28 June 2019
Sandy Ranson, Salaries and Pensions Officer (joined Balliol 24 February 1969), retired 30 September 2018
Review of the Year
Review of the year
Nicola Trott (Senior Tutor)

We hope readers will take an interest in this new content, an overview of achievements and performance (some of which are also covered elsewhere in this Record) to 31 July, which is produced for the College’s annual accounts under Charities SORP – the Charity Commission Statement of Recommended Practice. Equivalent reports for previous years, going back to 2010/2011, are published with the accounts, the archives to which may be found at https://www.ox.ac.uk/about/organisation/finance-and-funding/archive-of-financial-statements?wssl=1.

Selected highlights of the 2018/19 year
A year-long redecoration of the Master’s Lodgings – the final phase of which has taken in the College Office, freshly painted for the first time in decades – is drawing to a conclusion. During this period, we have completed one block of the Master’s Field Project (about which, for the followers, there have been regular updates, in September and November 2018, and in February and May 2019), refurbished the JCR, and conserved and re-installed a stained-glass window in Chapel. The Porters’ Lodge is the next area of the main site targeted for improvement, though we are assured that during the works it will still be possible to get in and out of College via the front gate, while the works themselves will at last make us fully accessible from Broad Street. And we are now well into the second half of a ten-year programme of refurbishments.

Along similarly refreshing and refurbing lines, the Master and Fellows have recently held a series of ‘consilia’ – single-issue Governing Body meetings –
to discuss academic strategy, for the medium and longer term. Having spent much time in recent years on the Master’s Field and other capital assets, it was a welcome change to focus specifically on people, on academic subjects, and on intellectual resources. We are part way through a review of our programme for early career academics. We have committed to electing new Honorary Fellows, in pride of whose achievements we hope to reflect something of the range of our Old Membership. There has been some overlap in our discussion of academic strategy for undergraduates with the business of a newly formed Access & Equality Working Group, on which student members (graduate and undergraduate) are in the majority: one outcome is that we have taken steps to address our historic gender imbalance (making necessarily small but we hope effective shifts in order to attract more applications from women). Another is that we have decided to bolster our single-Tutor subjects, by seeking to appoint
a second Tutorial Fellow in both Biological Sciences and Computer Science. In the wake of various changes, we have also affirmed our commitment to Engineering Science as a three-Tutor subject. All three of these undergraduate disciplines are as it happens areas of growth for the University at large, and we have had an immediate and enthusiastic endorsement by the relevant departments of the plan to expand in Biology, and will be going ahead with that proposal at the start of the next academic year. These are the investments we think are necessary to keep pace in these fields, as also with the other admitting colleges, and with the access schemes – developed in colleges and now being embraced by the University – to increase the diversity of its intake from UK applicants. A big stride in that same direction for Balliol is that we have agreed to join forces with the first set of colleges to participate in the Opportunity Oxford programme, aimed at attracting and retaining those who come to us from under-represented backgrounds. (Measures of how
we are doing can be found in the second of the now annual University-wide Admissions Statistical Report.)

This is but one of the many, often collaborative, ways in which we are further developing our outreach to schools and students, academies and teachers, from running our own Floreat access programme for Year 12s to contributing to the digital outreach portal Oxplore, for which this past year Balliol students have made a video and joined an online event, to putting on a women-only PPE Taster Day (a first for us, devised to take on the challenge we face from the relative dearth of female applicants to one of Oxford’s key degree courses). That last occasion was planned with a significant anniversary in mind. In September we are proud to be host a ‘40 Years On’ event for Balliol women – the 40 in question marking the time since the College went mixed at undergraduate level – and by a curious, almost uncanny, coincidence, in this anniversary year we have for the first time ever made a (slight) majority of our offers of undergraduate places to women. One visible sign of this historic moment is that the alumnae who come back in September will see a change to the line-up of pictures in Hall, the route to the re-hang having been led, most ably and appropriately, by a new portrait of Professor Frances Kirwan (1981) DBE FRS, Tutorial Fellow in Mathematics 1986–2017 and now the first woman (and fourth Balliolian) Savilian Professor of Geometry.

The year has not just looked unreflectingly forward, then. Attention has been paid to the history of the College and, on a memorable occasion recently, the history of History itself, or rather its quintessentially Balliol incarnation, in the shape of former Fellows Cobb and Keen. But, as our previous Master Andrew Graham has reminded us, this history can also be bang up-to-date, including as it does the founding role the College has had in the origins of the Oxford Internet Institute. And Balliol’s past is itself a matter for contemporary debate. A piece written by the current Master in consultation with a number of Fellows explores the College’s multi-faceted and changing relationship with colonialism, and is to go online as the Balliol entry for an Oxford-wide project on this often hotly contested ground.

Meanwhile the College’s social calendar has marked time in more light-hearted ways, with a Christmas Quiz in the Library, with the unexpected visit to the Garden Quad of the English rugby team, then in the midst of the Six Nations Championship, and with a June Ball, enjoyed by a 1,000 or so members and guests at the start of the first heatwave of the summer.
In memoriam
The most significant memorial of the year was to commemorate, in a Service of Reconciliation in Chapel for Remembrance Sunday on 11 November 2018, the centenary of the Armistice. A parallel event was held in the College Library, where a display of First World War material was introduced with a reading by the Fellow Librarian. Nor did we forget World Holocaust Memorial Day, on Sunday 27 January, for which the Chapel held a service and heard an address by Foundation Fellow Dame Stephanie Shirley, herself a Kindertransportee. Our individual losses, several of which are acknowledged with obituaries in this Annual Record, included from the Fellowship those of Paul Streten and Julia Hore. The memorial service for Julia, held in Chapel on 15 January 2019, at which the College was honoured to receive her family and friends, brought together no fewer than four Masters past and present, a smattering of Senior Tutors, and many other Officers and Fellows of the College, chief among them the Revd Douglas Dupree (Emeritus Fellow), our former Chaplain, who had travelled from Florida to make the address that is included in the Record.

Academic appointments
The past year has seen the addition to the Fellowship of the Warden of Rhodes House (the latest in an almost unbroken run for Balliol, but the first woman to occupy the role), Professorial Fellow Elizabeth Kiss (1983); the Tutor in Mathematics to succeed Frances Kirwan, Professor Jason Lotay; Miriam Backens as a Career Development Fellow in Computer Science; Research Fellows in Astrophysics (Rehan Deen), Zoology (Nuno Faria), and Classical Indology (Aleksandra Restifo); the Visiting Fellows appointed to the George Eastman and John G Winant university professorships (Kenneth Suslick and Stephen Skowronek respectively), and the Visiting Fellows and Lecturers whom Balliol appoints with funds donated by, and now in memory of, Oliver Smithies (this year, Bruce Chapman, Mairi McLaughlin and Tehila Sasson). We were also glad to be hosts to Ruth Perry from MIT, who was on her second exchange visit to Balliol.

Sadly, in addition to having said goodbye to all our visitors, we end this academic year with the major loss, after 18 years at Balliol, of Robert Field, Lubbock Fellow and Professor of Engineering Science, who is retiring from his post as Tutor in Engineering. We regret also the departures of Scot Peterson from his Research Fellowship, held since 2016, and of Stefan Sienkiewicz, for five years a Career Development Fellow in Ancient Philosophy. Without meaning to be careless, we have been unfortunate enough to lose two CDFs
in Computer Science in the course of the year: Ohad Kammar, to a position at Edinburgh, and Miriam Backens, after just two terms, to a permanent appointment at Birmingham. Finally, Gijsbert Werner, Research Fellow in the Sciences, has taken up a position at The Hague. We wish them all well.

Select honours and distinctions to Balliol Old Members
It is not often that the Balliol year brings an accession, but May Day 2019 saw the occasion of the Japanese imperial transition, when our alumna and Honorary Fellow became Her Majesty The Empress Masako of Japan. To continue the regal theme, the Governing Body also congratulated Old Members in the New Year Honours and the Queen’s Birthday Honours 2019, listed on page 60 of this Record.

Also rare in the Balliol annals is the successful conclusion of a 25-year diplomatic mission: for United Nations mediator Matt Nimetz (1960) the ratification of the North Macedonia name agreement in January 2019 was the crowning achievement of a commission that began, under President Clinton, in 1994. Slightly less rare, though still remarkable, is the case of a former student becoming Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, but July 2019 has of course seen just that, with the appointment to that office of...
Boris Johnson (1983). In the cabinet reshuffle that has followed, two more alumni have taken up positions in the new government: Jo Johnson (1991) as Minister of State at the Departments for Education and for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, and Robin Walker (1997) as Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Office of the Secretary of State for Scotland. And, a notable first for the College, and one that arises as the Court approaches its tenth anniversary, the Right Honourable Lord Reed (1978 and Visitor of Balliol) has been appointed President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom.

Other recognitions of distinction to Balliol alumni we were pleased to applaud included: the appointment as a Member of the Order of Canada (CM), for his commitment as a public servant and educator who has enriched Canada’s media landscape, of the Hon John F. Godfrey (1965); the Canadian Association of Former Parliamentarians’ Lifetime Achievement Award to the Hon Bob Rae (1969); the election as a Fellow of the Royal Society of New Zealand of Professor David Williams (1969); the Royal Society Mullard Award to Professor Hagan Bayley FRS (1970 and Honorary Fellow); the Royal Academy of Engineering’s Silver Medal to Professor Paul Newman (1991) ‘for an outstanding personal contribution to UK engineering’; the Nigerian Healthcare Excellence Award (NHEA) for Life Time Achievement to Emeritus Professor Oladapo Olujimi Akinkugbe (1962 and Honorary Fellow); the appointment of Tamara Finkelstein (1986) as Permanent Secretary at Defra, where she succeeds fellow alumna Clare Moriarty (1982); the Alistair Horne Visiting Fellowship at St Antony’s College, Oxford, awarded to Farrah Jarral (2000); the appointment of Hayley Hooper (2008) as Fellow, Tutor in Law and Associate Professor in Law at Harris Manchester College, Oxford; the University of Sydney appointments for Balliol alumni Tim Soutphommasane (2004) – as the university’s first Professor of Practice (Sociology and Political Theory) – and Dr Frances Flanagan...
(2005), as a Postdoctoral Fellow; and the NERC Impact Award runner-up prize awarded to Professor Paul Williams (1995). Not a small part of the pleasure we take in congratulating Old Members lies in the sheer variety, as well as scale, of their accomplishments: in the past 12 months, Martin Edwards (1974) has won the Crime Writers’ Association Dagger in the Library award, Joey Goldman (2012) and George Corfield (2011) have won the final of BBC2’s Only Connect (29 April 2019) – the same Joey who captained Balliol to victory in the 2016–17 University Challenge – and Chris Beeley (1997) has won bronze medals in both the 5k and 1500m at the 2018 British Transplant Games. Kieran Hodgson (2006) even managed to pull off a comedy performance about Brexit at the Edinburgh Fringe – with Ted Heath (1935) as a sidekick.

Among the former Fellows who have enjoyed success this past year are Professor David Wallace (quondam Tutorial Fellow), appointed to the A.W. Mellon Chair in History and Philosophy of Science and in Philosophy, at Pittsburgh; Tom Douglas (previously a Junior Research Fellow), awarded an ERC Consolidator Grant, and Jonathan Meakins (erstwhile Nuffield Professor of Surgery and Professorial Fellow), recipient of an honorary degree from Western University, Canada.

**Select honours and distinctions to current Balliol Fellows and tutors**

It is not quite an imperial transition, but the annual changeover of Proctors as senior officers of the University is attended by a certain amount of ceremony, and this year it was Balliol’s turn to witness the admission of Professor Sophie Marnette, Dervorguilla Fellow and Tutor in French, as Junior Proctor, in the Sheldonian Theatre, on 13 March 2019. Richard Ovenden, Bodley’s Librarian and Professorial Fellow, joined those of our alumni listed in the Queen’s Birthday Honours, receiving an OBE for services to libraries and archives. In the course of the year, we were proud to learn that two early career Fellows, Adam Nahum (2002) and Ohad Kammar, had been appointed University Research Fellows at the Royal Society, Ohad also going on to receive a Distinguished Paper Award; that Nick Trefethen, Professor of Numerical Analysis and Professorial Fellow, was awarded honorary degrees by both the University of Fribourg and the University of Stellenbosch; and that Vicky Neale, Whitehead Lecturer in Mathematics and Supernumerary Fellow, won a Suffrage Science award. Vicky’s latest exploit has been to join the Big Internet Math-Off 2019. Major achievements in their respective fields were chalked up by Professor Dermot O’Hare (1978), SCG Fellow and Tutor in Inorganic Chemistry, who with the University signed a new seven-year agreement for
the SCG-Oxford Centre of Excellence for Chemistry, of which he is founder; by Professors David Lucas and Dominic O’Brien, who are Leader and Co-director respectively of sections of the Technology Hub now centred on Oxford which is seeking to meet the enormous and enormously complex challenge of quantum computing; by Professor Adam Smyth, A.C. Bradley–J.C. Maxwell Fellow and Tutor in English Literature, who brought out two publications in one year, an edited collection of Book Parts and an intriguing collage work 13 March 1911 based around the date of his grandfather’s birth; and by Professor Rosalind Thomas, Dyson-Macgregor Fellow, Jowett Lecturer and Tutor in Ancient History, who launched her most recent work of scholarship, Polis Histories, Collective Memories and the Greek World (CUP, 2019) at a College party on 25 April. The published output of Fellows ranged as widely as the woes of Emmanuel Macron (Sudhir Hazareesingh (1981), in the TLS) and the vibrational communication of courting planthoppers (Alice Cicirello, in PLOS Biology).

Select achievements of Balliol students
Every year the College helps many students on their way to doing projects, near and far, academic and non-academic, for a multitude of different purposes. Last year we made 160 grants totalling £50,465.75. We also had a number of pleasant surprises in the educational activities of our undergraduates, as, for instance, prizes to Jesse Sigal, for a functional programming paper, and to Andreea-Maria Oncescu (Engineer and Lubbock Scholar), at a poster competition held during the 45th Maurice Lubbock Memorial Lecture on 22 May 2019. Another undergraduate Engineer, Arman Karshenas, won

New books by Adam Smyth and Rosalind Thomas.
Best Therapeutics Project award and a gold medal with an Oxford team in the International Genetically Engineered Machine competition; and Stefan Constantin-Buliga represented Oxford University in the world finals of the International Collegiate Programming Contest 2019. Balliol graduates also took home plenty of honours. Second-year BPhil Philosophy student Maya Krishnan landed that most coveted of Oxford prizes, election to a Fellowship by Examination at All Souls. DPhil candidate Andrey Levitskiy of the Faculty of Medieval and Modern Languages gained a Vice-Chancellor’s Public Engagement with Research Award. A best poster prize went to doctoral Engineer Barbara Souza. And Law graduate Talita de Souza Dias was awarded the Journal of International Criminal Justice Prize 2018.

Away from the library, the lab and the laptop, competitive sport and mind sport saw Balliol students rowing, and playing chess, football and rugby, at inter-collegiate and Varsity level. Preparations for this year’s Summer Eights were captured in a Boat Club video. But our Floreat and Cadle Fund grants show that the full range of sporting and cultural recreation extends to dozens of different interests. These are valuable for themselves but also for their contribution to the all-round health and well-being of the Balliol community, which we have been actively trying to promote and enhance.

**Donor relations**

Gifts large and small have been gratefully received. The College’s Impact Report 2019, though it necessarily covers giving in the previous year, shows how vital these are. The 12 current students who took part in the spring
telethon at the end of Hilary Term 2019 were delighted to speak to hundreds of Old Members, and over 130 gifts were made. And on 14 May the Master welcomed alumni and friends to the beautiful Leathersellers’ Hall in London for the inaugural 1263 Circle drinks reception. With thanks to our donors, whose names are given at the end of this Record, Floreat Domus.

Signing of a Deed of Gift and new Declaration of Trust for the Maurice Lubbock Trust Fund, 4 December 2018. Left to right: Dame Helen Ghosh DCB (Master), Lyulph Lubbock, 5th Baron Avebury, and Paul Buckley (Emeritus Fellow). The original Maurice Lubbock Memorial Fund was established by the Lubbock family in memory of the Hon Maurice Lubbock (1919). For 50 years it was chaired by his son, the late Eric Lubbock, 4th Baron Avebury (1945 and Honorary Fellow 2004–2016). Amongst other things, the Trust supports the Lubbock Fellowship; Lubbock Scholarships and Exhibitions; and the Maurice Lubbock Memorial Lectures, held annually without a break since 1964 covering a wide range of topical issues in engineering and, since 1980, in management.
Achievements and Awards
Undergraduate Scholarships and Exhibitions

**Biological Sciences**
Zoe Weeks, Brackenbury Scholarship; Joshua Jones, Brackenbury Exhibition

**Chemistry**
James Knox, Brackenbury Scholarship; Jack Briggs, Andrew Pang Exhibition; Louis Minion, Mouat-Jones Exhibition

**Classics**
Harry Berry, Frazer Scholarship; Jack Hardy, Robin Hollway Scholarship; Holly Hunt, Robin Hollway Scholarship; Gabriel Rawlinson, Eric Raymond Noble Scholarship; Barnaby Thompson, Eric Raymond Noble Scholarship; Emily Glancey, Eric Raymond Noble Exhibition

**Classics and Oriental Studies**
Lucas Orchard-Clark, Robin Hollway Scholarship

**Computer Science**
Andrei Constantinescu, Donald Michie Exhibition

**Computer Science and Philosophy**
Axel Ronquist, Arthur Levitan Exhibition; Jack Weatherilt, Arthur Levitan Exhibition

**Economics and Management**
Felix Tan, Markby Scholarship; Kasper Verkammen, Markby Scholarship; Lucy Qu, Markby Exhibition

**Engineering Science**
Andrew MacGowan, Lubbock Scholarship; Arman Karshenas Najafabadi, Lubbock Exhibition; Felix Peterken, Jervis-Smith Exhibition; Shaohong Zhong, Newman Exhibition

**English**
Alex Blaney, Goldsmith Scholarship; Isabel Ion, Goldsmith Scholarship; Isabelle Stuart, Goldsmith Scholarship; Emma Jones, Elton Exhibition; Ruby Nicholson, Higgs Exhibition; Lauren Tavriger, Elton Exhibition; Rhys Underdown, Goldsmith Exhibition; Georgia Watts, Goldsmith Exhibition

**English and Modern Languages**
Tom Pigram, Cecil Spring Rice Exhibition
History
Ben Gray, Reynolds Scholarship; Cole Horton, Reynolds Scholarship; Jessica Graydon, Fletcher Exhibition; Mia Liyanage, James Gay Exhibition; Frederick Lynam, Fletcher Exhibition; William Neubauer, James Gay Exhibition; Dominic Newman, Reynolds Exhibition

History and Economics
Jack Eaton, Fletcher Exhibition; Thomas Laver, James Gay Exhibition

History and Modern Languages
Jojo Moss, Higgs Scholarship

Law
Nils Deeg, Brackenbury Scholarship; Katie Lawrence-Smith, Brackenbury Scholarship; Alexander Baxter, Brackenbury Exhibition; Jake Dealtry, Brackenbury Exhibition; Tanja Gunther, Brackenbury Exhibition; Tiho Svilanovic, Brackenbury Exhibition; Mick Yang, Brackenbury Exhibition

Mathematics
George Cooper, Arthur Levitan Scholarship; Kirsty Land, Markby Scholarship; Thomas Falezan, Arthur Levitan Exhibition; André Heycock, Arthur Levitan Exhibition; Yankang Zhu, Les Woods Exhibition

Mathematics and Computer Science
Matthew Hillman, Donald Michie Scholarship; Daniel Rastelli, Konstantinos Katsikas Exhibition

Mathematics and Philosophy
Ben Elliott, Arthur Levitan Exhibition

Medical Sciences
Safia Khan, Brackenbury Exhibition; Charlotte Lee, Brackenbury Exhibition

Modern Languages
Joseph Al-Khalili, Cecil Spring Rice Exhibition; Hugo Middle, Galpin Exhibition

Philosophy, Politics and Economics
Felix Heilmann, James Hall Scholarship; Julius Hillebrand, Markby Scholarship; Rebecca Clark, James Hall Exhibition; Sarah Duffy, James Hall Exhibition; Daniel Gonzalez Pavesio, NT Huxley Exhibition; Timothy Hunt, NT Huxley Exhibition; Michael O'Connor, Markby Exhibition; Alex Rowland, Fletcher Exhibition; Ilya Shemmer, Fletcher Exhibition
Physics
Robbie Ewart, Theobald Scholarship; Joel Lowther, Theobald Scholarship; Tommy Matthews, Prosser Scholarship; Ana Sotirova, Prosser Scholarship; Aakash Lakshmanan, Theobald Exhibition

