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## Chairman's Comments

First of all profound apologies for the delay in getting this newsletter out. Much of the work had been done by the end of term but more great news came rolling in and I had a knee replacement significantly limiting my time at the keyboard. Anyway the Newsletter is on its way and we have had some great news from the school and OSs over the past few months.

The IB results are outstanding and reflect well on the students and staff who have coped extremely well with the chaos generated by Covid. Congratulations to all IB students and we wish you every success in the next phase of your life and welcome you back in November to the OSA Ball. Please make sure we have your up to date contact details.

The unity of the school has been exemplified by both the support for the Ukraine and the impressive attendance at Lords with the ECB and their Unity Statement ahead of the test match. In addition the school won a prestigious BSA Award and has been nominated in a number of categories in the Independent School of the Year 2022.

As ever OSs and students have been very busy showing that a Scarborough College education stays with you for many years. Drama, Music, sport, trips, the Lyke Wake Walk and Duke of Edinburgh Award have all been part of the experiences on offer and we are delighted to report the significant progress on the Bramcote Athletics track.

As an Association we are dependent on being able to get information through to former students and would ask all to ensure that we have your up to date contact details.

John Rowlands



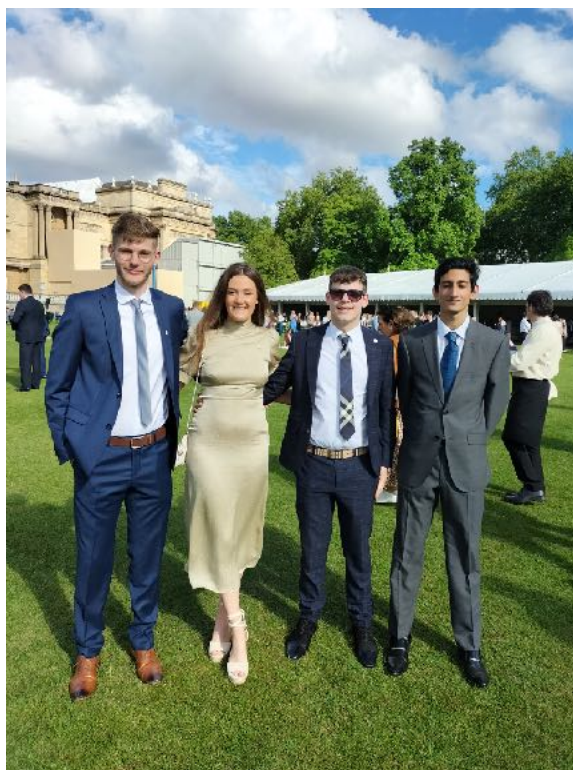
## News of Members

### Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award

It was a proud moment last Monday when I stood in Buckingham Palace Gardens listening to five ex-pupils reminiscing and sharing stories about their Gold Duke of Edinburgh expeditions. They all agreed that, looking back, it was physically demanding and there were lots of 'I can't do this - it's too hard!' moments, but overall they remembered their expeditions as being full of laughter and all had great fun because they were sharing the experience with their friends.

The weather forecast for Monday was for a sunny 21 degrees with a scattering of occasional cloud - I checked every day on the run up to the event to see whether I needed a coat - but, in true Duke of Edinburgh fashion, one lone black cloud settled above the Palace Gardens and gave us a good soaking for ten minutes - it just reminded us of how easily the weather can change in the middle of a 20K walk in the Yorkshire Dales or the Lake District, only this time none of us were dressed appropriately for that particular bit of weather.

The Gold Award Celebration at the Palace was hosted by His Royal Highness, The Earl of Wessex and Forfar (Prince Edward) and many other well known Olympians, Celebrities, Adventurers and inspirational speakers were there to share their own stories regarding Careers, Life Goals and Extreme Physical Endurance Challenges that they have faced and overcome. 2,750 Gold Award achievers from across the UK had been invited to this event along with regional DofE Leaders and Volunteers. It was the first time since 2019 that this event had taken place due to COVID and everyone enjoyed their day sipping tea and eating a cup cake made by the Palace Kitchens. Tom, Laila, Hattie, Harry and Ehsaan all agreed that the experience of being there was well worth carrying heavy rucksacks filled with enough clothing and food for 4 days of walking along with tents, cooking Trangias and utensils, a sleeping bag and roll mat, head light/torch and anything else that you can fit in to make those four days slightly more bearable.



