



THE OLD RUSSELLIANS NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2010

Please see below forthcoming O.R. and RRS events to which you are invited.

- Sunday 7th November 2010: Fireworks Display and Fun Fair - Gates open 5.30pm
 - Sunday 14th November 2010: Remembrance Sunday Service in Chapel at 10am
 - Saturday 20th November 2010: RRS Christmas Fair in Great Hall at 1pm
 - Friday 26th November 2010: Annual Dinner at The Chateau Restaurant at 7.30 for 8pm (preceded by AGM at RRS for those interested)
 - Sunday 12th December 2010: RRS Christmas Carol Service at 6.30pm in Great Hall
 - Monday 13th December 2010: 31 Years of Basketball at RRS - a new annual event starting at 5pm - drinks and buffet afterwards
 - Saturday 2nd April 2011: Annual Footie and Mixed Hockey Tournaments - see website for details and organisers
 - Saturday 21st May 2011: Biennial Reunion with PWG Memorial Cricket Match and JAC Memorial Rounders Match
 - Friday 10th June 2011: Riverside Reunion at The Old Thameside Inn on Bankside from 7pm
- Please click on relevant links to obtain additional information on all articles and events <http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/Events/index>.



ANNUAL DINNER 2010

After the success of last year's Annual Dinner held at The Chateau Restaurant, Coombe Lane, the O.R. Committee voted that this was a great venue and a good price for a fun evening out with old and new friends, and a great meal with good wine. Tickets are available from Julia Powell and we suggest that groups of friends get together into tables of 8 if possible. Ali Ansari (1978-1986) is photographed here sporting the new O.R. tie (available for £15 from Julia Powell. http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/Message_board/For_Sale.php)

RECENT VISITS



Gerald Hood's sad death in 1945 is now well documented. Since the 2007 reunion Brain Angel (1938-1947) has been in contact with Gerald's relatives and in June they visited the school. They were touched at the medals, glass plaque and photos that we hold and have generously lent the school his Service Citation to have framed and keep with the other memorabilia. The Old Russellians also wish to thank Brian Angel and Colin Leggett (Contingent Commander of the CCF) who joined us for the day. This, and other recent visits, can be viewed at: http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/Events/Recent_Visits.php

THE PENSUM

Thanks to Neil Blannin (1968-1978), pictured here at this year's O.R. Hockey Tournament, we now have the words and meaning of The Pensum. This, and other school 'slanguage', can be found on the website:



http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/archive_old/R/School_Slanguage_Archive.php

NEW ZEALAND REUNION



O.R. Treasurer Julia Lee (1982-1988) organised a reunion this July in New Zealand. Full details can be found at: <http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/Events/index.php> and click on Events 2010. Pictured LtoR: Ann Turner, Norman Scott-Morrison, John Nowlan, Julia Lee, Nicholas Lee, Richard West, Noreen Stratford.

OLD RUSSELLIAN PRESENTS PRIZES AT ROYAL RUSSELL DAY 2010

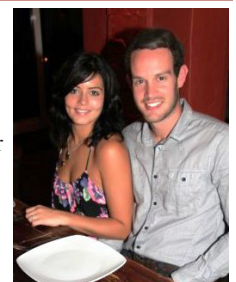


Royal Russell was delighted that Colonel Murdo Urquhart (1966-1976) was able to present the prizes at both the Senior and Junior School Prize Giving ceremonies on Saturday 3rd July 2010. Murdo is photographed here with Headmaster, Dr John Jennings. More details about Murdo can be found at: <http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/Events/index.php> and click on Events 2010

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Clare Smith (2000-2004) and Jonathan Escott (1996-2003) whose engagement was announced in October 2010.



Congratulations to Simon Jones (1991-1998) and Crystal on the birth of their son James on 4th April 2010.

BATTLE OF BRITAIN

The O.R. Chairman, Karl Yabsley (1978-1982) represented the Old Russellians in September at the Battle of Britain Service of Thanksgiving, 70th Anniversary, at St Luke's Church in Whyteleafe. After the official ceremony RRS cadets laid a wreath at the grave of Arthur Dumbell Smith (O.R. 1927-1933),



O.R. NARROW BOAT TRIP

Bill Cave (1946-1953) held his annual narrow boat trip on the River Wey near Woking, Surrey, on 28th August 2010. The photo can be found in Events 2010.

CONDOLENCES



FRANCIS MacMAHON (at school 1939-1953) died on 29th June 2010 at his home in Stevenage. Francis is pictured here. DONALD MacQUEEN (at school 1929-1937) died on 1st September 2010. Details of these, and other, Old Russellians who have sadly died this year can be found at: http://www.royalrussell.co.uk/announcements/In_Memoriam.php

PLEASE CONTINUE TO GIVE US YOUR NEWS AND PHOTOGRAPHS!

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