Physics and Philosophy
Paolo Faglia, Theobald Exhibition

Graduate Scholarships
Dominic Owens, Phizackerley Senior Scholarship
Eleanor Kerfoot, Balliol-Bodley Scholarship

College prizes
Any subject
Melissa Altinsoy, Prelims Prize
Allison Arber, Prelims Prize
Jamie Barnes, Prelims Prize
Kenny Jeong, Prelims Prize
Dan Kwok, Prelims Prize
Josh Penollar, Prelims Prize
Beth Thomas, Prelims Prize
Georgia Watts, Prelims Prize

Chemistry
Johnathan Bulled, Greville-Smith Prize (shared)
James Knox, Greville-Smith Prize (shared)
George Wright, Greville-Smith Prize (shared)
Jing Yee Kee, Greville-Smith Prize

Classics
Holly Hunt, Jenkyns Exhibition (shared)
William Taylor, Jenkyns Exhibition (shared)
Barney Thompson, Samuel Dubner Prize (Classics)

Engineering
Hamish Hall, Lubbock Prize
Simon Newns, Prosser Prize (Engineering) (shared)
Philemon Kwok, Kyriacou and Sherwin-Smith Prize (shared)
Andreea-Maria Oncescu, Kyriacou and Sherwin-Smith Prize (shared)
Kelan Patel, Prosser Prize (Engineering) (shared)
English
Mollie Cross, Kington Oliphant Prize (English Literature)

History and Joint Schools
Kathryn Jones, Roger Hall Prize (History)
Kathryn Jones, James Gay Prize
Thomas Laver, Kington Oliphant Prize (History)
Freddy Potts, Edwin George Engleby Wright Prize

Law
Anna Brainin, Law Moderations Prize
Mhairi Cadenazzi, Law Moderations Prize
Leyla Manthorpe Rizatepe, Law Moderations Prize
Leyla Manthorpe Rizatepe, Lord Rodger of Earlsferry Prize

Mathematics and Joint Schools
Sean Liew, Prosser Prize (Mathematics and Joint School)
Utsav Popat, Prosser Prize (Mathematics and Joint School)

Medical and Biomedical Sciences
Natasha Larcom, Periam Prize
Charlotte Lee, Wurtman Prize (2nd place)
Jonathan Mallet, Periam Prize
Benjamin Walker, Wurtman Prize (1st place)

PPE
Oscar Alexander-Jones, Jenkyns Prize (PPE) (1st place)
Amrita Khandpur, Jenkyns Prize (PPE) (2nd place)
Millie Prince-Hodges, Samuel Dubner Prize (PPE) (shared)
Cerian Richmond Jones, Samuel Dubner Prize (PPE) (shared)
Ilya Shemmer, Thomas Balogh Prize

Physics and Joint Schools
Erik Eldh, Ken Allen Prize (Year 1, shared)
Hugo Frascina, Ken Allen Prize (Year 1, shared)
Alexander Gough, Ken Allen Prize (Year 3, shared)
Ana Sotirova, Ken Allen Prize (Year 3, shared)
Arb Xhameni, Ken Allen Prize (Year 2)

Prizes for work outside normal academic work
Tania Fabo, 750 Prize in Humanities, Social Sciences, and Sciences (proxime accessit)
Daniel Judt, 750 Prize in Humanities, Social Sciences, and Sciences (shared)
Eirik Kvindesland, 750 Prize in Humanities, Social Sciences, and Sciences
Vaibhav Manchanda, Raja Sir Maharaj Singh Prize
Emmanuel Ordóñez Angulo, 750 Prize in Humanities, Social Sciences, and Sciences (shared)
Daniel Tracey, 750 Prize in Humanities, Social Sciences, and Sciences
Rhys Underdown, Gertrude Hartley Poetry Prize
Benjamin Walker, George Powell Prize
Jack Womack, Bob and Jeanie Heller Prize

Non-academic College awards

Pathfinders Programme awards
William Westerman Pathfinder Awards to North America: Gregory Brinkworth; Peter Hensman; Isabel Ion; Shreya Lakhani; Dominic Newman; Suwanja Srikantha
William Westerman Pathfinder Awards to Asia: Daniel Luo; Charlotte Lee

Other awards
Rachel Sarah Knapp Award:
George Cooper, Isis Kearney, Lauren Tavriger

Correction to Annual Record 2018
We apologise to Miina Hiilloskivi, winner of the A.C. Dicey Prize 2018, for spelling her name incorrectly.

University prizes
Samantha Hobson-Jones (BCL), Monckton Chambers Prize in Competition Law
Andrey Levitskiy (DPhil Medieval and Modern Languages (French and Russian), Oxford University’s Vice-Chancellor’s Public Engagement with Research Award in the Early Career Researcher Awards category
James Moberly (MPhil Economics), Best Overall Performance in Year 1
Hugo Monnery (MPhil Economics), George Webb Medley Prize for Best Thesis

For performance in Final Honour Schools
Paolo Faglia, Gibbs Prize for performance in Physics papers in Part A of the Honour School of Physics and Philosophy
Matthew Hillman, British Telecom Research and Technology Prize for Mathematics and Computer Science 2019 (joint winner) for the best overall performance, with special regard for Computer Science papers
Jing Yee Kee, Gibbs Book Prize for Chemistry Part IB
Samuel Myers, David Gibbs Prize for the best performance in Modern Languages in 2018/2019 (joint winner)
Axel Ronquist, Hoare Prize for the best overall performance in Computer Science and Philosophy
Ana Sotirova, Physics prize for practical work in Part B
Felix Tan, Gavin Cameron Memorial Prize for Best Performance in Econometrics
William Taylor, Dean Ireland Prize 2019 for the highest overall average in the FHS of Literae Humaniores, Classics & English, Classics & Modern Languages, Classics & Oriental Studies, Ancient & Modern History and Classical Archaeology & Ancient History; and Harold Lister Sunderland Prize 2018 for performance in the Greek literature papers in the FHS of Literae Humaniores, Classics & English, Classics & Modern Languages and Classics & Oriental Studies
George Wright, Physical and Theoretical Chemistry Prize for Part II Thesis

Firsts and distinctions

Distinctions in Prelims and Honour Moderations
Biological Sciences: Frederick King
Classical Archaeology and Ancient History: Lauren Shirreff
Economics and Management: Moris Taric Afya
English Language and Literature: Cecilia McAloon, Olatoye Oladinni
History: Robert Chamberlain, Yasar Cohen-Shah, Elijah-Matteo Ferrante, Ella Higgs-Sharrock, Finlay Moore, Samuel Woof McColl
History and Economics: Beatrice Boileau
History and Politics: James Matthews, Meera Trivedi
Law: Alexander Baxter, Jake Dealtry
Modern Languages: Samuel Myers (French)
Philosophy, Politics and Economics
Chun Hei Hung, Jonathan Kabel, Ho Kan (Walter) Li, Melisande Prince-Hodges, Cerian Richmond Jones, Hao (Eva) Yu
Chemistry: Xinmeng (Nicole) Fan, Naa Ntodi, Wing Pong (Joshua) Sin
Computer Science: Stefan Constantin-Buliga, Filip Mihov
Computer Science and Philosophy: Benjamin Hack
Medical Sciences: Raghavskandhan Ramachandran
Mathematics: Aleksandra-Sasa Bozovic, Sulaiman Wihba
Mathematics and Computer Science: Arend Mellendijk
Mathematics and Philosophy: Nicholas Wiseman
Physics and Philosophy: Siqi Chen, Max Heitmann

**Firsts in Honour Moderations, Year 2**
Classics: Henry Berry, Jack Hardy, Gabriel Rawlinson
Classics and Oriental Studies: Lucas Orchard-Clark

**Firsts in Public Examinations, Year 3**
Mathematics: George Cooper
Mathematics and Computer Science: Matthew Hillman
Physics: Robert Ewart, Alexander Gough, Alex Hopkins, Joel Lowther, Thomas Matthews, Ana Sotirova

**Firsts in Honour Schools**
Biological Sciences: Zoe Weeks
Economics and Management: Felix Tan, Kasper Verkammen
English Language and Literature: Alexander Blaney, Isabel Ion, Liam Sargeant, Isabelle Stuart, Rhys Underdown
History: Gregory Brinkworth, Benjamin Gray, Cole Horton, Dominic Newman, Athravan Sett, Nathan White
Jurisprudence: Stephanie McAnally
Philosophy, Politics and Economics: Felix Heilmann, Julius Hillebrand
Medical Sciences: Francesca Back, Natasha Larcom
Physics: Monique Keane
Literae Humaniores: James Baker, Joseph Barber, Sara Bicknell, Holly Hunt, Maarten-Pieter Moolenburgh, Perdita Shirley, William Taylor
Chemistry: Adam Beecroft, Johnathan Bulled, James Knox, George Wright
Computer Science and Philosophy: Axel Ronquist
Engineering Science: Philemon Kwok, Andreea-Maria Oncescu, William Wathey
Mathematics: Henrique Aguiar, Daniel Clark, Benjamin Hubbert
Mathematics and Computer Science: Cong Lu, Jesse Sigal
Physics: Daniel Luo

**Distinctions in graduate degrees**
BCL: Samantha Hobson-Jones
BPhil: Aidan Penn
MPhil Buddhist Studies: Pema McLaughlin
MPhil Economic and Social History: Asha Banerjee
MPhil Economics: Anne Williamson
MPhil Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature: Bianca Dinkelaar
MPhil Greek and/or Roman History: Edward Jones
MPhil International Relations (Year 1): Fanny Falkenberg
MPhil International Relations: Ellen Tveteraas
MPhil Judaism and Christianity in Graeco-Roman World: Ayelet Wenger
MPhil Politics (Year 1): Daniel Judt
MSc Mathematical and Theoretical Physics: Gunnar Lange, Anicet Tibau Vidal
MSc Mathematical Sciences: Xavier Gonzalez, Eva Maquelin
MSt English: Jacob Wiseman
MSt Greek and/or Latin Languages and Literature: Georgios Papaioannou
MSt History: Charles Shotton
MSc Mathematical and Theoretical Physics, Ivan Lobaskin

Doctorates of Philosophy

Arroyo Hornero, Rebeca, Surgical Sciences, ‘Investigation of CD27-CD70 Co-Stimulation in Human Regulatory T Cells for Enhanced Cellular Therapy in Transplantation’
Beacom, Jamie, Mathematics, ‘Computation of Unipotent Albanese Maps on Elliptic and Hyperelliptic Curves’
Bianchi, Fabio, Engineering Science, ‘Multi-Scale Effects of Stretch on Peripheral Nerves’
Cooper, Guy, Life Sciences Interface (EPSRC CDT) – Zoology, ‘Division of Labour and the Evolution of Complex Social Groups’
Duffy, James, Primary Health Care, ‘Minimum Data Sets in Women’s Health: Opportunities and Challenges Explored within the Context of Developing a Core Outcome Set for Pre-eclampsia’
Fulla, Peter, Computer Science, ‘On the Valued Constraint Satisfaction Problem’
Gushterov Totev, Nikola, Theoretical Physics, ‘Holographic Approaches to Strongly Interacting Systems’
Jackson, Joshua, Mathematics, ‘Moduli Spaces of Unstable Curves and Sheaves via Non-Reducive Geometric, Invariant Theory’
Jefferson, William, Philosophy, ‘The Moral Significance of Empathy’
Kasim, Timotius, Management Studies, ‘The Role of Accounting in Realigning Corporate Purpose: Essays on Carbon Accounting and Reporting Practices’
Kelly, Christopher, Engineering Science, ‘Evaluation of Tissue Evolution after Myocardial Infarction: Correspondence of CMR Scans from Multiple Visits’
Kennedy, Matthew, Organic Chemistry, ‘Asymmetric Synthesis of Amino Polyols’
Lamb, Jessica, Inorganic Chemistry, ‘Unsymmetrical Group 4 Permethylindenyl Ansa-Metallocenes as Polymerisation Catalysts’
Lloyd, Jacob, English, ‘“forms of human pow’r”: Coleridge’s Political Poetics 1794–1802’
McCormick, Kirstie, Physiology, Anatomy and Genetics, ‘Intercellular Signalling in the Prostate Cancer Tumour Microenvironment: Implications for Disease Progression’
Meacock, Oliver, Life Sciences Interface (EPSRC CDT) – Zoology, ‘Collective Twitching Motility in Pseudomonas Aeruginosa and its Evolutionary Consequences’
Mendoza Suarez, Marcela, Plant Sciences, ‘A Molecular Toolkit for High-Throughput Identification of Competitive and Effective Rhizobial Strains’
Metcalfe, David, Musculoskeletal Sciences, ‘Improving Hip Fracture Outcomes Using Routinely Collected Health Data’
Nicholls, Christopher, Mathematics, ‘Descent Methods and Torsion on Jacobians of Higher Genus Curves’
Piedeleu, Robin, Computer Science, ‘Picturing Resources in Concurrency’
Prunkl, Carina, Philosophy, ‘The Scope of Thermodynamics’
Rayfield, Lucy, Medieval and Modern Languages, ‘“Sur le patron de plusieurs bons auteurs italiens”: Poetics, Performance and Politics in French Comic Theatre (1540–1580)’
Schafer, Vera, Atomic and Laser Physics, ‘Fast Gates and Mixed-Species Entanglement with Trapped Ions’
Spencer, Benjamin, Computer Science, ‘Bridging the Gap between JavaScript Analysis and Web Analysis’
Stace, Edward, Musculoskeletal Sciences, ‘Electrospun Scaffolds to Promote Tendon Tissue Regeneration in Rotator Cuff Tears’
Sury, Priya, Theology, ‘The Hungry Self: Biomedicine, Buddhism, and the Management of Craving’
Tracey, Daniel, Theory and Modelling in Chemical Sciences (EPSRC CDT), ‘Programming Patchy Particles to Form Complex Ordered Structures’
Vasudev Menon, Tushar, Philosophy, ‘The Dynamical Foundations of Physical Geometry’
Vaughan, Sam, Astrophysics, ‘A Study of Stellar Populations in the Last 5 Billion Years Using Integral Field Spectroscopy’
Vigolo, Federico, Mathematics, ‘Geometry of Actions, Expanders and Warped Cones’
White, Calum, History, ‘“The Foundations of the National Glory are in the Homes of the People”: The Addison Act, The First World War, and British Housing Policy’
Yamada, Norihiro, Computer Science, ‘Games as Mathematics of Logic and Computation’
Yang, Weiye, Mathematics, ‘Stochastic Analysis and Stochastic PDEs on Fractals’
Yiu, Wing Nam, Engineering Science, ‘Finite Element Analysis of Short-Term and Long-Term Building Response to Tunnelling’
Zheng, Yang, Engineering Science, ‘Chordal Sparsity in Control and Optimization of Large-scale Systems’

Other research degrees
Gregson, Rory, MPhil Law, ‘Is Non-Contractual Subrogation Part of the Law of Unjust Enrichment?’
Johnston, Katie, MPhil Law, ‘Derogation and the Scope of the jus cogens Norm in the jus ad bellum’
Koutentaki, Theodora, MPhil Law, ‘Systemic Risks of Exchange-Traded Funding and Implications Regulatory Policy’
Honours, appointments and awards

New Year Honours

Martin Taylor (1970), Vice Chairman of the Board, RTL Group and Member, Financial Policy Committee: Commander of the British Empire (CBE), for services to the economy

Professor John Birney FRS (1992) (known as Ewan), Joint Director, European Bioinformatics Institute: Commander of the British Empire (CBE), for services to Computational Genomics and Leadership across the life sciences

Professor John (Christopher) McCrudden (Junior Research Fellow in Law 1977–1980), Professor of Human Rights and Equality Law, Queen’s University Belfast: Commander of the British Empire (CBE), for services to human rights law

James Richardson (1985), Chief Economist, National Infrastructure Commission: Companion of the Order of the Bath (CB), for public service

Queen’s Birthday Honours

Richard Ovenden, Librarian, Bodleian Library (Professorial Fellow): Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE), for services to libraries and archives

Professor Peter Donnelly, FRS FMedSci (Balliol 1980 and Honorary Fellow), Chief Executive, Genomics plc, and Professor of Statistical Science, University of Oxford: Knighthood (Knight Bachelor), for services to the understanding of human genetics in disease

The Hon Sir Michael Burton, QC (Balliol 1965), President, Investigatory Powers Tribunal: Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the British Empire (GBE), for services to the rule of law

Ian Davis (Balliol 1969), Chairman, Rolls-Royce Holdings plc: Knighthood (Knight Bachelor), for services to business

Jane Edmondson (1979), Officer of the Order of the British Empire (OBE), for services to international development

Daniel Snow (Balliol 1998), Journalist, Historian and Presenter: Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE), for services to history

Honours

Hon John F. Godfrey (1965): appointed a Member of the Order of Canada (CM) for his commitment as a public servant and educator who has enriched Canada’s media landscape
Honorary degrees

Jonathan Meakins (Professorial Fellow and Nuffield Professor of Surgery 2002-2008): received the degree of Honorary Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*, from Western University in London, Ontario, Canada

Nick Trefethen (Professor of Numerical Analysis and Professorial Fellow): awarded honorary degrees by the Universites of Fribourg and Stellenbosch

Professor Jane Stapleton (1981 and Emeritus Fellow): awarded degree of Doctor of Laws (*honoris causa*) by the University of Adelaide in acknowledgement of distinguished service to the law in Australia, the United Kingdom and the United States

Other awards for Current Members

Senior Members

Lord Reed (1978 and Visitor): appointed President of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom


Ohad Kammar (Career Development Fellow): appointed University Research Fellow at the Royal Society; and received a Distinguished Paper Award at the Association for Computing Machinery’s annual Symposium on Principles of Programming Languages for a paper published in the *Proceedings of the ACM on Programming Languages*

Adam Nahum (2002 and Research Fellow in the Sciences): appointed University Research Fellow at the Royal Society

Vicky Neale (Whitehead Lecturer in Mathematics and Supernumerary Fellow): won a Suffrage Science award in a scheme run by Medical Research Council’s London Institute of Medical Sciences

The SCG-Oxford Centre of Excellence for Chemistry, founded by Dermot O’Hare (1978 and Professor of Chemistry, SCG Fellow and Tutor in Inorganic Chemistry): won the Industry-Academia Collaboration Award by the Royal Society of Chemistry for creating a unique and long-standing collaboration bringing benefits to chemical science

Emeritus and Honorary Fellows

Professor Jane Stapleton (1981 and Emeritus Fellow): received the John Fleming Prize in Tort Law, a biennial international award for outstanding contributions to the field
Emeritus Professor Oladapo Olujimi Akinkugbe (1962 and Honorary Fellow):
honoured with a Life Time Achievement Award by the Nigerian Healthcare
Excellence Award (NHEA) in Lagos
Professor Hagan Bayley (1970 and Honorary Fellow): won the Royal Society
Mullard Award

Graduates
Talita de Souza Dias: won the Journal of International Criminal Justice Prize
2018 for her article ‘The Retroactive Application of the Rome Statute in the
Cases of Security Council Referrals and Ad Hoc Declarations: An
Appraisal of Existing Solutions to an Under-discussed Problem’, 16 JICJ
(2018) 65–89
Mirela Ivanova: elected to be Junior Research Fellow in Medieval History at
University College, Oxford
Bernardo Ballesteros Petrella: awarded a Leverhulme Early Career Fellowship
at Oxford
Barbara Souza: awarded best poster prize at MOF 2018, an international
conference on Metal-Organic Frameworks (MOFs) and Open Framework
Compounds

Undergraduates
Arman Karshenas: won Best Therapeutics Project award and a gold medal
with an Oxford team in the International Genetically Engineered Machine
competition
Andreea-Maria Oncescu (Lubbock Scholar): won the runner-up prize in a
project poster competition held during the 45th Maurice Lubbock Memorial
Lecture on 22 May 2019
Jesse Sigal: won first prize in the undergraduate category of the Student
Research Competition (SRC) at the 2018 International Conference on
Functional Programming (ICFP)

Old Members are invited to send details of any honours, appointments
and awards they have received to newsandnotes@balliol.ox.ac.uk for
publication in Floreat Domus. Select achievements of Old Members are
included in ‘The Year in Review’ on page 37.
College Life
Library and Archives

Students’ Library
A recent trend in library usage is an increasing appreciation of libraries’ physical study spaces, and Balliol’s case would seem to bear this out. This year the average number of unique users per day during term time rose by 6 per cent to 149. This puts pressure on what are essentially medieval buildings, and the Library continues to manage this by working with the JCR to make sure that many of the study spaces are ‘hot desks’, clearing unattended belongings away to maximise potential usage.