*L-R Tom Thornton, Hattie Gillingham, Harry Bulmer and Ehsaan Ahmad.*



Allison Barnes

*L-R Mr Thornton (Tom's Dad), Richard Robson, Tom Thornton  
(Head of School 2018-19),*

*Laila Starkey (Class of 2019), Ehsaan Ahmad (Class of 2020) and Mrs Barnes*



**Max Teasdale - OSA Travel Scholarship - 2022 - continued**

2013-21

Returning to the island was filled full of new experiences. On the first day back I decided to do the advanced open water certification so that meant I did a shore dive only going to depths of 15 feet. We had to do peak performance buoyancy which included going through hoops without touching them and knocking a brick over with our nose using only our breaths to alter our buoyancy. The first lesson was concerning mayan culture, learning about traditional mayan rituals and sacrifices. There are multiple different dive locations and although we get about 40 lionfish each dive there still are so many to kill, you will be swimming and find a bit of coral with about 5 surrounding it. They also all vary in size as some can be as small as 8 centimetres or as big as 38 centimetres which can be quite hard to kill when they are that small! This week as I did my advanced certification we were allowed to do a night dive in which we saw multiple eagle rays, octopi, yellow stingrays and bioluminescent fish. During the night dive we also turned off our flashlights, resulting in the group being in pitch darkness allowing for an array of bioluminescent fish to surround us. During the dives we would use symbols to point out fish and learn about all of their attributes allowing us to easily recognise which could be caught and which couldn't. The staff were very knowledgeable about the reefs and the conservation of the reef as when we were hunting for lionfish as they would normally be by coral sometimes the divemaster would tell us to push the lionfish away from the alive coral in order to protect it.

As I said before we fillet the lionfish but we also cut the tails off of them to make jewellery so nothing goes to waste from the lionfish and when we are done with filleting we throw the remains into the water and wait to observe nurse sharks and moray eels eat them.

We did another beach cleanup on the Wednesday and managed to get around 8 bags full of rubbish from the ocean and it was amazing to see how our efforts from last week was still visible as there was little rubbish in the areas we cleaned in the week before.

We also learnt about the great pacific garbage patch and the damage that this causes but also of the company called The Ocean Cleanup who have designed a floating system that catches all of the garbage that is on the surface. As this is still amazing, a lot of waste still sinks or floats partially therefore not being picked up from the device but their main aim now is to catch plastic as this floats so is easy to pick up.

At the end of the week we have a massive buffet where all staff and volunteers sit down together and eat and reminisce on the brilliance of the past week. The food is astonishing seeing as there is no access to fresh water on the island.

All the dives were amazing and we saw a wide array of fishes each being able to identify them. Everything we did on the island was very meaningful and I would definitely do it again as I met so many new people and had the best time.

In the first photo from week two you can see abby explaining what we are looking for when dissecting lionfish. We measured the total length to assess the growth, body condition and population size structure. We noted the gender and the stomach contents to figure out the gender ratio in population, health assessment and feeding ecology.

Thank you again for this opportunity and it's such a good idea for past members of Scarborough College as it was really enlightening for me to do this considering the area of work I wish to do.



## From Max

Max has kept in touch with the OSA, sent regular updates - internet access permitting - and some stunning pictures of his experiences on the reef.