Playing an active part in students’ experience is something on which the Library prides itself. It does this through providing training, events and support. Throughout the year Library staff have been offering drop-in sessions on information skills, backed up with online training videos. The staff have also been involved with English and History tutors in delivering classes to help students prepare their theses, including activities such as speed-dating with manuscripts.

But it’s not all study: the Halloween ghost story readings and the Christmas quiz have become fixtures. We also staged an exhibit to mark the centenary of the end of the 1914–1918 war, with readings by the Fellow Librarian, and a pop-up display of the first edition of *Poems, Chiefly in the Scottish Dialect* to mark Burns Night. Members of both the JCR and the MCR were invited to special openings to see items from the historic collections, many of which were suggested by the students themselves.

In terms of well-being the Library has provided space for the College Nurse to conduct mindfulness sessions. Our Early Career Librarian has been liaising with the JCR, the MCR and the OU Student Union to provide support services and equipment for those with access difficulties. Simple but popular initiatives she has introduced have been the provision of coloured overlays to help some readers, and a collection of self-help ’zines. We continue to provide jigsaw puzzles, origami materials, earplugs, and regular squash and biscuits, all in a bid to ease the strains of study and provide a welcoming environment.

Circulation and purchasing
Borrowing remains substantial, with 19,126 loans to the end of June. We rely heavily on help from Fellows and students to ensure that the stock retains currency, and we are very grateful for their input: indeed this is a key means of engaging with our members. During the year we have added 994 titles, of which 351 were requested by Junior Members.
Staffing
There has been one key arrival this year: our new Archivist, Bethany Hamblen. Bethany, originally from Connecticut, previously worked at Hereford Cathedral Archives and for Worcestershire Archives. She has already had a transformative impact on the managing of the Archives, with ideas for a new management system and online catalogue. The Library also hosted two work experience placements: a summer project for a member of the JCR, and two weeks at Easter for a Syrian refugee seeking to pursue a career in the library sector.

Exhibitions
A major exhibition at the Historic Collections Centre took place in Michaelmas: Reconstructing Nicholas Crouch, which built on the work of the recent Wellcome Trust-funded project to catalogue and conserve the library of a 17th-century physician, Fellow and administrator. The exhibition opened with a dedicated cross-disciplinary research day at the English Faculty, at which academics, librarians and conservators reviewed the outcomes of the project and suggested avenues for further research. After the formal sessions, delegates
Reconstructing Nicholas Crouch

Cataloguing and conserving a seventeenth-century library

An exhibition held at
BALLIOL COLLEGE
HISTORIC COLLECTIONS CENTRE
ST CROSS CHURCH, OXFORD
8 & 9 September 2018
sampled goods baked to 17th-century recipes and viewed the exhibition, where they could also try calligraphy in inks made from natural dyes as recorded by Crouch. The summer exhibition, *Balliol in Europe, Europe in Balliol*, opened for Trinity Term and examined the links between the College and the Continent, from Balliol to Boris (Johnson, 1983).

**Historic collections**

Interest in the historic collections remains high with 391 enquiries in the year, leading to 144 research visits. Beyond these we’ve hosted a variety of groups, events and teaching sessions in St Cross Church. We’ve seen the Oxford Records Society hold its AGM in the space and enjoy a display of choice items from the Archives. We’ve hosted a session for year-10 school students on 17th-century books using our 2nd Folio of Shakespeare, and we’ve provided repeat sessions on historical methodology for Stephanie Solywoda, Director of the Stanford Overseas Studies Centre in Oxford; on early printing and book production for students on the BA Publishing Media at Oxford Brookes University and on early printed books for Natalya Din-Kariuki (2009). Theological students from Wycliffe Hall practised their funeral sermons in the centre in Hilary Term. For Balliol students we’ve collaborated on sessions introducing English students to medieval manuscripts with Helen Appleton (Career Development Fellow in Old and Early Medieval English), and to early printed English Bibles with Adam Smyth (Professor of English Literature and the History of the Book, A.C. Bradley–J.C. Maxwell Fellow and Tutor in English Literature), who also initiated a class on the annotation and adaptation of Nicholas Crouch’s books for MSt students. The public has been welcomed to exhibition openings (we also participated in the annual Open Doors Oxford event) and to a special display of 15th-century printed books as part of an Oxford-wide incunabula day.

To accommodate all this the Historic Collections Centre has seen its furnishings updated and now boasts smart new fabric-backed stacking chairs and folding tables, so that it can be easily set up in differing configurations for a variety of events.

We still purchase items of historic interest to Balliol and this year we’ve stretched to Swinburne’s (1856) own copy of the first printing (1899) of Thomas Nashe’s erotic *Choise of Valentines Or the Merie Ballad of Nash His Dildo*; the first published work of Cyril Connolly (1922), a verse appreciation of dress entitled *The Mirror of Fashion* (1927), with attractive ‘scissor-cuts’ by Ada Steiner; a first English edition of Nietzsche which travelled to the
Western Front with Arthur Graeme Wes (1910); and, for our alumni section, notable works by Peter Quennell (1923), Arnold Lunn (1907) and Joseph MacLeod (1922). Conservation work continues across our historic collections, a primary focus this year being a pilot project to conserve one of the many water-damaged and friable buttery books in the Archives.

Stewart Tiley (Librarian)

Gifts of publications by College Members


T. Carver (1968): *Marx*, 2018

M. Chisholm (1973): *The Guardians*, 2018; *Crow Time*, 2018; *Puck’s Song*, 2018

M. Conway (Professor of Contemporary European History, MacLellan-Warburg Fellow and Tutor in History): ed. (with Pieter Lagrou and Henry Rousso) *Europe’s Postwar Periods – 1989, 1945, 1918*, 2019


E. Dommen (1957): *Poudre d’Or*, 2018

D. Faber (1980): (contributor) *Half In, Half Out*, 2018


C. Jessel (1964): *Positive Covenants and Freehold Land*, 2019


S. Loving (1980): *Visible Ink*, 2018

O. Murray (Emeritus Fellow): *The Symposium: Drinking Greek Style*, 2018
A. Smyth (Professor of English Literature and the History of the Book, J.C. Maxwell Fellow and Tutor in English Literature): *13 March 1911*, 2019

**Other gifts**

Further welcome gifts were made by: Lady Bridget Brooke; L. Brockliss; N. Coles (1957); L. Dennison; editors of *Essays in Criticism*; English Heritage; J. Forder (Fellow and Tutor in Political Economy); D. Griffith (1966); The Howard Foundation Trustees; Alan James (1962); John Godley Robert Memorial Trust; W. Kroeger on behalf of the editors of *Oxford Research in English*; London Rowing Club; D. MacDonald; J. MacKay; S. Marriott; J. Mitchell; S. Perry (Professor of English Literature, Massey Fellow, Tutor in English, and Fellow Librarian); A. Pollock Renck; Reed College Library; J. Robson; D. Rundle; Savile Club; R. Thomas (Dyson-Macgregor Fellow, Jowett Lecturer and Tutor in Ancient History); K. Titov (2011); J. Vickers; B. Willan; D. Zancani (Emeritus Fellow)
Chapel

Dear readers, I am very pleased to tell you that Balliol’s Chapel has continued to flourish for another year, under the leadership of our Chaplain, the Reverend Canon Bruce Kinsey, and the Pastoral Associates, the Reverend Professor Judith Brown (Emeritus Fellow) and the Reverend Alex Popescu (1994). The Choir was directed by the Senior Organ Scholar, Joseph Barber, and the new Junior Organ Scholar, Yasar Cohen-Shah. Bruce has been very ably assisted by Sarah Twinn, Chaplain’s and Dean’s Secretary, and I am very grateful to her for her help with arranging the readings each week. The Chaplain’s Advisory Committee consisted of the two Organ Scholars, Anna Parsons, Jedidiah Andrew, Eloise Hamilton, Claire Hill, Lois Ogunlana, Reuben Sharp, Lucy Swift and myself.

We began the year with an inspiring visit from Kristina Arriaga de Bucholz, an expert on religious freedom and a senior advisor to the American government. Ms Arriaga preached at the first Evensong of Michaelmas Term, reminding us all of the importance of our responsibilities to others and our need to empathise. A few weeks later, Balliol joined Trinity College for our annual All Saints Day service, held this year in Trinity’s Chapel. Around the middle of term, the College remembered its sons from Britain, the Commonwealth and Germany who gave their lives in both World Wars, in a moving Remembrance Day service. The Master and members of College read out the names of the Balliol dead to mark the centenary of the Armistice, and this was followed by bell-ringing as part of the national commemorations. At the end of a busy term, with the days growing colder and longer, the College held a magnificent Carol Service which was, as usual, full to capacity, and which was a wonderful start to the festive season.

Shortly after Hilary Term began, the College marked World Holocaust Day with a service conducted partly in Hebrew, as well as a moving address from Foundation Fellow Dame Stephanie Shirley CH DBE. Dame Stephanie, who adopted the name Steve in the business world, came to the UK as a child in the Kindertransport, fleeing Nazi Germany. She told the congregation about her early fears, both of the Nazis and of settling in to life in a strange and new country. We also heard about her life in England and the start of her career in information technology when it was just developing in the 1970s and 80s. The middle of term saw the Choir sing at the Joint Evensong in the University Church with a number of other college choirs. Towards the end of term, we once again joined Trinity for a Shrove Tuesday service in Balliol Chapel. This
was followed by obligatory pancakes in the Old Common Room, which were much enjoyed by all.

Trinity Term was a very important one for the Chapel. It began with the return of our 16th-century stained-glass window behind the altar from our friends at the York Glaziers Trust, who have done a brilliant job, highlighting aspects of the glass previously unknown. Professor John Jones, Emeritus Fellow and College historian, provided the College website with a detailed description of the work done. Mid-term was punctuated by three events: lovely May Morning madrigals from the Salvin Tower, a Choir formal dinner in the Old Common Room, and a joint service with Trinity College. The latter half of term saw the exam season dawning, and we hope that the Chapel provided a calm and peaceful environment for anyone who wished to use it. At the end of term a Reunion Evensong was held on Sunday 16 June. Some 30 alumni from several generations, including former Organ Scholars, returned to Chapel to mark the end of Joe’s four years as Organ Scholar and joined the regular Choir for this very significant occasion.

I’d like to conclude this report by expressing much gratitude and thanks to the Chaplain and the Pastoral Associates, the Chaplain’s Secretary, our Junior Organ Scholar and above all to our outgoing Senior Organ Scholar, Joseph Barber, for his dedication to our Chapel and Choir, and for his generous

Chapel Secretary
Armaan Genomal
(centre) with former Chapel Secretaries
acceptance of all our musical errors! We wish him all the very best in his graduate career in another college of the University.

Armaan Genomal, Chapel Secretary

Chapel Choir

All people that on Earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice

The choir stalls were full of many new faces and voices for the first Evensong of Michaelmas Term, but any individual nervousness which might be expected of someone joining a new group was soon dispelled. For from the very start of the year, Chapel music has flourished. The social cohesion of the choir was reflected in the quality of singing throughout Michaelmas, which reached its peak at the Christmas/Advent Carol Service, when the substantial choir sang some favourite Christmas anthems to a congregation that packed the Chapel and sang the carols most raucously. The following weekend, the choir raised money for The Porch Steppin’ Stone (a charity for the homeless) by singing carols during the Christmas arts market on Broad Street.

Besides the usual weekly Sunday Evensong, this year has seen many extra choral events both in and outside College. These included our termly joint services with the choir of Trinity College for All Saints Day, Shrove Tuesday, and the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Perhaps the grandest occasion of Hilary Term was the intercollegiate service at the University Church of St Mary the Virgin, where the Balliol choir joined choirs from about a dozen other colleges to sing music including Wood’s ‘O Thou the Central Orb’ and Stanford’s ‘God and the Universe’.

Trinity Term saw the usual springtime festivities that one associates with the brief period of bliss before exams. On 1 May, the choir sang some favourite Renaissance madrigals from the Salvin Tower to a very appreciative audience. At the end of a term that included much joyful music for the Easter period, the choral year was rounded off with a spectacular reunion and leavers’ service. Around thirty former choir members from many generations joined the regular choir in singing such beautiful works as Rheinberger’s Abendlied, and classics such as Stanford’s Canticles in B Flat, and Parry’s much-loved ‘I Was Glad’. The perhaps slightly over-enthusiastic singing of ‘Guide Me O Thou Great Redeemer’ was the perfect way to end a successful year.

As I come to the end of my four years as Organ Scholar at Balliol, there are countless people to thank for making Chapel music such a resounding success and a socially vibrant phenomenon. Not least, my gratitude goes
to Bruce Kinsey (Chaplain/Wellbeing and Welfare Officer) for his tireless support, endless wisdom and delightful humour. I would also like to thank Sarah Twinn (Chaplain’s Secretary) and the Chapel Committee for their efforts and dedication in overseeing the minute details of Chapel life, making sure services and other occasions run smoothly. We are all hugely grateful to Yasar Cohen-Shah, our Junior (soon to be Senior) Organ Scholar, who has done a superb job in his first year and has been a delight to work with; I am sure Chapel music will continue to flourish under his direction. Last, but certainly not least, my eternal thanks go to the choir themselves, for their talent, dedication and sociable nature, which has given the choir a reputation as the most welcoming in Oxford, and has made them an absolute delight to work with.

Joe Barber, Senior Organ Scholar
Preachers in Chapel

**Michaelmas Term 2018**
Kristina Arriaga de Bucholz, Commissioner, United States Commission on International Religious Freedom
Revd Susannah Reide, Chaplain, Harris Manchester College
Revd Dave Bell, Vicar, Benefice of Silsoe, Flitton and Pulloxhill
Revd Professor Judith Brown (Emeritus Fellow)
Revd Dr John Binns, Visiting Professor, Institute for Orthodox Christian Studies, Cambridge
Very Revd Oswald McBride OSB, Prior and Chaplain, St Benet’s Hall, Oxford

**Hilary Term 2019**
The Chaplain
Revd Dr John Gillibrand, Vicar, Benefice of Llandeilo Tal-y-bont (Pontarddulais)
Dame Stephanie Shirley (Foundation Fellow)
Revd Dr Alex Popescu (1994)
Revd Professor Judith Brown (Emeritus Fellow)
Revd Lydia Cook, Rector, Okeford Benefice
The Chaplain

**Trinity Term 2019**
The Chaplain
Revd Dr George Westhaver, Principal of Pusey House
Revd Dr Alex Popescu (1994)
Father James Lawson, Vice Principal and Charles Marriot Director of Pastoral Studies, St Stephen’s House
Revd Professor Judith Brown (Emeritus Fellow)
Revd Jeremy Parsons, Rector, St Edmund Way Benefice
Revd Paul King (1958)
The Chaplain

**Christenings**
Benjamin Gills, son of Jacqueline Gills (Conference and Events Manager) and Timothy Gills, 5 May 2019

**Marriages**
Christian Hansen (2002) and Joanna O’Brien, 4 October 2018
David Thomson (2007) and Natasha Baird, 15 December 2018
Elizabeth Mumford (2008) and Simon Wan (2007), 11 August 2018
Sebastian Farquhar (2008) and Leah Broad, 18 August 2018

**Service of prayer and dedication after a civil marriage**
Kris Hendrata (2018) and Megan Ruskin, 22 September 2018

**Memorial services**
Julia Hore (Fellow Commoner), 15 January 2019
Thanksgiving Service for Sligger and the Chalet des Anglais on the 150th anniversary of the birth of Francis Fortescue Urquhart (1890 and Fellow 1896–1934), 9 September 2018

Elizabeth Mumford and Simon Wan on their wedding day at Balliol.
Middle Common Room

The Middle Common Room has once again flourished and remained a hub of intellectual curiosity, mutual support and unique community spirit.

This year has been filled with intellectually inspiring occasions in the MCR. Certainly, one of the academic highlights was the honour of hosting Dame Helen Ghosh (Master) at our traditional Praefectus’ Seminar. In her talk, the Master put Brexit in its historical context and illuminated its relationship to the electoral process in a way that was entertaining and accessible to politicians, scientists and historians alike. Once again, the life sciences made a very visible appearance at Balliol, at the MCR Life Sciences Symposium, organised by Claire Hill, Lois Ogunlana, Lexi Lang and Sophie Hughes: current Balliol DPhil students gave talks on various fascinating topics in a relaxed, yet stimulating atmosphere, facilitating cross-disciplinary intellectual exchanges between the graduate students. For the first time in Balliol history, we hosted a PubPhD session, which encompassed short talks by current DPhil students in our beloved Megaron Bar – a very welcome marriage of academia and leisure: many thanks to Shamir Montazid for organising it. Our traditional series of Lady Dervorguilla seminars had its highlight with an extremely engaging talk on sex-selective abortion by Dr Kate Greasley (Fellow of Hertford College), who was invited by this year’s Women’s Officer, Harriet Lester. The year’s sequence of intellectual peaks concluded with the third Festival of Ideas at the Ditchley Foundation, organised by a committee of Balliol graduates (many thanks to Natalie Hill and Geoffrey Winters in particular). The theme of this year’s festival was ‘Future Human: Future Self’ and the occasion brought together outstanding graduates, postgraduates and early career professionals to engage with ideas and to debate how we intend to act in the world, and how individual and group choices affect our future.

The MCR has once again proudly upheld our College’s values of equality, social responsibility and mutual respect. It has continued to collect contributions towards the refugee scholarship fund, which supports a refugee student in studying for an undergraduate degree at Oxford. As is tradition, the graduate community decided to donate its bop revenues and its special levies to charity – this year to Against Malaria Foundation, Médicins Sans Frontières, Oxford Food Bank and Friends of the Earth. In times of ever-rising environmental concerns, our college made an exemplary big step this year by moving towards more sustainable food sources in Hall and by following through on a motion to support fossil fuel divestment. Both initiatives were carried out
in collaboration with the JCR, the MCR side being headed up tirelessly by MCR’s Environmental Officer, Irina Herb. Importantly, our Welfare Officers, Lois Ogunlana and Leonor Aidos, have together with the Minorities Officer (Asha Banerjee), LGBTQ+ Officer (Aaron Hughes) and Disabilities Officer (Charlotte Kelly) provided a strong support network for their peers.

In many ways, it has been a pivotal year for the MCR’s internal affairs. One of the most challenging projects has been the ongoing Master’s Field Project, which will provide additional graduate accommodation and replace the Martin and Dellal buildings over the coming years. The first group of graduate students moved into a shiny new building in April. This remarkable logistical challenge was handled in a masterly way, with an immense investment of time, by MCR Vice-President, Angharad Jones Buxton. Similarly, the move, logistics and planning would not have been possible without the Praefectus, Professor Thomas Melham – and the graduate community would like to thank him for his continuing support with this and with all other matters concerning Balliol’s graduates. Many changes have been made to the constitutional and operational affairs within the MCR itself, which aim to reinforce community spirit and cohesiveness between the graduates and to accommodate the changing needs of the community, as its composition has evolved over the
last decade. Additionally, we completed several domestic makeovers, which include a new set of velvet curtains decorating our magnificent MCR and a brand-new BBQ in the Holywell Manor garden.

Of course, the MCR upheld its other dearly treasured values with social events. This year’s social team organised a remarkably dense and entertaining programme, including whisky tastings and the most memorable bops of Oxford, and much of its success is thanks to our dedicated social secretaries, Hannah Tillim, Stephanie Gaglione and Caitlin O’Brien-Ball. We had the great pleasure of celebrating 40 years of women at Balliol College with a drinks and nibbles reception in our very own Holywell Manor garden at an event organised by Harriet Lester. Without doubt the big finale in the social calendar was the annual MCR Garden Party, which brings together leavers and alumni, current graduates and friends alike to celebrate the achievements of the year, solidify friendships and make plans for the future. This year the theme was a creative mix of Venetian Carnival, salsa dancing lessons and traditional black tie, which – thanks to the tremendous efforts of Eleanor Kerkfoot, Gaurav Agarwal and their team – gave us a marvellous night to remember.

Ultimately, thanks to its members, the MCR can look back on a successful, memorable and thoroughly enjoyable year, and I look forward to following its future developments as a proud member of this wonderful community.

Roman Rothaermel, MCR President
Junior Common Room

One of the highlights of this year was the long-anticipated renovation of the JCR itself over the Hilary vacation. Thanks to generous alumni support, the Norway Room is now in a much better state than it was previously, with new furniture and fresh paint. The number of would-be students who spoke positively about the JCR across the two July Open Days is a measure of the renovation’s success (although I heard one prospective applicant describe it as ‘not very bohemian’).

The JCR has been active on the access front, working with the College’s Outreach Officer, Pravahi Osman, on a number of access-related initiatives. JCR members worked as Student Ambassadors at outreach events throughout the year, including the July Open Days, which were very well attended. Meanwhile, the JCR’s Access Officers have been working hard to update the alternative prospectus. The current version is five years out of date, so developing a new one to help us to show off the best of Balliol is a priority.

The JCR’s Environmental Officers, Bee Boileau and Michael Beattie, were instrumental in persuading the College’s Executive Head Chef, Bertrand Faucheux, to increase the amount of vegetarian food served in Hall, while Balliol’s divestment campaign, led by Fergus Green, has been actively pushing for the adoption of a sustainable investment strategy by the College. Both of these initiatives were carried out in close collaboration with the MCR. A number of JCR members marched in solidarity with striking school students in Oxford; others have been active in the University-wide Climate Justice Campaign and the Climate Society.
Our fundraising efforts this year have been very successful. Between them, the charity auction and the charity musical raised almost £3,000 – one of the highest sums in recent years. The charity musical, entitled *Julius Caesar*, was a particular success, although its relation to the Shakespearean source material was loose (to say the least). We have also contributed to charitable causes via optional levies, including the Rose Hill Primary School and the Monday Club.

Each year we have either a garden party or a ball, and this year it was time for a ball. It was later than in previous years, taking place in 9th Week, which meant that the College was buzzing with workless students in late June – a rare and wonderful occurrence. Attractions at the ball included a casino in Hall, laser tag in the JCR and a mini-golf course in the Fellows’ Garden as well as three bars, six food stalls and an outpost of the coffee shop Missing Bean. On the main stage, covered by a marquee that looked like a fragment of the Sydney Opera House, a number of bands played throughout the night until a silent disco at 2.00am. I think I can safely say that the Ball was an overwhelming success. Much fun was had by all; there were no major hitches and no ambulances were required. We thank Rishem Khattar, Ball President, and her committee for their exceptional work. They will be a very tough act to follow.

We’ve had a number of individual sporting successes. Leah Mitchell and Grace Joel were both on the winning Varsity team in lightweight rowing. Charlotte Lee was a reserve on the team and she also coxed the Oxford lightweight team to victory at the British University Championships. Ella
Sharrock and Sophie Haldane won half-blues in, respectively, cross-country and athletics; Alex Gruen once again received a full blue in athletics; Fergus Proctor got a blue in basketball; and Josh Penollar captained the University’s third Varsity football team to victory.

As always, Balliol has maintained a presence in the life of the wider University. There are many University society presidents at Balliol, perhaps more than at any other college: the Physics, Biology, LGBTQ+, International Development, International Relations, PPE, Polish, German, Climate, and Music societies are among those that have been headed by Balliolites over the past year. The activist group Common Ground has its unofficial headquarters at Balliol, while University magazines or newspapers such as The ISIS, Cherwell and The Oxford Scientist have had Balliol JCR members in senior roles. We are, then, an outward-facing college with fingers in many pies.

As well as the highlights of the past year, I should mention some of the regular events that make Balliol the community it is. These include life drawing classes, welfare teas, croquet tournaments, bops, film nights, halfway Hall and the women’s formal, music nights in the bar, yoga in the Buttery and comedy improv nights in the JCR. Over the next year, we’re hoping to run even more of these events as well as larger ones, including a sports day with our Cambridge sister college, St John’s. I hope that you will wish us the best of luck when we go up against them in November.

Michael O’Connor, President
Clubs, societies and sports

BME

Balliol’s new BME society, founded to provide a community for the students from ethnic minority backgrounds, has had an immensely successful first year. Through a highly active Facebook group where members can share articles, College and university-wide events, plays and symposia related to race and racism, we have seen membership and interest in what the society has to offer increase throughout the year.

Our primary focus has been to organise social events to unite students from all year groups through food and shared experiences; we have also set out to provide a good foundation for the continuation and expansion of the society in years to come. The society’s first event took the form of a cultural food potluck where each member provided a dish representative of their respective culture. This offered a direct route into productive discussions about heritage, race, politics and religion against a backdrop of delicious food and great music. Many students remarked that it was the first time they had been able to have such open and relatable discussions about the minority experience during their time at Oxford.

As a result of the success of the Michaelmas social, we repeated the format in Hilary but also invited BME students from Trinity, St John’s, Pembroke and
Magdalen, in order to widen intercollegiate connections and to advocate to other colleges the benefits of a society for minority students that is separate from the JCR welfare role. For our final event of the year we organised a picnic in Back Quad where we celebrated both our first year as a society and the achievements of individual members, be that in exam, extra-curricular or social contexts. We end the year with almost fifty members and we are eager to welcome the next year’s Freshers into Balliol’s thriving BME community.

Andi Marsh, President

Bruce’s Brunch

It has been another successful year for Bruce’s Brunch, with a varied and diverse programme of wonderful talks, focusing this year on topics relevant to the spirit of the Balliol community, in an attempt to broaden the range of subjects for discussion.

To begin the academic year we were joined by Balliol’s Student Counsellor, Dr Kam Dhillon, in conversation with Bruce. Other Michaelmas Term speakers included Professor Alan Barr, who spoke on his work at the Large Hadron Collider searching for dark matter; and Professor E.J. Milner-Gulland, speaking about conservation and the illegal wildlife trade. An undisputed highlight of the year was the talk by Professor Diane Purkiss on the history of bread and why English bread is not as good as French bread – she even baked a loaf for us to try!

Hilary Term started off brilliantly with a talk from Dr Sudhir Hazareesingh (1981 and Fellow and Tutor in Politics) on his research on Toussaint L’Ouverture and the Haitian slave revolution; and it continued with excellent talks by Dr John Blakinger on funding controversies in the arts, and Dr Anna Beer, who spoke passionately about the forgotten women of classical music history and the importance of re-centring them in the cannon. Further highlights of the year included a talk by Dr Daniel Butt (Robert Maxwell Fellow and Tutor in Political Theory) on radical reparations and especially what we owe as a college community; Professor Frederico Varese’s talk on his book Mafia Life, written from first-hand interviews and wiretapped conversations with people right at the heart of such organisations; and Dr Simukai Chigudu, who spoke about the Rhodes Must Fall movement and Oxford’s colonial links.

We are incredibly thankful to Bruce Kinsey (Chaplain/Wellbeing and Welfare Officer) for his support, guidance, and flapjacks – we could not have managed without him! We are also very grateful for the support of the previous convenors and Bruce’s Secretary, Sarah Twinn. The convenors for
the upcoming year are Nino Tsouloukidse and Jonathan Kabel, and we wish them every success.

Sarah Duffy and Daniel Gonzales, convenors

Cerberus

This has been an eventful year for Balliol’s burgeoning PPE community, which currently comprises a whopping 43 undergraduates. Michaelmas kicked off the year with the much-loved annual PPE formal, which saw students across the years and tutors come together for a highly enjoyable evening of exquisite food and enough wine to keep everyone merry.

Later on in the year we welcomed the University’s 2019 John Locke Lecturer, Philip Pettit, L.S. Rockefeller University Professor of Politics and Human Values at Princeton University and Distinguished University Professor of Philosophy at the Australian National University, Canberra, who gave a fascinating talk on how best to conceptualise democracy. Cerberus also had the pleasure of hosting Professor David Miller (1967), Professor of Political Theory, Nuffield College, who gave a talk on the value of self-determination, which was followed by formal Hall. The Q&A was the most well informed I had ever witnessed – one student had even read part of the manuscript of one of Miller’s forthcoming books, much to his surprise!

Cerberus has also been busy organising socials, subject teas and structured support for the younger years. A picnic on the Garden Quad to discuss subject choices for the PPE Freshers was a lovely opportunity for second-years to chat and share advice with Freshers. A new Facebook page (@CerberusPPE) has been set up to advertise events and a logo created, which should stand the society in good stead in future years. And most importantly of all, the long-awaited stash has finally arrived! To decide on the item of clothing, a two-round French-style voting system was carried out – typical PPEists . . .

Becky Clark, Triarch

Climbers

Balliol Climbers have had an excellent year. Members competed in two major competitions, there were socials with other college climbing clubs, the club ordered some new branded jumpers, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves!

Eager to dip their feet into the uncharted waters of competitive climbing, Tommy Matthews and Fergus Green headed to Sheffield to BUCS (British Universities & Colleges Sport), a meeting of some of the country’s finest university-level climbers in a gruelling test of skill, strength and focus.
Competitors have three hours to attempt 25 problems over a range of difficulty and style, with more points being awarded for fewer attempts to top out. Tommy and Fergus both delivered a solid middle-of-the-table performance. Perhaps next year, under the tuition of two-time World Cup attendee Nadav Gropper (Mansfield College), they might produce the higher scores they know themselves to be capable of.

Additionally, five Balliol climbers descended on London to enter this year’s Varsity competition. Competitors were given two hours to complete 30 challenging climbs, set so that many of the routes would be unclimbed by all competitors.

Balliol MCR members Barbora Sojkova and Stephanie Gaglione finished joint second, despite Steph suffering an injury part way through and having to sit out. Unfortunately, this wasn’t enough for the team competition, and when the scores were combined Cambridge’s women’s team was triumphant. In the men’s field the outcome was reversed: Felix Peterken finished fifth in the field, and second best in the Oxford team, which ensured that Oxford won overall. Special mention goes to regular climbing partnership Tommy and Fergus for matching each other’s scores to show that they’d never leave the other behind.
The club is going on its annual outdoor trip in July. It will be a great week of climbing; training indoors can never deliver the same experience as rock! There are plans to increase the club’s equipment next year to allow for the organisation of regular outdoor trips.

*Harry Fox, Captain*

**Dervorguilla Society**

The Dervorguilla Society (history society) of Balliol continued strongly this year, enjoying the company of both noted guests and one another.

During Hilary Term we hosted Professor Rana Mitter (Professor of the History and Politics of Modern China, St Cross College), packing out the room with students from across the University eager to hear him speak on the topic of ‘China’s Wartime Past, and How It Shapes Asia Today’. Our significant contingent of orientalist historians particularly enjoyed the opportunity to quiz him during the event, and to carry on discussions during our annual dinner in Hall immediately afterwards – an exciting occasion attended by the History Fellows also.

In Trinity Term Professor Margaret MacMillan (Professor of International History and former Warden of St Antony’s College) came to discuss the Paris Peace Conference on its centenary, leaving many of the undergraduates swung by her rather counter-traditional proposition that Versailles was not in fact the primary cause of the Second World War. Once more the appeal of the society’s events went beyond just historians, attracting people from across the Balliol community, even those studying PPE.

Also during Trinity Term we hosted ‘A History of History at Balliol’, when Old Members David Gilmour (1971) and Simon Mayall (1975) came to discuss their memories of undergraduate life at Balliol in the years of Richard Cobb (Fellow 1962–1972, Honorary Fellow 1977–1996) and Maurice Keen (Fellow and Tutor in Modern History 1961–2000, Emeritus Fellow 2000–2012) – two much-loved history tutors. Attended by Fellows, undergraduates, postgraduates, and the great and good of Balliol’s history alumni, the event was much enjoyed by all, and it was a historic opportunity for the entire Balliol history community to come together and share their experiences.

A busy year, but certainly an enriching one for Dervorguilla!

*Thomas Laver, Lady Dervorguilla (President)*
Drama Society and the Michael Pilch Studio

The Balliol College Drama Society has had an incredibly busy year. It began with two Balliol teams devising a drama and performing in the OUDS Cuppers event in Michaelmas (a showcase designed to help Freshers get involved in the Oxford drama scene), at which both teams received nominations for the overall awards.

This year has also seen the BCDS-run Michael Pilch Studio host over 20 hugely varied student productions. These included the sellout Balliol Charity Musical, a hilarious retelling of Caesar’s rule; *I'm an Improviser – Get Me Out of Here!*; another sellout success from The House of Improv; a gender-blind reworked production of Middleton and Dekker’s 16th-century *The Roaring Girl*; and *I Punched a Nazi (((and I Liked It)))*, a Brecht-inspired piece of new writing that involved audience members being forced to navigate their way through a host of moral dilemmas. Several of the shows that debuted in the theatre are heading off on national tours or to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival – for which we wish them great success.

The space itself has continued to develop, with technical renovations taking place throughout the year, led by the outgoing and current committee and facilitated by the generosity of Balliol, OUDS (Oxford University Drama Society), TAFF (Oxford University Theatre Technicians and Designers) and the current University Drama Officer. Further renovations are scheduled to take place over the summer vacation, ahead of another exciting year of theatre!

Alice Lavelle, President

Gordouli

The Gordouli has had another successful year celebrating Balliol sporting achievement in typical style. A trip to the College Archives in Michaelmas Term revealed a fascinating wealth of historical records relating to the Gordouli and the Boat Club; thanks to Early Career Librarian Amy Boylan for all her assistance. Among the finds was an invitation to a gathering from 1969, which inspired a 50th-anniversary imitation at the end of Hilary Term, where it was lovely to see so many current members and recent alumni.

In Summer Eights, the men’s 1st VIII were disappointed to miss out on the chance to use Gordouli blades, finishing ninth on the river. However, it was wonderful to see the women’s 1st VIII return to division 1 after a brief spell away. We welcomed several new members from the men’s and women’s boats, as well as current students with full- and half-Blues in other sports.
At the end of Trinity, the Gordouli races between current rowers and alumni proved to be as entertaining as ever, with three coxed fours fielded. The alumni, though brave in their efforts, were unable to overcome the mighty 2nd IV of current rowers. Dinner followed in the evening, where Jonathan Martin was announced as next year’s Admiral. I was particularly delighted that Jo Plats-Mills (1957) was able to join us for the day: it was a pleasure hearing about the club from years gone by.

*William Wathey, Admiral*

**Medical Society**

The Balliol Medical Society (BMS) has hosted two successful events this academic year: our annual dinner and the Wurtman Seminars. Both brought together current students from a range of backgrounds and levels of study, tutors and alumni, all united by an interest in medicine.

At the annual BMS dinner we had the privilege of hearing from two fantastic speakers, Melissa Holloway (2001) and Dr Calliope Dendrou (Sir Henry Dale Fellow and Research Fellow in the Sciences). Melissa Holloway delivered a compelling talk about the technologies available to individuals with diabetes, and how the field is developing. This provided an introduction to the entrepreneurial and technological sides to medicine, which continue to grow in importance. Calliope Dendrou’s insightful talk focused on her research into autoimmune disease, specifically in recognising the clinical utility of targeting specific genes in order to treat disease. After these wonderful talks the BMS was treated to a dinner in the SCR Dining Room, giving students the opportunity to pick the brains of alumni (and perhaps vice versa too!). Following dinner our new Senior Member, Dr Lisa Walker (Fellow in Medical
Sciences, tutor and head of pre-clinical medicine here at Balliol), gave a lovely talk before handing over to representatives from each year, who said a few words about their experiences at the College.

The Wurtman Seminars were held at the end of the Hilary Term to allow the third-year medical and biomedical sciences students to practise for their Final Honour Schools research project \textit{viva} presentations. The winning presentations were given by Charlotte Lee and Benjamin Walker.

On both occasions, it was discussed how BMS might become a more active community throughout the year (not just as the dinner and seminars), by better connecting current students with alumni in order to encourage communication and potential collaboration. Following subsequent discussions, it is clear that this mission is both achievable and appealing to BMS members. However, building on this momentum to create a community remains a challenge for the incoming presidents next year, so any help (not financial!) from alumni would be incredibly valuable: if you are an alumnus/a with an interest or career in medicine, please get in touch by emailing benjamin.walker@balliol.ox.ac.uk.

Thank you to all the College staff who have helped us this year: the Development Office, the Hall staff and Porters, the Dean and the Master. And finally thank you to our Senior Member, Lisa Walker, for her help, and to all our members, for their continued support.

\textit{Benjamin Walker, President}

\section*{Musical Society}

The Balliol Musical Society started off its concert series on a high note with a fantastic piano recital given by Sir András Schiff (Special Supernumerary Fellow). The rest of the year saw a selection of great performers visit Balliol.

In Michaelmas, the pianist Lara Melda gave a concert of Liszt and Chopin, and the Endellion Quartet continued their residency at Balliol, performing string quartets by Haydn, Bartók and Smetana.

In Hilary Term, the Musical Society hosted the Pavao Quartet, who played quartets by Schubert, Vrebalov and Ravel, and the pianists Colin Stone and Valentin Schiedermair. Colin performed Busoni’s arrangement of Bach’s Chaconne in D minor for solo violin, as well as pieces by Schumann and Rachmaninov; Valentin played pieces by a large selection of composers including Bach, Debussy, Berg, and Valentin himself.

In Trinity Term, violin–piano duo Sara Trickey and Dan Tong performed sonatas by Mozart, Schubert and Franck. Pianist Mishka Momen closed
off the concert series with a stunning recital featuring music by Beethoven, Janáček, Brahms and others.

In addition to hosting this wonderful collection of performers, the Musical Society put on three Members’ Concerts, with performances given by students and friends of the College, which featured a wonderfully diverse range of music from Schubert Lieder to indie rock.

Ilya Shemmer, General Secretary

Men’s rowing

The men had a promising start to the year for both the returning seniors and the novice squad. We began Michaelmas Term with our seniors competing in Autumn Fours, a regatta on the Isis, where we raced a number of colleges to win the final by over a length. The novices meanwhile competed in New College Indoor Regatta, winning the event and setting themselves up strongly for both the Nephthys and Christ Church Regattas. Overall at Christ Church Regatta all crews showed a very strong performance, with MA and MB making the fourth and third rounds respectively. MA narrowly missed out on a spot in finals day, while MC rowed admirably against Corpus A, losing out on a place in the second round.

Hilary Term saw the novices merging with the seniors, which meant a much less experienced squad overall. We therefore entered Henley Fours and Eights, giving those hoping to compete in M1 a great chance to get some race experience ahead of Torpids. Here we entered two eights, both of which competed admirably in difficult positions on the river, with M1 holding position at eighth.

After an intense training camp in Hungary we began Trinity Term driven to make the most of the time available before Eights. With the return of rowers from the lightweight University squads and the two-time women’s Blue boat cox, we stepped on massively from the previous term. Although we came within one-quarter of a length of Wolfson on the first day, we came up against two very strong crews from St Edmund Hall and Queen’s College to end the week in ninth on the river, despite some gutsy rowing. M2 also raced well, bumping on the penultimate day, but sadly they missed out on a chance to assert themselves in Division 3 because of a klaxon.

Edward Ashton, Captain
ABOVE AND BELOW The men’s teams at Summer Eights 2019.
Photograph by Stuart Bebb.
Women’s rowing

Overall, the year 2018/2019 has been successful for women’s rowing at Balliol, especially for our first boat.

We started by recruiting a strong set of novice rowers, who competed in Christ Church Regatta in Michaelmas and went on to form half of our Torpids first boat in Hilary. W1 won blades in Torpids with a super strong start, going up six places and solidifying their place in Division 1 as ninth on the river, and never having rowed past the gut! W2 had a rocky start to the week, being bumped by New College and Lincoln W2 boats on the first day, and having a klaxon-ed division on the second day. An unfortunate collision on their last day of racing led to them being unable to finish the race, leaving W2 second in Division 5. The strong streak for W1 continued in Summer Eights, going up three places and back into Division 1 again. Unfortunately we did not field a W2 for Summer Eights because of the work commitments of many girls.

Balliol was again represented in the University rowing squads, with ex-Balliol student Eleanor Shearer (2014) coxing the OUWBC Blue Boat, and both Leah Mitchell and Grace Joel rowing in the victorious Lightweight Blue Boat. Charlotte Lee also coxed the Championship Lightweight 8+ to a gold medal at BUCS.