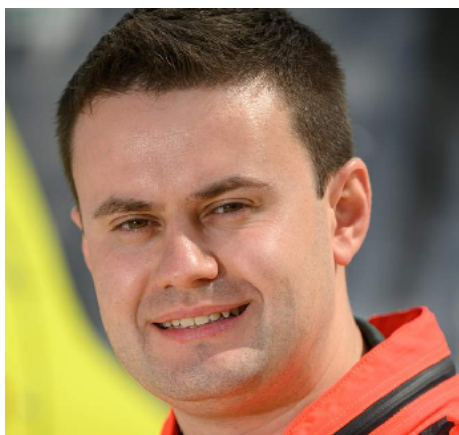


**Ozzy Stringer**

Ozzy, who the OSA sponsored to the tune of £500 to help with the costs incurred in his triathlon competitions travelled to Llanelli, south Wales, in May, to compete and came second in the Yorkshire entry and finished near the top of the field. We wish him well for the rest of the season.

**Sam Berridge - YAA**

Lodge 07-10



Sam Berridge has been seconded from Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust on an initial six-month basis. He is one of seven new helicopter emergency medical service (HEMS) paramedics to join the Yorkshire Air Ambulance team.

The new members form part of the Yorkshire Air Ambulance Critical Care Team, comprising a team of anaesthetic and emergency medicine consultants, and 23 paramedics who work as crew on the two YAA helicopters.

They will help deliver the life-saving service 365 days a year to five million people across Yorkshire.

Sam lives in Bridlington and began his career working in the Coastguard Search and Rescue Team for nine years before joining the ambulance service in 2016. He worked his way up to team leader before joining the YAA.

He said: "I wanted to work for Yorkshire Air Ambulance because it's the best air ambulance in the country and brings the very best care to critically ill patients." "Working in the fantastic small critical care team will allow me to be part of this."

Go to [www.yorkshireairambulance.org.uk](http://www.yorkshireairambulance.org.uk) to find out more about the YAA or to donate to the service.

Image courtesy of John Gardner Photography



**Jennie Jackson - Trekking in the Rockies**

Crews 1980-85



"This all started with my BIG birthday nearly three years ago ! I decided to accompany my cousin Emma Briggs and participate with the team at St Catherine's Hospice in the challenge to trek along the stunning Canadian Rockies. A bucket list challenge for me. With Covid, this has been re-scheduled three times."

Jennie is no stranger to challenges. She has tackled the Worlds Fasted Zip Line - with speeds over 100mph over Penryhn Quarry, Snowdonia on her BIG birthday March 2019. This was an amazing experience and she thoroughly enjoyed. Her view - "What a way to spend your 50th."

The next challenge was another bucket list challenge which involved a Wing Walk in October 2021. This entailed standing on the wing of an authentic Boeing Stearman Biplane travelling at speeds up to 135mph !! (she was strapped on of course !) This had been cancelled four times, so was a massive relief and buzz to actually do this. The pilot said he'd never seen anyone to laugh so much throughout the experience as much as Jennie did. The next challenge is a Microlight Experience - another bucket list challenge - this will be booked in ASAP, again Jennie hopes to raise even more funds to St Catherine's Hospice where sadly, her own dad recently made use of the excellent facilities that were offered by this wonderful Hospice. Heartbreakingly he died after a short illness. But the amount of help and care all received was amazing. The family can never thank them enough.



The St Catherine's group finally left for Alberta in early July. The challenge was quite formidable and the group had been undertaking preparatory work in the local area of North Yorkshire. The challenge involved 5 days of trekking in Alberta - Lake Louise, Mirror Lake, and Lake Agnes. She described the experience as fantastic and emotional. "Setting our own tents up ourselves, sleeping on the ground, we have moved camp 3 times made our own lunches