_Leah Mitchell and Leonor Caldeira Sampaio Dos, Captains_

BELOW AND OPPOSITE The women’s teams at Summer Eights 2019.
Photograph by Stuart Bebb.
All in all, 2018/2019 has been a vintage season for Balliol rugby. After a long summer away from egg chasing, the Balliol Lions were hungry to get stuck in to the new season, bolstered by a strong intake of Freshers. In addition to rising from Division 4 in Michaelmas with the best defensive record of all Oxford colleges, we made it a double-promotion season in Hilary by finishing top of Division 3 with fine victories over Pembroke, Jesus, and Univ. This was aided by a mesmerising dialectical meat-pie competition between Balliol’s Kelan Patel and Alex Lamb in which the former achieved a tally of 11 tries for the season. Our loss to Pembroke in the final play of the Plate Semi-Final was a sad note on which to end the year, but it indicated how much BCRFC means to us all and has given us plenty of fire in the belly for next season.

Off the pitch, the BCRFC community has gone from strength to strength, with the large Fresher intake taking the social scene in its stride. A tour to Prague over Easter represented the apotheosis of this, and we look forward to continuing this tradition by embarking on an adventure into the depths of northern England next season.

Although Boris Johnson (1983) decided that running for Prime Minister was more important this year, the ‘old boys’ match – a clash of youth and skill vs old age and treachery – was a fantastic event, and we look forward to

Rugby
organising another one for the upcoming season. If any alumni would like to get involved, please get in touch with me at robert.chamberlain@balliol.ox.ac.uk. Despite the amount of time they’ve spent on the pitch putting our outgoing players in danger of rustication, they all seem intent on graduating, which will be a huge loss to the club, as they have formed the backbone of BCRRFC over the last few seasons. However, I am more than confident that our current members will step up to fill their boots, standing us in good stead for a more competitive season in Division 2.

Robert Chamberlain, Captain

Skoliasts

All three termly Skoliasts dinners went smoothly and provided an opportunity to strengthen the sense of community between Balliol Classicists. It was especially heartening to see that many of the first-years attended the dinners.

For Skoliasts in Michaelmas Term last year’s presidents, James Baker and Haydee Thomas, invited Dr Ed Bispham (University Lecturer and Tutorial Fellow in Ancient History, Brasenose College) as guest speaker. His talk explored aspects of ‘Ancient Identity in the Roman Empire’ in which epigraphic evidence, for example graffiti written by slaves on a drying surface, gave an insight into the endurance of Etruscan, Oscan and Umbrian identities. The Hilary Term dinner saw Dr Andrew Sillett (Stipendiary Lecturer in Classics, St Hilda’s College) speak on ‘Ciceronian Jokes’, demonstrating the ways in which the orator used humour to sway the crowd and even as a medium for voicing subversive views – it was recorded that he made jokes about his own side in the Civil War. In Trinity Term Kyle Bonnell (2010), DPhil candidate in Classical Languages and Literature, gave a talk on ‘Dolphin Hijackings’ with particular reference to the Homeric Hymn to Apollo; he also considered descriptions of theriomorphic gods in Greek literature.

We are grateful to all our guest speakers for their engaging talks and to the tutors for enabling these evenings to take place and be as affordable as possible for all students.

Emily Shaw, President

Water polo

For the first time in a number of years, Balliol entered a joint team in the water polo Cuppers. The team was one of mixed abilities, experiences and ages – ranging from those who had never played before, to those who play for the Oxford team, to those who last played 30 years ago. Water polo Cuppers takes the form of a mini-tournament consisting of pool rounds on the first
day and semis and finals the following week. Despite never having played together as a team, Balliol won all of its games during the pool rounds – with Daniel Tracey making a brilliant debut as goalie and every single player on the Balliol team scoring at least one goal. Balliol went on to win a nail-biting semi-final the following week, but unfortunately narrowly lost to a joint Wadham/Harris Manchester College team in the finals. It was a fantastic experience for all involved, especially for those who discovered a new sport.

The Balliol team this year consisted of: Emily van Heerden, Howard Friman, Lorenzo Caravaggi, Harry Fox, Nicholas Wiseman, Richard Goldsbrough, Hebe Larkin, Ella Sharrock, Daniel Tracey and Calvin Chan.

**Women’s sport initiative**

The women’s sport initiative has been started with the aim of encouraging female participation in physical activity at all levels during university, a time when dropping out from sport is very common. The initiative (so far for the JCR) involves weekly sessions with different sports each time, including ice skating, rock climbing, Zumba, yoga and swimming. The turnout has been strong and we have also had some popular socials throughout the year, which are strengthening the female community within Balliol.

*Emily van Heerden, Captain*

*Francesca Back, JCR sports rep*
Younger Society

The Younger Society has had yet another happy year. In December, we held our main event of the year: the annual dinner, which had the privilege of the attendance of Lord Hoffmann, PC, GBS, as speaker. Lord Hoffmann is one of the Commonwealth’s greatest judges. Hailing from South Africa, he has had an illustrious judicial career in the United Kingdom and his landmark judgements still resonate today. The occasion brought together a colourful potpourri of students, tutors, Fellows, and alumni, all of whom walked away feeling that bit more connected to the Balliol law family.

On the heels of such a successful event, we have begun organising the next dinner on 7 December 2019. We will be commemorating our beloved Professor Timothy Endicott’s 20th year at Balliol by holding a moot between alumni and students before the dinner, in addition to trialling a new guest policy where each invitee is allowed to bring a guest regardless of the latter’s links to Balliol or law.

Other highlights of the year include our Garden Party in June, where students and tutors whiled away an Oxford summer day with Pimm’s, scones, strawberries and cream. We have also had the pleasure of having an alumna, Laura Durrant (1999) from White & Case, speak to Balliol students about what a career in law holds for them.

We are immensely grateful for the support of the College and especially Professor Timothy Endicott (Professor of Legal Philosophy, Blanesburgh Fellow and Tutor in Law) and Dr Grant Lamond (Frankfurter Fellow and Tutor in Law) who were critical to the success of our events. Slaughter and May’s kind sponsorship of the 2018 dinner was also instrumental in ensuring that our main event was possible and – to an unprecedented extent – accessible.

Mick Yang, President
Norway and the United Kingdom, or more especially Balliol College, Oxford

Godfrey Fowler OBE (Emeritus Fellow) and John Jones (1961 and Emeritus Fellow)

When Prince Carl of Denmark was elected King of Norway in 1905, taking the regal name Haakon VII, he was already married to Princess Maud of Wales, who was said to be the favourite daughter of our King Edward VII. After their 1896 wedding in Buckingham Palace, King Edward had given them Appleton House on his Sandringham estate as an English home. Their only child Prince Alexander was born there in 1903. In 1905 King Haakon renamed him and he became Crown Prince Olav. Through his mother, he was a first cousin of Edward Prince of Wales (briefly King Edward VIII) and King George VI: King Olav’s son King Harald is a second cousin of our present Queen Elizabeth II.

The Royal families of Norway and Great Britain are thus intimately connected at the highest level, but there is much more to the mutual affection and regard of our two nations than royal genetics. It has a lot to do with Balliol College, Oxford. Lest any bias be suspected, we admit that we are both Balliol people, and share with King Harald, who is an Honorary Fellow of Balliol, nearly 60 years’ close association with the College. Fellows of Balliol do not do bias, but we do not expect anybody outside our circle to believe that!

Crown Prince Olav’s cousin Edward Prince of Wales had been at Magdalen College, Oxford, before the Great War, and had enjoyed himself there. It would have been natural enough and expected for Prince Olav to follow him there, but in 1920 his Norwegian tutor advised King Haakon that Balliol would be more suitable. Discreet enquiries were made about the possibility of the Crown Prince being admitted. A.L. Smith, who was then Master of
Balliol, replied that the College would be honoured ‘to be invited to help in the education of one who will have in his hands so much of the future welfare of a whole nation’, but ‘At the same time we should in his own interest, as well as in accordance with our own principles, expect evidence that he would be up to our standard in intellectual capacity.’ Three years later King Haakon was still minded to send his son to Balliol despite its left-wing image, pressure from the Prince of Wales in favour of Magdalen, and concern that Norwegian universities might take offence. He was persuaded that Balliol was ‘one of the best if not the best’. He admitted that ‘perhaps the boys got very socialistic ideas there’, but his resolve was not shaken when A.D. Lindsay, a Christian Socialist and an active member of the Labour Party, was elected Master in 1924: ‘it does not look as if he is trying to enforce his personal point of view on the young people under his charge, so I do not see any reason why I should change my mind on sending my son to his college’.

King Olav by J.T. Njerve, unveiled by the King in Balliol Hall, 1981.
It all worked out very well. Crown Prince Olav took a full part in the sporting and academic life of the College 1924–1926 on an equal footing with the other young men, and enjoyed it, recording the regard he came to have for Lindsay by contributing a handsome foreword to Lindsay’s biography.

He visited Balliol, which made him an Honorary Fellow in 1937, numerous times. When the Nazi invasion of Norway took place, he came to England with his father, although it is well known that he would have stayed behind as a resistance leader if that had been allowed; and when in the Oxford area during the Second World War he dined quietly in Balliol’s Senior Common Room. As King he came to grand Balliol occasions like the College’s Septcentenary celebrations in 1963, and also made several private visits.

On one of these low-key private visits, King Olav was chatting with the Master late in the evening when a threatening phone call was received. It was immediately obvious to the Master and the King that this was a hoax call from neighbouring Trinity College pranksters, and they carried on regardless. But the bodyguard, who had been provided by British security, got very excited and, rather unsteady on his feet, with his hand on his gun, insisted on searching the vicinity, with the Dean in tow. It was comically clear that the bodyguard had no need to worry: the King would have looked after him in the event of trouble.
When King Olav died in 1991, the respect he commanded in the UK was marked with a memorial service in Westminster Abbey, at which we represented the College, together with the then Master.

We can only speculate that it was King Olav’s affection for his old college that led him to point Crown Prince Harald towards Balliol, but we suspect that the College’s Senior Fellow, A.B. Rodger, had something to do with it: they had known each other since 1924.

Crown Prince Harald spent the years 1960–1962 at Balliol, and like his father has put on record that he enjoyed it, entering fully into College life, especially its rowing life. He was a formidable oarsman, who rowed in the College 1st VIII.

He too was made an Honorary Fellow while still Crown Prince, and as King the University conferred an Honorary Doctorate on him by Diploma (an honour reserved for special heads of state) in 2006. The occasion was very grand, with all of us bedecked in academic finery. After speeches and formalities in the University’s Sheldonian Theatre, there was a formal luncheon. It was a University entertainment, but it was staged in Balliol’s Hall. The University dignitaries assembled in the Hall first, and it fell happily to one of us to greet His Majesty at the College gates and escort him to the Hall. As a surprise, leading members of the Balliol Boat Club had been tipped off to be standing by the Hall entrance. He was obviously delighted by this unofficial diversion and stopped to talk with them for several minutes.
In accepting his Honorary Doctorate, the King made a gracious and thoughtful speech,* reminding us in passing that King Haakon the First had been brought up in the court of the English King Athelstan more than a thousand years ago. But mostly he spoke of the great and multifaceted affinity between our countries. His speech should be required reading for anyone interested in Anglo-Norse relations.

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The College remains the homes of the Andersen and more recently Aker Scholarships, meaning that Balliol continues to have a very strong Norwegian contingent.

* The King’s speech is available at https://www1.ox.ac.uk/gazette/2006-7/weekly/231106/note.htm#1Ref.
The Rhodes Scholarship scheme was suspended during the Second World War. At the outbreak of the war there were 80 scholars in residence in Oxford: one year later there were 17; and in 1942 only one. In 1945 32 scholars returned, mainly from Europe and prisoner-of-war camps.

When the scholarship scheme was resumed the eligibility criteria for ex-service applicants were relaxed. The 19-to-25 age limit was extended in proportion to years of service; and ‘the honourable state of matrimony was permitted’. It was realised that the scholarship could not support those with a wife and family, that they would not be able to live as normal scholars did, in colleges, and that accommodation in the city would be a problem. Therefore an edict was issued: ‘every married Rhodes Scholar was required to give an undertaking, first, that he had adequate means in addition to his Scholarship emoluments, and second, that before coming to Oxford he had negotiated for a dwelling place’.

Well, what a challenge! To find a place to live in, many thousands of miles away from home, in an overcrowded city in England, before the days of electronic messaging. Even so, scholars flooded into Oxford: 150 in 1946/1947, peaking at 220 in 1948, when they were accompanied by 84 wives and more than 50 children. I was lucky enough to be the 1947 Queensland Scholar, and at 27 years of age, with a wife and one child, was part of the ex-service inrush of what I am calling ‘Peculiar Scholars’.

After a prolonged, disappointing search for accommodation through advertisements in imported Oxford newspapers, voilà, a miracle! An aerogramme arrived which read: ‘You don’t know me, but I have heard from someone at our church who has a sister in India, who heard from your brother there, that you, in Australia, are looking for accommodation in Oxford. I think you may be interested in this . . .’ He was a butcher in the market. That’s how, in January 1948, we came to move into a rather empty third floor of a house occupied by a college don and his family. Our accompanying baggage included a pram, a homemade collapsible cot, a bicycle, camping gear and two big trunks packed with clothing and foodstuffs.

To get to England I was Ship’s Surgeon on the 9,000-ton cargo ship SS Trojan Star. It took six weeks, including Christmas and New Year, to get from Melbourne to London, carrying 15 passengers. One of my tasks was to get nappies dried down in the engine room. I was paid off with one shilling.
at the Albert Docks, where suspicious customs officials went over the ship with a fine toothcomb and finally found a large quantity of rationed contraband being smuggled into the UK in the several feet of hidden space between the outside and inside width of the ship.

Our digs had four chairs in them with hymnbook rests on their backs. It was a time of severe rationing of food (including bread but not whale meat), clothing, coal, firewood, soap, practically everything, including timber. I would cycle for our quota of timber and make furniture. Besides my busy domestic life I did, of course, do some work: particularly clinically caring for patients and studying for Membership of the Royal College of Physicians in the Radcliffe Infirmary down town, and researching in the Churchill Hospital up on Headington Hill for a DPhil degree. Quite a steep hill! Cycling everywhere, of course, no gears, skidding on ice in winter. The only hangover from my far-from-illustrious Army service was to wear my greatcoat on perishingly cold nights while typing my thesis on a portable typewriter purloined from the Japanese. I did medical locums to help make ends meet. In one, a dispensing practice in Scotland, the doctor, with his Scottish accent, said: ‘If you give them some medicine be sure to ask them to bring a sample of urine to their next visit, else you won’t get the bottle back!’ One patient, disappointed not to see his usual doctor, nevertheless reluctantly left a very acceptable haunch of venison with us. Part of that practice was to attend to the needs of monks in the nearby Benedictine monastery which overlooked Loch Ness. Father Thomas told me that Father so-and-so had seen the monster, but ‘knowing him he is capable of seeing anything!’

So, as you can tell, I was not much of a scholar – well, not a proper one: a ‘peculiar’ one. I missed out on experiencing College life and I had little spare time to get involved in extra-curricular activities. But exploring England, lining up to meet the Queen, camping through Europe, meeting lots of interesting people from all over the world, learning heaps and having fun (and a second child) were some of the many positives.

In sport the closest I came to excellence was to be associated with Tom Bourdillon (1942), who was my regular squash opponent. Tom was a mountaineer, who later, in 1953, ‘got the first shot at the summit’ of Everest
but was thwarted at 28,750 feet. Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay made the second assault successfully the next day. I did a bit of this-'n'-that in sport and other activities, but I was very much an ‘also-ran’ compared to many other scholars. One, for example, a New Zealander, had five daughters under seven years of age and yet managed to get First Class Honours, a doctorate and a reputation as an aerobat.

The ‘Peculiar Scholars’ scheme for ex-servicemen was phased out by 1950. I and my family returned to Australia in 1952 on the P&O ship Mooltan, packed with ‘Ten Pound Poms’. She, too, had served in the Second World War, as an armed merchant cruiser and troop ship. So, back to earth, almost penniless, in Sydney. On behalf of postgraduate students and researchers like me, returning to work productively in the country, I appealed to the Prime Minister, Robert Menzies, to help us to get on our feet financially: no answer.

All in all I was simply one of the lucky lot of young people – in my case probably about the 2,400th in the world, and 230th from Australia – who got immense pleasure and benefits from the Rhodes Scholarship scheme.
One day Monsieur Panse Peyre knocked on the door of Jeanne Parette in Nîmes. He found the door to Parette’s house locked, but spied her through a window. She was not alone. In fact, Peyre witnessed Parette in the company of a man who was not her husband. Peyre’s immediate response was to call to a group of women nearby, who rushed to confront Parette. They declared that she ‘did not act well to stay with a man all alone’ and that ‘if she continued they would have to denounce [her] to the magistrate’ (p. 146). While this denunciation may not have taken place, by 1597 Jeanne Parette felt sufficiently maligned that she brought her case herself to the Nîmes consistory, complaining that these women, including Jeanne Nancelles and Beatrix de Creuvain, had unfairly called her a prostitute and had spread the unfounded rumour of her secret liaisons with a foundry worker.

In this brief episode we encounter a number of the themes at the heart of Suzannah Lipscomb’s book, *The Voices of Nîmes: Women, Sex, and Marriage in Reformation Languedoc*: the tension between the moral standards of the Huguenot church and the performance of quotidian tasks by working women; the ways in which women’s everyday behaviour was policed by both the Calvinist consistory and communities within Nîmes; the connection between a woman’s sexual behaviour and her honour; and, finally, the ways in which early modern women might use institutional structures to defend their reputations. Lipscomb’s meticulous reading of the records of the consistorial courts in Nîmes between 1561 and 1615 brings to life the worlds of women such as Parette and Nancelles in all their Technicolor complexity. Their stories are told against the backdrop of the Reformation in southern France and the French Wars of Religion.

Protestantism had been growing in the Languedoc region since the 1530s. French Calvinists formalised their presence in Nîmes in 1561 with the establishment of the consistory. This institution ushered in a new age of moral discipline guided by a Calvinist theology that valued moral purity as a symbol of spiritual unity. The consistorial court investigated disputes concerning religious deviance, rumours of sexual impropriety, unfulfilled
betrothals, and social disputes that threatened the spiritual health of the community. At the centre of the consistory’s programme of moral discipline, Lipscomb argues, was the reinforcement of patriarchy through the regulation of women and their bodies. Those deemed guilty of moral aberrance faced a variety of punishments, the most significant perhaps being exclusion from the ritual of the Eucharist. In Nîmes, the court was not limited to those with wealth, since there was no fee required to bring a case. Therefore, the records of the consistory offer a unique window on to the lives of ordinary women who encountered the institution as plaintiffs, defendants, and witnesses. Although the voices we hear are filtered through the institutional framework of the consistory, Lipscomb ceaselessly reads these sources in such a way as to reconstruct the mental worlds of the female residents of Nîmes.

The image that emerges is of the diversity of female experience in early modern Languedoc. The institutional ideal of the pious, modest, submissive and silent woman may have been routinely circumvented and inverted, but the consistory continually strove to cultivate the sexually pure, socially submissive woman. It did so through the regulation of the female body. This ranged from the governance of appearance – for instance, the banning of women wearing hairpieces from taking the Eucharist – to the strict moral code that saw female sexuality contained within the patriarchal structures of marriage. The consistory manifested a collective anxiety about sexual transgression, and a belief in woman’s unbridled concupiscence as a threaten to the stability of the spiritual community. Despite these strictures, Lipscomb reveals to us not just the women who fit the ideal normative model, but also the violent and slanderous women who did not. There were women who rejected intrusions upon their authority, such as Marie Paniesse’s attack on her neighbour Donne Saumete Gauffreze in 1593, calling her putain for interfering in the disciplining of her servant. There were women, too, who actively sought to elevate their social status at the expense of others by installing bigger pews in the church than were officially permitted. Disputes over space, whether physical or abstract, were tied to perceived areas of influence. Encroachment upon these spheres easily led to violence, and female violence was far from exceptional.
While the consistory was tasked with controlling the spiritual integrity of everyday life, moral boundaries were also maintained by the community. As Lipscomb highlights, Calvinists shared a ‘mutual responsibility for sin and morality’ (p. 64). Women, in particular, became arbiters of what constituted acceptable social behaviour. Their gossip underlined the values of the community, especially the boundaries of tolerable sexual behaviour. For instance, in 1589 Marye Boudane initiated a series of rumours of M. Rouvière’s frequent visits to the daughters of M. Grisot that came to the consistory’s attention. Women’s gossip shaped reputations through their exchange of information, which had significant consequences. Drivette Sannyere complained in 1598 that Magdaleine de la Biche had fuelled rumours that Sannyere had an illegitimate child, which jeopardised her marriage prospects. Women’s gossip became a resource for the consistory through which they might police everyday activities, transforming gossip from salacious talk into a social weapon. Women acknowledged the link between sexual misconduct and social dishonour, frequently utilising terms such as *putain* to indicate sexual depravity and bring about social ignominy. Lipscomb’s work reminds us that the patriarchy was not a system where men imposed gender ideals upon women, but a system whereby men and women were complicit in creating the norms of gendered behaviour. Women internalised and perpetuated the patriarchal norms of early modern Languedoc to such an extent that ‘women’s ways of challenging patriarchy and colluding with patriarchy were often indistinguishable’ (p. 329).

But this process of internalisation was often incomplete. There is plenty of evidence to direct us away from the conclusion that the boundaries of morality for the consistory and those for the community might be easily mapped on to one another. Women did not uncritically internalise the new moral regime of the Huguenots. The survival of pre-Reformation and local traditions meant that the consistory and inhabitants of Nîmes did not always agree about female behaviour. For instance, engagements had previously been seen as dissoluble through mutual consent, but not for the Calvinists. When Dalphine Ginière wished to suspend her engagement to Jean Labourd in 1597 because of his impoverishment, and rumours that he had killed his first wife, her request was denied. What constituted an engagement also diverged. While the consistory saw it as a formal exchange of words with witnesses, preferably with the blessing of a minister, communities viewed engagements as ratified by the exchange of gifts and the sharing of food. Similarly, while the consistory disapproved of cohabitation before marriage, and insisted upon little delay
between betrothal and marriage, communities accepted the pre-Reformation habit of cohabitation with relative tolerance. Jehan du Vray revealed to the consistory in 1562 that he wished to marry a woman with whom he had had a nine- or ten-year relationship that had resulted in children. His example was not uncommon. We see here that behind Lipscomb’s study of women is also a study of the dynamics of religious change and the persistence of pre-Reformation traditions.

Throughout her work, Lipscomb demonstrates the agency of early modern Languedoc women, who used the consistory as a mechanism to protect their honour, negotiate their position and find support in times of hardship. In 1589 Ysabeau Sallade of Nîmes appealed to the consistory to have her engagement nullified, since she had made the promise to marry aged 11. In this rare case, the consistory heeded her appeal and released her from her commitment. Elsewhere, women took slander seriously, since their honour was central to social standing, and appealed to the consistory when they saw their reputation attacked. Drivette Sannyere took her case of slander to the consistory in 1598, which resulted in the denunciation of Magdaleine de la Biche. On certain occasions, women who had experienced domestic violence might seek the aid of the consistory, as Maurice Carreyrone did in 1562 and the wife of coachman Simon Tillois in 1596. These women risked their own censure, but still solicited judgement from the consistory as the best possible source of redress for their grievances.

But stories of women’s agency and power are balanced with those that illuminate their powerlessness. Lipscomb teases out the stories of sexual violence and deception that pepper the consistorial records. Maids like Marguerite Mazalle, who had sex with her master on the false promise of marriage in 1582, or Jeanne Gauside, determined to abort a pregnancy that had resulted from rape in the 1590s, were left suffering the opprobrium of a society that, while making legal distinctions between consensual and non-consensual sex, applied these distinctions little in practice. Lipscomb reveals that rapists were not on the margins of society, but frequently known to their victims. Maids were most frequently attacked, dislocated as they were from their social networks, unmarried and away from home. While men might suffer invasive questioning from the consistory about their sexual practices, it was their victims whose reputations were sullied and who faced futures unmarried and impoverished. But still these women brought their cases to the consistorial court, hoping that they might relieve their consciences,
restore their reputations, or secure financial aid through enumerating their experiences publicly.

The women in Lipscomb’s study are neither homogenous nor consistent, but all saw the consistory and their own words as the most useful tools with which to confirm and protect their honour and status. As Lipscomb concludes, ‘the Reformed Church inadvertently created a mechanism that women could use to their benefit’ (p. 328). The success of this work is in making us rethink how women established authority in early modern communities. As Lipscomb points out, female power has often been seen a form of private power, negotiated behind closed doors through deception and dissemblance. But the records of the consistory demonstrate the ways in which women sought power in public. Lipscomb’s rich work brings further depth to an ever-growing body of literature that explores the complexity of early modern female experience. Balliol historians have been at the forefront of this historiographical trend. Professor Lyndal Roper (Fellow 2002–2011) placed conflicts over gender at the centre of the German Reformation. Simone Laqua-O’Donnell (2002) and Kat Hill (2002) have also explored the dynamic between gender and religious change in Counter-Reformation Münster and the Anabaptist movement respectively. Beyond the early modern, the late Professor Kate Marsh (1996), and Carol E. Harrison (1990), too, have used gender as a key category of analysis in their work on modern France. Suzannah Lipscomb continues and strengthens this trend carved out by Balliol historians before her, compelling us to rethink the dynamics of the patriarchy and the source of female power in the early modern world.

The House of Augustus

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Despite its lavish illustrations what this book really needs is a virtual reality computer presentation. It tells us in detail where the emperor Augustus lived on the Palatine Hill in Rome, and refutes the generally held belief that it was in the grandly decorated palace whose foundations were discovered a generation ago and which was opened to mass tourism in 2014 as ‘the House of Augustus’. In the course of this lively and learned discussion, as Wiseman meticulously picks to pieces modern hypotheses, we are led through 2,000 years of the changing streets and buildings on the Palatine from the alleged origins
of Rome to the age of modern excavations. How to keep our bearings without Google Maps or 3D reconstructions is a challenge (though there is a useful plan of his final conclusions at Figure 67).

Nevertheless the basic argument is clear. Previous investigators have imagined Augustus as a tyrant living in a palace fit for an emperor or a modern military dictator. In fact he was obsessed by the humble origins of Rome and sought to emulate the refugee leader of an eighth-century bunch of robbers and shepherds, Romulus himself, living modestly in the shadow of his new temple of Apollo, beside the legendary hut of Romulus and the first marking out of Roman space, Roma quadrata.

Wiseman’s enjoyable new view of Augustus is carefully built up from the ancient evidence: it is unorthodox, indeed revolutionary. Roman politics was divided as now between two factions, the optimates and the populares. The optimate faction believed (like the British Conservative party or the US Republicans) that they had the right to rule for ever in their own interests: they controlled the media then and later with the myth that the Republic had been destroyed rather than restored by Augustus. The popular party espoused the liberty of the people, and their leaders were regularly murdered by the senatorial aristocracy, until finally their champion, the ‘divine young man’ (divinus adulescens), seized power and established a dynasty which ruled in their interests through ‘bread and circuses’. This is what populism is, now and always.

But such a view of the Roman Revolution could not appeal to the generation of the Thirties raised on resistance to Fascism, although it certainly resonates today, as we hope that our new leaders will continue to live in modest accommodation loaned to them by the state. Wiseman has indeed some important lessons for our populist leaders – Remember your Origins. The Great King of Persia in his coronation ceremony had to put on the shepherd rags of his ancestor Cyrus, eat dried fig cake, drink sour curds and chew terebinth root. And Augustus espoused mos maiorum, the ancestral customs, wearing home-spun cloth and lecturing his daughter on her adulteries and her see-through dress.
I believe Wiseman’s main thesis implicitly: the so-called *casa di Augusto* is indeed just the foundations of another monstrous *palazzo* built by some late Republican plutocrat who deservedly lost his life in the proscriptions and had his property confiscated by the state. The Palatine was certainly extensively remodelled as a result of Nero’s rebuilding after the Great Fire of AD 64; but it is rather surprising that Wiseman does not mention the second great Fire of Rome in AD 192, which was recently highlighted by the rediscovery in a manuscript from Mount Athos of Galen’s lost work ‘On Keeping One’s Cool’, about the catastrophic destruction of his entire library and research collection.

There is no good evidence to support the hyperactive fantasies of modern investigators. Augustus’s real residence is lost under the palaces of later emperors, somewhere under the massed phalanx of latrines that one can glimpse through occasional gratings on the modern site. And Augustus was an avid reader of the antiquarian Varro’s lost work on the mythic origins of Rome: his poets knew how to please him when they stuffed their poems with allusions to the fragments of the distant past. But did Horace really recite his Roman odes in the piazza in front of the emperor’s house, and could Ovid really pick up a high-class prostitute in the portico of Apollo? Was Virgil first recited there, and did Tibullus and Propertius compose their poems for this precise venue? It’s a vivid picture of what Augustan Rome was like, before the Palatine became a truly imperial palace under the emperors Nero and Domitian.

Augustus was a ‘*civilis imperator*’, a man of the people. But he also shared in many of their superstitions. He believed that his 63rd year (the climacteric) was the most dangerous. He laid out the Campus Martius with an Egyptian obelisk as a sundial to reflect his own astrological chart and link the birth star of his conception with his future Mausoleum (the date of whose active use he could not of course predict). He built a huge temple to his patron god Apollo, with whom as a young man he had liked to identify himself. And when he decided to live in the shadow of this temple, was this the move of a true *popularis*, or a claim to possess a status more than human, a presumption of his future apotheosis? What did the people think? They worshipped him anyway.
How We Fell in Love with Italian Food

Diego Zancani (Emeritus Fellow), Bodleian Library Publishing, 2019

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At the opening of his hugely enjoyable, informative – and culturally timely – book on the Anglo-American relationship with Italian food, Diego Zancani recalls his own first experiences of English cooking, as a lodger with a family in Reading in the late 1960s,

who, day in day out, would feed me the classic meat and two veg – some carrots and a handful of peas boiled in unsalted water, all dished up with no condiments whatsoever. The peas were particularly sad, and when I asked for a drop of olive oil – I did not think it an unreasonable request but little did I know – Mrs Porter gave me a suspicious look, and suggested I should call in at the chemist’s. When I did so, the girl behind the counter at Boots handed me a tiny bottle filled with what looked like an oily substance and told me to put a few drops in my ears before bedtime.

It must be hard, without this sort of personal testimony, for anyone much younger than the now retired Zancani to comprehend quite how much has changed in British cuisine in the intervening decades. Central to our food revolution has been the soaring popularity of Italian food – the availability of its ingredients, the dissemination by book and TV of its recipes, the proliferation of its restaurants. These processes, in longue durée perspective, are the focus of Zancani’s book. How We Fell in Love with Italian Food is part-history, part-etymology, part-cookbook and part-memoir, and – like so many of the now-canonical dishes that he explores – even more than the sum of its ingredients.

As the book adroitly demonstrates, the British relationship with Italian cuisine has not been a straightforwardly linear one; indeed it is one rather of (initially) Gibbonian rise, fall, and rise again. It turns out that the melancholic young Zancani, culinarily marooned in 1960s Reading, had his forebear in Julius Caesar, who had himself grumbled that Britons appeared to live on milk and meat alone. The conquest duly brought a huge expansion in Roman imports, with olives and olive oil, peas, and herbs including rosemary, thyme, bay, basil and mint shipped to London and Southampton, while the Romans cultivated gardens and orchards in which apples, pears, cherries, plums and damsons were planted. Pliny the Elder, one of the greatest naturalists of antiquity, could precisely date the moment when the cherry ‘crossed the ocean and got as far as Britain’. Romans, Zancani tells us, also planted garlic, onions,
leeks, turnips, cabbages, carrots, parsnips, asparagus, radishes, beets, endive, and lettuce, and contributed to the diversity of woodland trees, with sweet chestnuts and walnuts, which also provided cooking oil. Roman Britain endured until 410 CE, and a recurring question in the book is, how did the British lose sight of Italian cuisine between Julius and Jamie?

While pilgrims to Rome kept the conduits to Italy flowing, it was an at-least 12-week journey overland. Imports of spices are known to have continued, especially from Venetian and Genovese vessels to London and Southampton. But increased imports from neighbouring France were inevitable: Saxon merchants are known to have attended the annual fair of St Denis in Paris from 634 BCE, establishing trading relations only expanded by the Norman Conquest. Of course, the global turn in historical writing has lately emphasised the anachronism of imposing modern national boundaries on the historical geography of the pre-modern world, and Zancani is notably good at recovering the ways in which different cuisines cross-pollinated and developed. The Norman Conquest, therefore, did not in any simple way see the transcendence of ‘French’ over ‘Italian’ cuisine: Muslim cooks were taken on at the courts of the Norman kings of Sicily, especially that of William II, whose wife was the daughter of Henry I. Rice was imported by the Arabs into Sicily in the 12th century, with the dukes of Milan later fostering its cultivation in the marshes of Lombardy. Another foodstuff introduced by Arabs to Italy was pasta itself, initially in the form of thin dried noodles called *itriyya* – the notion that Marco Polo brought noodles to Italy is given short shrift. There is evidence of *macaroni*, *gnocchi*, and *lasagne* by the late 13th century, with Genoa a noted centre (to this day Genoa airport allows exemptions to the quantity of pesto sauce travellers are permitted to carry through customs).

Giovanni Boccaccio featured a number of pasta dishes in the *Decameron* (1353), which Zancani persuasively represents as formative in the conception of Italy as the great cornucopia. ‘In his *Decameron*, Zancani writes,

Boccaccio gives a vivid picture of a most extravagant land of plenty. There, excellent ravioli and macaroni are cooked on top of hills made of Parmesan cheese and covered with vines tied up with sausages. Once ready, the pasta morsels start
tumbling down the hill towards a stream of the purest and best Vernaccia wine. Readers of Boccaccio’s tales must have found these stories irresistible, so much so that they decided to go and check for themselves. The era of the foodie was about to commence.

From the 13th century onwards Italian merchants and bankers, especially from Lombardy and Tuscany, established the trade contacts in England of which London’s Lombard Street is an echo. Among the recipes collected in the 14th-century *Curye on Inglysch*, the oldest English cookery manuscripts, are ‘Lombard rice’ and ‘Lumbard mustard’, along with references to *ravioles*, *maccheroni*, and *bukkenade*, resembling *osso buco*. When the classical scholar Poggio Bracciolini accompanied Henry Beaufort, Bishop of Winchester and uncle of Henry V, to London as his Latin secretary, Bracciolini bemoaned the weather and the libraries, but raved about the cookbooks and the cooking and expanded accordingly – though Zancani has studied (and eaten) in Britain long enough to consider that this may have been a specimen of humanist irony.

Travellers’ journals diffused the image of Italian food abroad. Margery Kempe (c.1373–after 1438), the mystic and visionary, and the daughter of a King’s Lynn merchant, remained resolutely vegetarian despite the celebrated allures of Bolognese sausage. The former Carthusian monk Andrew Borde’s *Compendyous Regyment or a Dyetary of Helth* (1542) contained many tips drawn from his earlier travels. William Thomas, a Welsh Traveller who published a *History of Italy* in 1549, included much on Italian food. But as Zancani nicely demonstrates, the impact of the Reformation is traceable even in food history. Protestant vituperation of Catholic Italy generated the phenomenon of the self-indulgent ‘Italianate Englishman’: Roger Ascham, former Latin tutor to Elizabeth I, remarked that he had seen more vice in nine days in Venice than in nine years in England, while Thomas Nashe’s 1594 *The Unfortunate Traveller* specifically depicted Italy as an ‘Epicure’s heaven’ which corrupted the young English visitor. The first ever Italian–English dictionary, *A World of Words* (1598), was by John Florio, the son of a Protestant Tuscan pastor who had fled to London in 1550; it included ‘entries for crostata, gnocchi, lasagne, maccaroni, pappardelle, ravioli, tagliarelli and vermicelli’, though the *pizza* was a sweet tart rather than the modern variant.

The famous burial of his Parmesan cheese by Samuel Pepys during the Great Fire of London (1666) tells us that a culinary Italophilia endured in elite households. Indeed an early proponent of the five-a-day was Giacomo Castelvetro, tutor to King James I and Queen Anne. In 1614 he penned his
Brieve racconto di tutte le radici, di tutte l’erbe e di tutti i frutti, che crudi o cotti in Italia si mangiano – a ‘brief account of all the roots, herbs and fruit consumed in Italy, either raw or cooked’. Another proselyte for less meat and more veg was Balliol’s own John Evelyn, the great diarist, who wrote Aceteria: A Discourse of Sallets (i.e. salads, 1699) which commended ‘broccoli’ from Naples’ and which, Zancani tells us, inspired his own love of nettles soup.

The emergence of the Grand Tour in the 18th century firmly rehabilitated Italian cuisine, and as Zancani also nicely shows, hugely feminised its discourse, since it was ‘accounts from women travellers that formed the basis of Murrays and Baedekers, the most famous commercial guides to mainland Europe’. Many aristocratic women spent long periods in Italy, such as Henrietta Louisa Fermor, Countess of Pomfret, who stayed between 1738 and 1741, corresponding extensively with her friend Frances, Countess of Hertford, and the poetess and salon hostess Lady Anna Miller, who journeyed in the early 1770s and issued her Letters from Italy. Hester Thrale, the Welsh-born writer and patroness of the arts, whose diaries and correspondence are a major source for historians of 18th-century cultural life, became Hester Piozzi after marriage to her daughter’s Italian music teacher, and her Observations and Reflections Made in the Course of a Journey through France, Italy and Germany (1789) enjoyed royal favour. Margaret Gardiner left an account of her Italian travels with her second husband, the Earl of Blessington, and their stay near Genoa for much of 1823 with Byron, who as Zancani recalls ‘celebrated humble pasta as the food of exotic love in Don Juan: “Ceres presents a plate of vermicelli / for love must be sustain’d like flesh and blood.”’

The Grand Tour was not of course a uniquely British phenomenon, and Zancani has an eye simultaneously on the diffusion of Italian food into post-colonial America. Thomas Jefferson first encountered macaroni at Benjamin Franklin’s table in Paris in 1784, and with characteristic rigour then spent time at a dairy farm in Rozzano, near Milan, learning the intricacies of Parmesan production. Jefferson, Zancani writes, ‘had studied Latin authors on agriculture, including the works of Cato and Varro, and considered modern Italians as the heirs of the classical tradition’. He persuaded a posse of Italians, led by Filippo Mazzei, a Tuscan surgeon, teacher and vintner, to accompany him to Virginia, and in 1773 they began planting Italian peaches, apricots and grapes near Jefferson’s estate, tellingly called Monticello (‘little mount’). In 1787 Jefferson had sketched plans for a pasta-making machine, and as third President of the United States regularly served his beloved macaroni.
and Parmesan at state banquets, with ‘mac and cheese’ thereafter rapidly popularised and Italian exports soaring.

Of course, in Britain as in the nascent US, large-scale Italian emigration was to diffuse Italian food beyond the tables of the elite. Especially after the 1840s, many Italians came to London and Scotland, working as waiters, in service, in breakfast and tea houses for working people – and as ice cream vendors: by 1880 Italians controlled the London ice cream market, with 900 barrows based in Clerkenwell’s ‘Little Italy’ alone. At the other end of the spectrum, Guglielmo Jarrin was an Italian pastry chef from Parma who had a prestigious shop on Bond Street and wrote The Italian Confectioner (1820); the ‘Neapolitan bombe’ began to appear on elegant menus along with pistachio biscottini, mustacioli, Firenze and Savoy biscuits. In 1846 Charles Elmé Francatelli published The Modern Cook, A Practical Guide to the Culinary Art in All its Branches. Francatelli, born in London in 1805 of Italian descent and later chief cook to Queen Victoria, included ‘a white Italian sauce, a “Tomata or Love-Apple sauce”, Venetian, Genoese, Piedmontese, Florentine, Neapolitan and Sicilian sauces, as well as vermicelli, macaroni and lasagne soups.’ But as in America, what identified Italian food in Britain was macaroni. Eliza Acton’s 1845 Modern Cookery for Private Families recommended boiling Naples macaroni for 45 minutes and Genoa pasta for an hour; as Zancani observes with an audible wince, ‘Certainly the concept of al dente pasta was still a long way off.’

Pizza’s first recorded use was in 997 BCE near Naples. Alexandre Dumas visited Naples in 1835 and recorded that the poor subsisted on two foodstuffs, watermelon in summer and pizza in winter. It was the storied visit of King Umberto and Margherita of Savoy in 1889, however, which launched this definitive street food into the stratosphere, when Margherita chose one made with tomatoes, mozzarella, and basil – apocryphally for its colours of the new Italian flag – which thereafter bore her name. Pizza was exported to the US by emigrants at the end of the 19th century, in 1943 Ric Ricardo of Pizzeria Uno in Chicago invented the deep-pan pizza, in 1958 Frank and Dan Carney opened the first Pizza Hut, while Domino’s in Ypsilanti, Michigan, was the first to offer home delivery. As Zancani concedes, if Italians took pizza to the
US, America introduced it to the world. In 2017 Neapolitan pizza attained UNESCO recognition as an ‘Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity’. 