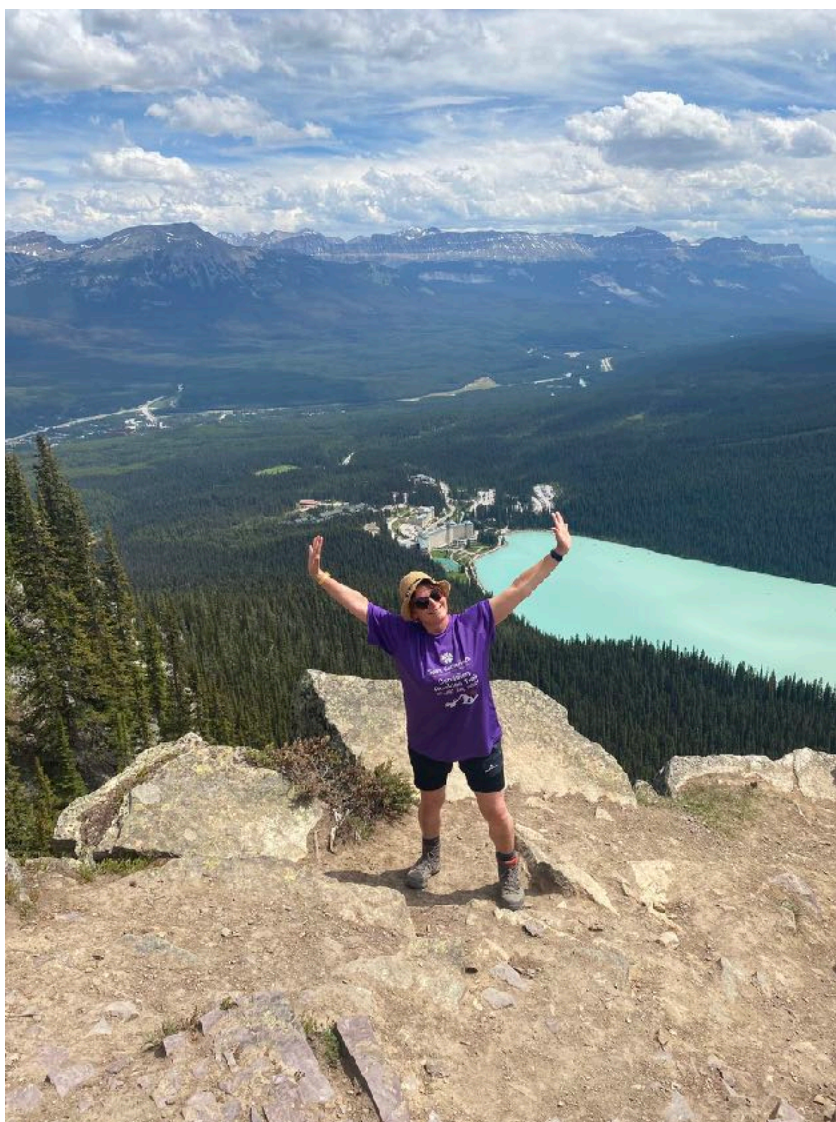


and carried our heavy packs with lots of water. We've been eaten by mosquitoes!! We bear-proofed belongings daily & made some fabulous new friends...it's safe to say that I've had the most amazing and fulfilling time travelling around Banff, Lake Louise, Jasper & Calgary aided by our amazing & patient hiking guides & drivers Marie & Martin. Emma twisted her ankle on the first day falling over but we have done it and would not change a thing amazing adventure for a brilliant cause. Donations still can be given to Saint Catherine's Scarborough."

Prior to their return a quick visit to Niagara was a richly deserved reward where Zipline Niagara Falls, Niagara Falls at night the lights and fireworks, went to the USA side of the falls, Maid of the Mist, Observation Tower, Cave of the Winds, bus tour all around the area, the Skylon Tower were thoroughly enjoyed. Especially the view from the hotel room!

The trek raised over £30k to date for the hospice Saint Catherine's Scarborough which is a mighty achievement indeed.

The fundraising is still ongoing so should anyone feel they could help out the charity further then PLEASE do click on the JustGiving link <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Jennie-Jackson3> where your donation is sent straight to Saint Catherine's Hospice where it's needed most.





**Ava Fryer & Max Teasdale - RNLI Lifeguards in action in Bridlington**

The lifeguard team at Bridlington South beach assisted in the first aid of a three-year-old child. At around 11am, two parents contacted the Bridlington South lifeguard hut seeking aid for their child, who was having a seizure. Senior lifeguard Ava Fryer (2012-2019) immediately undertook a series of medical checks, before fellow lifeguard Max Teasdale (2013-2021) gave the child oxygen.

Unfortunately, the child's state quickly declined so the lifeguard duo called the Coastguard for assistance. With a steady flow of oxygen, the child quickly recovered and was sitting up and interacting with videos when the paramedics arrived.