In Britain, the end of rationing in 1954 facilitated a new interest in cooking. Elizabeth David famously published three books dedicated to exotic, southern European food, culminating in her Italian Food of 1954, while Marcella Hazan’s The Classic Italian Cook Book (1973) started the craze for balsamic vinegar. Anna Del Conte’s Portrait of Pasta (1976) and Gastronomy of Italy (1987), the film star Sophia Loren’s Eat With Me (1972), which contained a series of ‘Commandments’ on serving al dente, and Frances Mayes’s The Tuscan Sun Cookbook (2012) all served to domesticate Italian food, which soon acquired medical endorsement with the inception of the ‘Mediterranean diet’.

It was inevitable that the high street would begin to cater for these appetites. Britain’s first Pizza Express – there are now over 300 – opened in Wardour Street in 1965, and some of London’s poshest restaurants were Italian: Bertorelli’s, Zia Teresa, La Terrazza (‘The Trat’), and Tiberio. In 1987 the River Café was opened by Rose Gray and Ruth Rogers, who had trained in Tuscany. One of their sous-chefs was spotted by the BBC, and Jamie Oliver’s The Naked Chef (1999) TV programme ran for three series with a bestselling book, the first of Oliver’s 20 plus, while Nigella Lawson, who graduated from Oxford in French and Italian, added to the promotion of ‘Britalian’ cuisine on British television. As Zancani reflects, now that consumers are routinely distinguishing between ‘single-estate Tuscan extra virgin, Lucca v. Siena, Ligurian oil v. light Garda, or complex, intense Apulian, Calabrian, Sicilian and Sardinian olive oils’, we have come a long way from the earwax remedies of 1960s Reading.

How We Fell in Love with Italian Food is not merely an addition to the burgeoning field of food history, interlaced with charming memoir. As an academic linguist, Zancani is wonderful throughout on the etymologies of the dishes he explores. Macaroni, formerly maccheroni, he explains, is not as often thought from the Latin maccare, to pound or crush, but from the Arab maqroun, ‘little rings of pasta, made with durum wheat’; pizza’s etymology gets a learned page of its own. The book is beautifully illustrated throughout, and contains the author’s own recipes for many of the regional dishes under discussion. With its easy prose premised on 16 pages of bibliography and some 350 footnotes, this is sprezzatura of the highest order.
In Memoriam
Deaths

Professor Paul Streeten (1944 and Honorary Fellow), 6 January 2019
Julia Delafield Hore (Fellow Commoner), 1 December 2018
James Cadzow Smith (Foundation Fellow), 10 July 2018
Martin Fido (Junior Research Fellow 1963–1966), 2 April 2019
Professor Patricia Bruckmann (Visiting Fellow (English) 1989–1990),
   6 January 2019
Professor Bryan Magee (Lecturer 1970–1971), 26 July 2019

Andrew Sturgis (1936), 10 June 2018
Bernard Harvey (1937), 29 November 2016
Sir Ronald McIntosh (1938), 1 April 2019
Professor John Cairns FRS (1939), 6 December 2018

Philip Dale (1940), 29 December 2017
Emeritus Professor Leonard Minkes (1941), 27 August 2018
Elwyn Laffoley (1944), 24 July 2018
Glynn Whittle (1944), 13 January 2019
John Lewis (1944), 4 June 2019
Revd Sir Timothy Forbes Adam (1946), 22 March 2019
Ralph Shuffrey (1947), 4 January 2019
Professor Ian Howarth (1947), 15 July 2019
John Dunbar (1949), 8 May 2018

The Hon James Billington (1950), 20 November 2018
Brian Drake (1950), 1 January 2019
Ambassador Richard Gardner (1951), 16 January 2019
Keith Spence (1951), 10 August 2017
David Hindley (1952), 16 November 2018
Professor Roy Morrison (1953), 23 December 2018
Jeremy Eyre (1954), 24 March 2018
John Miller (1954), 26 November 2018
Toby Jessel (1954), 3 December 2018
Thomas Pearce (1954), 1 March 2019
Professor John Pratt (1955), 5 September 2018
Nirmal Misra (1955), 2019
Ian Fulton (1955), 22 February 2019
Andrew Strachan (1955), 17 June 2019
Peter Aitken (1956), 1 August 2018
David Harris (1956), 6 January 2019
Christopher Surtees (1956), 10 May 2019
John Healey (1957), 17 April 2018
Jeffery Sherwin (1957), 12 November 2018
Professor Sir John Grimley Evans (1958), 26 March 2018
Jeremy Catto (1958), 17 August 2018
Colin Alexander (1958), 24 September 2018
Laurence Gretton (1958), December 2018
Ted Whybrew (1958), 20 January 2019
Richard Graham-Yooll (1958), 10 March 2019

Graham Bond (1961), 17 August 2018
Professor Thomas Campbell (1962), 27 July 2019
Roger Lewis (1963), 8 October 2018
Professor Guy Aston (1965), 31 October 2018
Michael Layzell (1966), 8 August 2018
Stephen Lewis (1966), 10 December 2018
Jonathan Long (1967), 9 January 2019
Bill Heine (1967), 2 April 2019
Professor Erik Olin Wright (1968), 23 January 2019
Richard Halstead (1969), 22 June 2019

Stuart Barton (1970), 12 April 2019
John Nicholson (1971), 23 March 2019
Robert Pear (1971), 7 May 2019
John Iles (1972), 8 June 2019
Professor Peter Pierce (1973), 4 September 2018
Peter Wetherall (1978), 11 September 2018

Kenneth Meadley (1980), 12 May 2019
William Field (1981), December 2018
Professor Derek Gray (1982), 28 September 2017
Ben Robertson (1982), 11 September 2018
Satish Keshav (1987), 23 January 2019

Professor Kate Marsh (1996), 9 April 2019
Paul Streeten (1917–2019)
Professor Frances Stewart (Professor Emeritus of Development Economics, Somerville College)


His qualities were apparent from an early stage. In 1944, the Principal and Vice-Chancellor of Aberdeen University (Sir William Fyfe), recommending him to Balliol, wrote that he was ‘a human of the prime class’, both ‘clever and charming’ (letters from Fyfe to Master of Balliol, 16 April 1944 and 7 October 1944); while his Balliol tutor, Thomas Balogh, in a letter to the Rockefeller Foundation in 1947, said: ‘he has a brilliant mind, remarkable not only for originality, but also for a firm grasp of the facts’ (2 January 1947).

Paul was born in Austria, son of Wilhelm and Berta Hornig. His father died when he was only two, and he was brought up by his mother and her family. As a teenager in Vienna in the 1930s, Paul devoted himself to the socialist youth movement, marching, demonstrating, and, after 1933, participating in underground activities, including carrying messages and distributing illegal news-sheets. But in the mid-1930s his interests switched from the youth movement to intellectual pursuits, including psychology and sociology, influenced, among others, by Max Adler, who was a family friend (as were Wittgenstein and Freud). Paul’s political perspective also changed: from a belief in revolutionary socialism towards social democratic views; and, as he states in a personal memoir, from a preoccupation with public life and politics towards more private, individual concerns (Streeten 1986). He retained the later perspectives throughout the rest of his life: an intellectual, a man of progressive values, not a political activist.
The Hornig family were secular Jews; they managed to flee after the Anschluss, his mother and brother to the US, his aunt’s family to Palestine, and Paul himself to the UK, where he lived, for a short time with two sisters, called Streeten. Soon after arriving in England, he was admitted to read Economics at Aberdeen University (they did not have a department for sociology, his preferred subject), but after a year there he was interned as an ‘enemy alien’, in unpleasant conditions – first in the Isle of Man and then Canada. Eventually, he was released, returned to the UK and joined a Commando Unit to be dropped into Sicily in advance of the main invasion. When he joined the unit he was told to change his name from Hornig in case he was captured, and he chose the name ‘Streeten’. The sisters were apparently delighted. He was very badly wounded in Italy, and spent a year in hospital.

He was then admitted to Balliol to read PPE. When he arrived in November 1944 his arm was still strapped up. In Balliol, his economics tutors were Maurice Allen (Fellow and Tutor in Economics 1931–1948) and Thomas Balogh (Fellow and Tutor in Economics 1945–1973), the latter in particular becoming a lifelong friend and collaborator. Paul found the combination of the two an excellent one: while Maurice Allen taught the basics of economics with clarity and logic, Tommy Balogh ‘was so confusing that I had to go back to my room and work it out for myself’ (Streeten 1986). After getting a first in PPE, Paul was made a lecturer in Balliol, substituting for Maurice Allen, who had joined the Bank of England, and when Maurice left permanently, Paul became official Fellow and Tutor in Economics.

Paul was a brilliant tutor – I myself was taught economics by him as an undergraduate, from 1959 to 1961, and later he supervised my doctorate. He listened carefully and with respect, gave incisive comments, and made every topic interesting. He treated one as an equal, as a respected colleague rather than an ignorant student. Other accounts1 of his teaching agree:

Paul combined an incisive intellect and an original mind with a striking lucidity in speaking and writing, which made him a superb teacher – Professor Deepak Nayyar (1967 and Honorary Fellow)

... a guru in the full sense of the term that folds teacher, guide and inspirer into one – Professor Akbar Noman (1966)

You [Paul] had the remarkable, indeed unique gift of listening and discussing with a young student as if with an equal, as if (could it have been true?) what the student was saying really interested you. – Steven Lukes (1958)
Three economists had a particularly important influence over Paul’s thinking and writing. Maurice Allen’s rigour and sharp logic can be seen in the very careful analytic papers Paul wrote in the late 1940s and 1950s – for example, his paper on ‘The Theory of Profit’ (Streeten 1949), ‘The Effect of Taxation on Risk-taking’ (Streeten 1953), ‘Reserve Capacity and the Kinked Demand Curve’ (Streeten 1950-51), among many. Papers he wrote at this time present carefully argued critiques of conventional views, particularly questioning their underlying assumptions about human behaviour and economic relationships and coming to controversial conclusions. For example, he suggested that higher profits taxation might not reduce risk-taking but could increase it, with different assumptions about behaviour and technology. These papers, taken together, provide a devastating critique of prevalent micro-economic assumptions and conclusions, showing that they are based on a simplistic view of economic relationships. What these, and later, papers underline is that the world is too complex to be described and analysed in simple economic models, yet, as Paul later acknowledged, ‘it takes a model to kick out a model’ (quoted in Stretton 1986: 8). This partially explains the persistence of the models in mainstream economics.

A second major influence on Paul’s thought and life was Thomas Balogh, an iconoclast with an instinctive distrust of conventional thinking and, quite often, brilliant insights, yet lacking careful analytic analysis to back these insights. A succession of papers written jointly with Balogh marry Balogh’s iconoclasm with Paul’s sharp, critical and systematic analysis to produce some important and influential contributions. Perhaps the best of these is ‘The Coefficient of Ignorance’ (Balogh and Streeten 1963), which provides a devastating critique of the widely accepted and extremely influential growth model of Solow, arguing that it leaves a huge ‘black box’ of unexplained growth, which Solow attributes to (unexplained) ‘technical progress’, and Balogh and Streeten rightly term ‘the coefficient of ignorance’.

The third economist to have a considerable influence over Paul’s approach to economics was the Swedish Nobel Prize winner Gunnar Myrdal. In addition to being an academic economist, Myrdal was a political activist in Sweden in the 1930s, partly responsible for the introduction of a welfare state. His major early contribution was to question the role of values in economics – economists then and now generally assume that their analytic and positive work is value free, and that values enter only in normative statements – which theorists try to avoid. Myrdal’s first important publication on this was The Political Element in the Development of Economic Theory, published in Swedish
in 1930 and translated into German in 1932. Paul met Myrdal in the late 1940s and agreed to translate the book from German to English. The English version came out in 1953 with an appendix on ‘Recent Controversies’ by Paul illustrating how economists continued to ignore the political element.

The need to untangle the manifold ways that values penetrated economic theory was an important component of Paul’s work. He attacked the view that ethical judgements had no place in scientific analysis, arguing that values informed assumptions and concepts in complex and pervasive ways. Perhaps the best illustration of this was in his penetrating paper on ‘Economics and Value Judgements’ (Streeten 1950). This paper went beyond the ‘political element’, showing how the penetration of values into economics was so central that it was not possible to deal with the issue, as Myrdal had recommended, simply by being explicit about the values of the analyst. Many concepts ‘both describe facts and contain valuations’ (Streeten 1950: 584). This view was later adopted by Myrdal in Value in Social Theory (Myrdal 1958, Myrdal 1968), a collection of papers, put together and translated by Paul, which contains a critique of welfare economics by Paul – ‘Programmes and Prognoses’ – which, among other things, attacks the separation of means and ends that is assumed in much social welfare theory.

In the early 1960s the direction of Paul’s work changed from preoccupation with economic theory to the broader arena of development economics and it is in this field that his formidable global reputation lies. Several events led to this switch. First, Myrdal invited him to work on his mammoth book Asian Drama (Myrdal 1968), to which Paul contributed an important appendix, entitled ‘Economic Models and Their Usefulness for Planning in South Asia’, which contains a thorough critique of the assumption of a constant capital-output ratio that, at the time, formed a fundamental component of planning for economic growth. In 1963 he was invited to work on problems of Indian planning at the Indian Statistical Institute in Delhi. In 1964, he became Deputy Director General of the just established Ministry of Overseas Development. From 1966, Paul was Deputy Director (and Acting Director) of the newly founded Institute of Development Studies at Sussex University, and in 1968 he became Warden of Queen Elizabeth House and Director of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies at Oxford. He joined the World Bank in 1978 to work with the Pakistani economist Mahbub ul Haq, and subsequently moved to Boston University as Director of the Economics Department’s Center for Asian Development Studies, which later became the World Development Institute. This, his final appointment, was a fitting post for Paul, who was a
citizen of the world, not only in terms of his personal geographical trajectory – which encompassed many countries from every region of the world – but also his far-reaching interests and contributions.

Paul worked on development economics issues for half a century, producing a huge stream of papers and books. Although the topics changed, his approach remained informed by his early work, including a continued preoccupation with values, a questioning of conventional concepts and models, particularly the unthinking transfer of Western concepts to the different situation of developing countries, and a critique of a strict means/ends distinction. The hallmark of a Streeten paper is a precise deconstruction of concepts and theory, and suggestions for a range of alternative approaches. Every paper was written with style, wit and subtlety. The papers were the writings of a PPE product, combining all three disciplines. He is often described as an ‘institutionalist’ (for example by Stretton, 1986), meaning that to understand development one must understand the institutions in place in the particular context, encompassing both formal and informal structures, human motivation and behaviour, institutions which are frequently ignored in mainstream analysis. But no one categorisation does him justice, and were he around he would undoubtedly find several compelling reasons why this appellation is incorrect.

Perhaps his best-known contribution in development was his work on Basic Needs: that is the idea that a predominant objective of development should be to see that every person’s basic needs are met – for food, shelter, education, and non-material needs such as employment and dignity; and that this objective should be given priority over the maximisation of economic growth. Together with Mahbub ul Haq he convinced the head of the World Bank to make Basic Needs a priority, in the late 1970s, and he led a team in the World Bank to analyse the implications. The work was brought together in (Streeten, Burki et al. 1981). For a short while, until the debt crisis and the dominance of neo-liberal economics swamped poverty-focused strategies, the Basic Needs approach was propagated by the World Bank in its dealings with developing countries. Despite the economic crisis of the 1980s, these ideas did not go away, but reappeared in a different and more sophisticated format, in the Human Development approach, elaborated in the 1990 Human Development Report to which Paul contributed.

Other important contributions included:
• a critique of the idea of balanced growth in which he provided convincing reasons why unbalanced growth might be more productive than balanced growth as bottlenecks may create incentives and opportunities;
• a critique of the use of Western concepts of employment and unemployment applied in a developing country context, and similarly of the capital-output ratio, as noted above;
• analysis of the role of foreign investment in development, giving it neither wholesale condemnation, as many did, nor wholesale praise as others did, but carefully differentiating good and bad characteristics in varying circumstances;
• analysis of how economists can contribute to (and qualify) Economic and Social Rights;
• continued contributions to successive Human Development Reports, including putting the concept of ‘jobless growth’ on the map; in this area his repeated insistence that a strict means/end distinction is invalid was particularly pertinent.

These are just a few of his many contributions. For the most part, Paul’s work consisted in analysing, classifying and deconstructing accepted views. As he himself said, ‘I have always been better as a critic than as an apologist or propagator or advocate’ (Streeten 1986: 154). Yet even though it takes models to push out models, the cumulative effect of the work of Paul and others (including Myrdal, Seers, Hirschman and many of Paul’s students) has been to lead to a general acceptance of the need for multidisciplinarity in development analysis, to take context into account, to widen development objectives beyond economic growth and to be cautious before making unthinking use of conventional concepts and theories.

Apart from intellectual contributions, Paul also made substantial institutional ones, as a good ‘institutionalist’ should. He turned Queen Elizabeth House into a thriving multidisciplinary centre of teaching and research, reflecting his own wide-ranging perspectives. During his wardenship, Queen Elizabeth House became a haven for visitors from overseas – in particular welcoming Visiting Fellows from the subcontinent and a succession of intellectual refugees, especially from Bangladesh, when their home environment became hostile. In 1972, he started *World Development*, and was the chief editor for many decades, turning it into the pre-eminent multidisciplinary development journal. The journal reflected Paul’s approach, both in its multidisciplinarity
and in its catholic and tolerant reach, welcoming papers from the orthodox as well as the heterodox.

For those who knew Paul, he will be remembered not just as a scholar but also as a witty, stimulating and gentle friend, with dancing eyes, always ready for a gossip, ‘a verray parfit gentil knight’, as Hugh Stretton wrote in concluding a biographical essay.

Paul had a very long (67 years) happy marriage to Anne. He leaves two daughters (Tish and Judy), a stepson (Jay), two granddaughters (Emma and Tulsi) and two great-grandchildren (Leo and Siena).

Paul was devoted to Balliol. Replying to the letter telling him he had been awarded an Honorary Fellowship, he wrote: ‘Balliol is my second family and to be honoured by Balliol is the most wonderful thing that can happen’ (letter to the Master, 5 March 1986).

1 Tributes to Paul on his 100th birthday.

2 Myrdal commented when a new edition of his book was being produced in 1982: ‘This book is unfortunately as much to the point today as when it was first published.’ (Swedburg 1990)

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Julia Delafield Hore (1946–2018)
College Secretary 1980–2007 and Fellow Commoner

The Revd Douglas Dupree (Emeritus Fellow)

From an address given at the Memorial Service in Balliol College Chapel on 15 January 2019

Julia led a rich and full life that began surrounded and held in childhood and youth by a loving family. Her family provided the foundation that launched her into the world – the television and arts world in London that challenged and developed her mind and imagination and that gave her an early introduction to all manner of different people. And then there was her long life in Oxford and Balliol College.

Julia enjoyed sharing stories of her childhood in Surrey and of her family. I believe that that solid loving family contributed a great deal to Julia’s strength of personality and capacity for friendship all through her life. I can see – in the mind’s eye – that close family unit – en famille and at play: Geoffrey and Mary Hore and their two girls, Julia and Joanna, out of doors in the countryside walking and picnicking, or on holiday in Cornwall, in a caravan on a farm near Liskeard. From that farm more than one Cornish cat found its way home with the family to Sutton. I understand it was Julia’s father Geoffrey and grandfather James who gave Julia as a small child her great love of cats that remained with her all her life. There was even more family – Julia spoke often of aunts, uncles and cousins. She and her younger sister Joanna saw much of them growing up.

Julia’s relationship to Joanna grew stronger and stronger as they grew older. When Joanna married Peter Conisbee and their children came along, Julia became an integral part of their family life. Joanna was a huge source of comfort to Julia after her multiple sclerosis diagnosis. Joanna’s death in 1998 was a blow from which Julia never fully recovered.

Julia spoke fondly of her school, St Philomena’s Convent in Carshalton, Surrey. It was run by an order of Roman Catholic nuns – the Daughters of the Cross of Leige. But by 17 Julia was eager for the next chapter to unfold.
She was already interested in pursuing a career in TV if possible. So off to London, and more schooling: Julia attended Mrs Hoster’s Secretarial College in South Kensington for one year.

Julia left Hoster’s in 1964 to go to Rediffusion TV London. Rediffusion was the ‘face’ of the ‘swinging 60s’ in London – the first company to win a terrestrial TV licence from ITV. Within three years Julia was working on the John Betjeman series of programmes about poetry and English cities, thus being able to combine work with two abiding loves of her life, Cornwall and poetry. She was then chosen to work – I think as one of the production secretaries – for David Frost on That Was the Week That Was. Julia next worked for Verity Lambert, the first and most notable of British women TV producers. During this period, Julia worked on Upstairs, Downstairs, one of the most popular TV programmes of its day.

In the next stage of her life, Julia came to a very different world – but a world no less interesting for someone like Julia with her keen interest in people, learning and the arts and her appreciation for communal life. She came to Balliol in 1973 and joined the College Office, where she worked for some five years.

During those years, Julia was the Senior Tutor’s Secretary. Sir Anthony Kenny, later Master of Balliol (1978–1989), was Senior Tutor. In his autobiography, A Life in Oxford (John Murray, 1987), he wrote: ‘For the first time in my life, as Senior Tutor, I had a secretary to myself . . . I have had many secretaries since, in many jobs, but none ever as good as my first, Julia Hore. (She went on to become Balliol’s College Secretary, and the most important influence for good in the institution.)’

In 1978 Julia left for a position at Wells Cathedral School, where she remained for two years.

Julia returned to Balliol in 1980 as College Secretary – the post she held for some 27 years until her retirement in 2007. Julia, for almost three decades presided over an administrative office consisting of a number of people who were vital to the College functioning and working according to purpose. Julia worked especially closely with the Master and senior College Officers. She held their confidence and was more often than not, especially in a crisis, their ‘go-to’ person as first port of call for advice.

From her large office window on the ground floor, with a view of the Library Passage, Julia could see everyone who came or went. If you happened to be in her office, and looking out that window, enquiring about this or that person you saw disappearing through or emerging from the Library Passage,
you could be sure that Julia could tell you who that student or don or visitor might be – indeed, where they were going, or whence they came. She might know also whether their mission was for good or they were up to no good. She knew us all – and sometimes knew more about us than we knew ourselves.

Outside the door to the College Office, pausing before entering in and looking through the window of Julia’s office, one might see sitting in a chair opposite Julia’s desk, this Fellow or another, rapt in earnest conversation with Julia. The door would be closed and one’s curiosity would be piqued: I always thought of her office as the College’s confessional.

In her first five years in Balliol, Julia served under the then Master, Christopher Hill (1965–1978), a distinguished modern historian. She was to serve four more distinguished Masters before retirement: Sir Anthony Kenny, ancient philosopher; Professor Barry Blumberg (1989–1994), scientist and Nobel Laureate; Sir Colin Lucas (1994–2001), modern historian, and Dr Andrew Graham (2001–2011), economist and government advisor. She was a good friend to all of them and – as in any friendship worth its salt – able to speak to them words of support and encouragement but also to speak plainly to warn or to disagree.

Julia exercised her office as College Secretary or Registrar with impeccable professionalism and discretion. But she was so very much more than that to the College, for which Old Members, her former students, and Fellows owe her a great debt of gratitude.

Balliol was founded in 1263 as a religious institution: a community of scholar monks pledged to a communal life and to transcendent values shared in common and giving purpose to the pursuit of knowledge. Albeit in a contemporary expression, Julia had an appreciation for those founding principles. Over three decades, she made an extraordinary contribution to making Balliol a whole and wholesome place – a place in which zealous competition or utilitarian pursuits were never allowed to overshadow the strong communal life of the College or to override respect for all members of the College.

Julia had a strong Christian faith. She was confirmed in Balliol Chapel by Ronnie Gordon, sometime Bishop of Portsmouth. She attended Evensong regularly in Balliol in term time and out of term she attended Sunday Eucharist at St Mary Mags.

During her Balliol days Julia loved travel, often with other members of College. I first got to know Julia well in 1990 when she agreed to accompany me and others in leading a reading party to Scotland, held in the beautiful
home on the River Forth of Balliol undergraduate Adam Bruce (1986). She came twice with me and with Carol Clark (Fellow 1973–2004 and Emeritus Fellow 2004–2016) to the Balliol Chalet up near Mont Blanc. Julia often spent spring or summer holidays at Carol Clark’s family house in Tuscany near Pietrasanta.

Of all the frequent gatherings and meetings with friends and of all Julia’s holidays abroad, one strikes me as most poignant. It was a trip Julia made to Italy in 2013. It was the very last trip she was able to make abroad. She was invited to join her friend Tina and Tina’s daughter Poppy (one of Julia’s three godchildren) to stay in the old house in Italy near Pietrasanta that Julia had known so well as home to Carol Clark. Now it was a bed and breakfast in other hands – yet still charming and with the same atmospheric garden Julia loved.

By now Julia’s health and her MS made otherwise simple things difficult. But Tina said that she could see ‘a lot of her old friend Julia’ on that visit, laughing until they cried at silly things and enjoying the beauty of the Italian countryside – all loads of fun in spite of the real difficulties of travel and maneuvering in areas not very wheelchair friendly.

But there is a fourth stage: these last years in which Julia managed to continue to live in her lovely flat in Field House Drive, in spite of increasingly difficult challenges brought on by MS. Here she managed with courage and dignity, supported by her care givers, her family members and her dear friends.

I want to give my last word to Julia’s lifelong friend from girlhood days, Sarah Swanick. Sarah wrote to me, after Julia’s death, these words: ‘Julia was a very special friend, unbelievably stubborn, as opinionated as her father on occasion, as kind as her dear mother, often as singular as Joanna – and, hopefully, wherever she may be now, enjoying lots of cats, her cigarettes and a very large G & T whilst catching up with all family and friends who went before her.’ Amen to that.
James Cadzow Smith CBE FREng FRSE (1928–2018)

Foundation Fellow from 1993

Paul Buckley (Emeritus Fellow)

James Smith was an engineer whose career started with an engineering apprenticeship in Edinburgh, and later saw him at the helm of one of the UK’s largest electricity supply companies.

James’s first jobs were at sea, in the merchant navy as a marine engineer: he became Chief Engineer of a large merchant vessel. He later said this experience was vital preparation for his future roles in management of large engineering enterprises.

After some years at sea, James switched his attention to the then recently nationalised electricity generation industry. It was a logical progression, as he saw it, both industries being so dependent on steam turbines. He moved in 1952 to the forerunner of the South of Scotland Electricity Board, and after that he worked in power generation in the Midlands, before being appointed in 1973 as Director of Engineering and then Chief Executive of the Northern Ireland Electricity Service (1975–1977). This was a huge responsibility for him, being only in his forties. From there he went on to be Chairman, first of the East Midlands Electricity Board (1977–1982) and then of the Eastern Electricity Board (1982–1990). He was an effective leader; and this even reached the popular press. When a severe storm wreaked havoc across large parts of East Anglia in October 1987, leaving over 250,000 homes without electricity, local newspapers remarked on how swiftly the company intervened, drafting in help from across the country and restoring supplies quickly. It was reported that James received a personal ‘thank you’ from the government’s Energy Secretary, Cecil Parkinson.

By now James was a prominent figure in the electricity supply industry, and he received numerous honours during this period – to mention a few: Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh (1981), Freeman of the City of London (1984), Fellow of the Royal Academy of Engineering (1988), and CBE (1989). He was awarded an honorary doctorate (LLD) by Strathclyde.
University (1988) and he served as President of the Institution of Electrical Engineers (1989–1990).

Then came the Thatcher government’s privatisation of the electricity supply industry. As a senior industry figure, James played an influential role in representing the new electricity supply companies in their negotiations with government on details of the deal. Hence, in 1990 the Eastern Electricity Board became a company, Eastern Electricity, with James serving initially as both Chairman and CEO. He relinquished the CEO role in 1993, and finally retired from the company as Chairman in 1995. His contribution to the industry had been immense. Eastern Electricity was the largest electricity supply company in England, in terms of numbers of customers. It was later renamed Eastern Group and was eventually bought by Hanson plc.

James was passionate in his belief in the importance of engineering to the nation’s prosperity. He was also far-sighted, urging recognition of the potential of electricity for solving the world’s mounting environmental problems. He pursued his interest in the environment actively after retirement from Eastern Group, serving as Chairman of the Natural Environment Research Council (1997–2000). Another of James’s great interests in retirement was the work of the engineers’ Livery Company: the Worshipful Company of Engineers. He had originally joined in 1984, and he served as Master of the Company in 1997–1998. He later described how he worked hard during that year to improve links between the City financial institutions and the practice of engineering.

After privatisation, with Eastern Electricity an independent private company, James was keen to develop its commitment to research, and to education of the next generation of professional electrical engineers. Having got to know Balliol through mutual acquaintances, he was inspired to realise this goal through Balliol’s commitment to engineering, and to seek means of developing links between his company and the College. Under James’s leadership this resulted, in 1993, in Eastern Electricity endowing a Fellowship in Engineering at Balliol, now named the Eastern Electricity Fellowship. The current holder of the Fellowship is Professor Dominic O’Brien. James also made generous personal donations to the College.

At this time, Balliol was growing its development activities, and one of the steps taken was to establish a new kind of Fellowship – a Foundation Fellowship – to recognise and thank major benefactors. James was elected in 1993 as one of the College’s first Foundation Fellows. His contribution was
also recognised by the University and he was appointed to the Chancellor’s Court of Benefactors.

James clearly treasured his link with Balliol and the University. In 1995 he gave the Department of Engineering Science’s annual public lecture – the Maurice Lubbock Memorial Lecture. He helped with continued College fundraising by serving on the Balliol Campaign Board. He was a regular attender at College events such as the annual Snell Dinner. I recall many a stimulating conversation with him over a drink in the Buttery. Through his eighties he remained sharp and original in his observations, and not without a sense of humour. Always inspiring for those of us with a stake in the subject were his enthusiasm and optimism for engineering’s contribution to society. He encouraged us tutors through the interest he showed in engineering at Balliol: our students, our teaching, and the research we were pursuing.

However, conversations with James were certainly not confined to engineering. He was a man with wide interests beyond his profession. He clearly had a special passion for walking and mountaineering, and he loved music and drama. His church was also important to him. Alastair Howatson, Emeritus Fellow and fellow Scot, has described him as a ‘thoughtful churchman, in the Presbyterian tradition’.

In his 90th year James succumbed to illness and he died on 10 July 2018. He had made major contributions to the College. Perhaps the most obvious is the significant funding that he brought in. This will help assure the future of engineering as a strand of the College’s teaching, and contribution to intellectual life more generally, for years to come. But in addition, his personal support was greatly valued. Engineering is a practical subject, concerned with meeting everyday needs of real people. The academic world facilitates it through teaching and research, but it is practised in the world of industry, technology and the built environment, including factories and power stations such as those James managed. He brought to the College and University a rich experience of success in business and engineering practice that was a less tangible but no less valuable contribution. He is sadly missed.
Ronnie McIntosh and I first coincided in 1965 in the newly created Department of Economic Affairs (DEA). He was already a Deputy Secretary whereas I was fresh from university. Only later, when I had learnt my economics working for Tommy Balogh (Fellow 1945–1973) and then, aided by Balogh’s support, moved to Balliol, did I discover the multiple overlaps in our lives. We had been to the same school, Charterhouse; there was the connection with Balliol (where he had been an undergraduate, both before and after the war); he had learnt his economics at the feet of Tommy; and he owed his position at the DEA to Balogh.

However, I only really become fully conscious of him in July 1973 when he reached the peak of his career as Director General of the National Economic Development Office (NEDO, known as Neddy). Back then, economic planning was a smart French idea which we should copy, Keynesianism flourished, growth averaged 2–3 per cent per annum and an Oxford house could be bought for less than three times the salary of an academic. But, within months, war in the Middle East, the quadrupling of oil prices and Edward Heath’s battle with the coal miners brought the so-called Golden Age to an abrupt end.

In his autobiography, *Turbulent Times*, Ronnie gives a vivid account of that autumn of 1973 when he did everything possible to use Neddy as a place to build consensus, but Heath and the other ‘hard’ men in the Tory Party refused any compromise with the miners. The current bifurcation in British politics, especially the split over Europe, might even be traced back to this critical period. Heath’s failure undoubtedly opened the door for Thatcher, and her policies were at least as much ‘anti-Heath’ as ‘pro-conservative’.

All of this was anathema to Ronnie. He was an extremely talented, charming, middle ground, dedicated public servant, with the guts to speak his mind. Having been in the war and been close friends with both Heath (1935) and Roy Jenkins (1938), a direct contemporary at Balliol, he was passionately pro-European. And, it must be added, hugely appreciative of, and supportive of, Balliol, writing in one of his last messages to the College that he wished most ‘to help people from families that have never had anyone at a university, to get to Balliol and stay the course there’.

I miss him – for his sanity, his warmth, his ability, and his values.
David G. Hindley (1952)

Jo Hindley (1984)

David G. Hindley died from Alzheimer’s on 16 November 2018, aged 85.

Born in Roundhay, Leeds, in 1933, David was proud to be a Yorkshire lad and a Balliol man. He attended Bury Grammar School, where his father, Colin (Wadham, 1920), was History master. He showed early talent on the piano and played the organ at Heywood St Methodist Church. At Balliol he read Music, specialising in composition. In June 1954 his Overture to The Taming of the Shrew had its première in the Holywell Music Room, conducted by ‘Tod’ (Vernon) Handley (1952); Sinfonietta, dedicated to Olga, his girlfriend-soon-to-be-wife, had its première in Oxford Town Hall, conducted by Professor (later) Sir Jack Westrup (1922).

After graduation, David took up a position as Music master at Huddersfield College, subsequently Huddersfield New College. In 1963, he was appointed Senior Lecturer heading the Music Department at Homerton College, Cambridge. These were halcyon days for the Homerton BEd music degree, which achieved a new dynamic status for creative music at the heart of the curriculum in schools throughout East Anglia and beyond. He took early retirement in 1985 to refocus on composition.

In the 1970s David had begun experimenting with recording skylarks. In the plain-looking songbird he found his muse. Using a 4-speed Revox tape-recorder, he slowed down Victor C. Lewis’ vinyl recording of a skylark singing in Herefordshire on 12.6.69, 16 times. Then he notated what he heard onto manuscript, revealing a song of 200 notes per second ‘not bound by scale or beat’ that includes ‘trills and glissandi curving in microtonal pitch’ and is ‘through-composed’ having ‘themes’ which periodically recur with ‘improvisatory passages’ that ‘develop’ motif, shape and pattern. In the

David was a man ahead of his time. He explored the crossover between music and wildlife sound recording before zoomusicology had a name. A Greenpeace supporter from the early days, he composed the song of the extinct New Zealand Huia for BirdLife International’s 1992 *Lifesong* CD, raising concern for endangered bird species only now being taken seriously.

Fifty years on from Lewis’ skylark recording, Rolf Hind premièred David’s ‘Three Songs for Piano’, inspired by the woodlark, nightingale and skylark, at the David Hindley Memorial Concert on 16 June 2019.

David is survived by Olga, his daughters Karen and Jo, and his grandson Theo.

**Timothy Potts (1957)**

**Norman Coles (1957)**

I have been a friend of Timothy’s since 1957. At first – and for a time – I did not realise how unusual he was in his open-mindedness and pursuit of truth in all investigation. Not many people who had had years of study to be a cleric (though finally he was not one) would at once take in all aspects of modern linguistic philosophy and formal logic (including modal logic) and enter into open yet skilled debate on issues in these disciplines. He had, also, great learning – yet he wore it lightly.

He was always willing to help all he met. But he never sought popularity and would always prefer truth to such popularity. This was the spirit in which he engaged in all philosophical discussion and made philosophy his life’s work. He was learned also in theology and its context and history. He would wish me to conclude this tribute by saying that in all friendship and in all that his Christian faith meant to him he always sought the truth. When he was critical of some aspect of the Roman Catholic Church it was because he loved truth and loved it not in theory alone but in practice.

Many, many people owe a very great debt to his thoughtful and highly professional teaching – and he carried out this work not only in Leeds in the UK but in Michigan in the USA. He also worked for a year in Germany. His
pupils were lucky to have so brave and so learned a teacher. He was a wise counsellor and all his students gained from his love of truth his guidance, and indeed his friendship – gifts that enriched all their lives. All who had his friendship are greatly in his debt.

Peter Wetherall (1978)

Chris Start (1977)

Born in 1956, Peter died of cancer on 11 September 2018 in Melbourne. Two weeks later, hundreds gathered for a celebration of Peter’s life to share their memories.

‘I am so proud of the person Peter was, and I would just like to take a few moments to tell you why,’ were the opening words, from Peter’s son Harry. He concluded with his Dad’s last visit to Oxford, two months before he died, to support Harry’s desire to study here: ‘a man who refused to complain about his condition, who flew to the other side of the world in great pain, just to help me achieve my dreams . . . because for him it was what you do for your kids.’

I recalled Peter at Balliol (rugby, rowing, JCR Treasurer, his genius for econometrics and toga parties) and that we had been close friends for 40 years. I last saw Peter in June. He knew he was dying, but still, like all good Balliol folk, we reminisced, we laughed and we put the world to rights.

‘All of us here today are the lucky ones; lucky to be able to say we knew Peter Wetherall,’ said Mark Cubit, a colleague and friend for 30 years. Greg Marks worked at Wallara Asset Management, which Peter founded and built into an industry leader: ‘Peter’s style was to lead by example. He didn’t tell you what to do; he set the benchmark.’ Greg also spoke of Peter’s decision to close the firm after almost two decades, ‘As usual, after serious consideration, he made the right decision.’ He continued, ‘And then Peter looked after the staff.’

Lin Bender, of the Helen Macpherson-Smith Trust, described Peter (who read PPE) as ‘a true Renaissance man, a Rhodes Scholar, a brilliant
writer, a polymath’ and spoke for all: ‘We greatly miss Peter’s intellect, talent, compassion, humour, wise counsel and above all his friendship.’

Deborah Taylor, his wife of 30 years, and Ann Chapman, a friend during his Balliol days and his partner in recent years, spoke graciously and movingly of their loss. Deborah quoted Byron: ‘the heart must pause to breathe,/And love itself have rest.’ Ann shared that she was ‘honoured and privileged to love and care for him in the last phase of his life’.

Harry said, ‘What I’m really proud of is the way Dad treated other people.’ Everyone agreed, and that is what made his life a life worth celebrating.

William Field (1981)

William Field – known to many at Balliol as Bill – died in December 2018 at the ridiculously early age of 56, following a heart attack.

Born in 1962, William grew up in west London, went to Ealing Green High School, and arrived at Balliol in 1981 to study PPE. He was a stalwart of Balliol Left Caucus, an enthusiastic member of the Cuppers-winning Second XI in football, and directed and appeared in many theatrical productions across Oxford – reaching the pinnacle of his acting career when he took on the role of Prince Charming in the Balliol panto of 1983.

After Oxford, William worked as a researcher for Austin Mitchell MP, studied television production at the Royal College of Art and freelanced with Bain & Co. In 1989, he joined the management consulting division of Coopers & Lybrand.

In 1993, William was part of a team that set up Spectrum Strategy Consultants, providing specialist advice to the media sector. Over the next 15 years, he became managing director for Europe, and built Spectrum’s sports practice. Among other projects, he helped the Premier League develop the process by which it has valued and sold its rights so successfully since the early 2000s, and he worked with UEFA to develop its digital proposition. He was also instrumental in creating the collegiate culture that distinguished Spectrum from other consultancies.
William set up Prospero Strategy Consultants in 2007, providing advice to sports and media companies. His work covered racing, football, rugby, cricket and many other sports. He advised on broadcast and digital media strategies, technology and rights across the US, Europe and Asia. He was a frequent media commentator.

He combined deep understanding of all the elements of sports management – sponsorship, organisation, governance, public policy, technology and rights – with strong and rigorous consulting capabilities. As a result, he was highly respected by his clients and colleagues.

William was also brilliantly funny and obsessively argumentative. He was a loyal, passionate, and often frustrated, supporter of both Chelsea FC and the Labour Party.

He applied his systematic approach to his many interests: gardening, wine, cooking, music (his tastes were wide-ranging – from early music and Purcell to recent discoveries like Beak and Julia Holter) and his online Hattrick football team. At the time of his death, he was Hattrick’s reigning English champion.

William and I got together at Balliol and married in 1993. We have three children: Matilda, Jake and Stella.
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