Lifeguard Supervisor Rianna Manson praised the parents for visiting a lifeguarded beach.

"It was great of the parents to take their child to a lifeguarded beach over the hot weekend," said Rianna.

"As soon as they found themselves in any trouble, our lifeguards were on hand to help.

"Our lifeguards have received brilliant first-aid training, which is essential and even lifesaving when waiting for further medical assistance to arrive."



**Wave Crookes - SeaGrown**

Marske 1985-92

Congratulations to OS Wave Crookes who featured on the One Show May 16th, talking about SeaGrown and what seaweed farming could mean for the oceans, the planet and climate change.



We have recently heard via the Scarborough News that SeaGrown have won a Government contract to help increase renewable energy. Biomass will form an important part of the UK's future renewable energy mix, which will be vital for ensuring the UK's energy security and reducing reliance on expensive fossil fuels.

Wave Crookes, SeaGrown operations manager, said: "SeaGrown is very pleased to have won this opportunity to contribute to the UK's Net Zero Innovation Portfolio.

"Seaweed is an incredibly versatile and sustainable source of biomass which shows great promise in our efforts to mitigate climate change. During this project, we are working with a multi-disciplinary team to transform the UK seaweed farming industry.

"We are proud to be working with Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) in this forward-looking programme to achieve this."

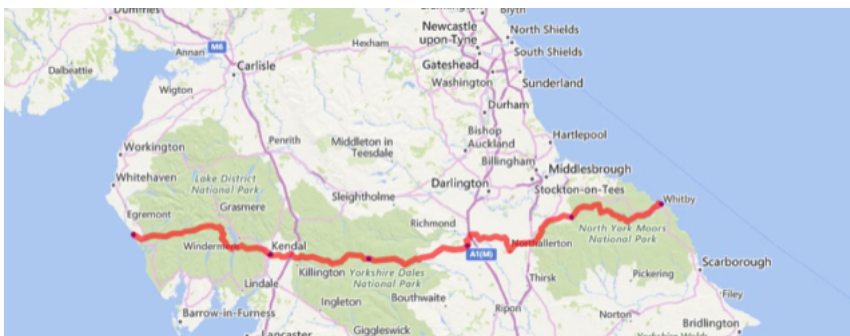
Seaweed can be used for many different applications such as pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, food, bioplastics, and fertilisers to name a few, but perhaps the most exciting thing is its ability to draw down large amounts of carbon dioxide from the earth's atmosphere as it grows.

At the same time as absorbing carbon, seaweed releases oxygen into the surrounding water, uses up excess nutrients and creates new habitats allowing marine life such as fish, mammals, and birds to flourish.



**Bridget Houlston - 150 miles in a day!**

Holbeck 1991-95



Bridget, took on one of the most demanding cycle rides 150 miles from Seascale in Cumbria to Whitby in one day. She faced ascents totalling 4,500m as the route headed through the Lake District including the brutal climbs of Hardknott and Wrynose, crossing the Yorkshire Dales, the Vale of York and the wild North York Moors, before finishing in Whitby.

Photo -Andy Milton



Bridget had intended to tackle the ride in 2020 but Covid intervened. She was undertaking the challenge in the hope of raising £2000 in memory of her father Eric who passed away 12 years ago. This is a very demanding challenge and Bridget had tackled a few 100 mile rides in the Dales which boosted her confidence. On July 9th she set off, 11 hours 36 minutes of riding she arrived in Whitby.





Photo - Eric Pye



Bridget said she surpassed any of her expectations and was 63rd out of 401 finishers and the 4th lady back! There is still time to sponsor Bridget for this epic achievement at [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/in-memory-of-eric-houlston](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/in-memory-of-eric-houlston)



Bridget is no stranger to finding new challenges whilst at the same time raising money for Saint Catherine's. Her CV includes climbing Kilimanjaro, Stok Kangri in Ladakh and run/walking the Coast to Coast. But one of her proudest achievements came in 2016 when she undertook the Hardmoors Grandslam - a series of 4 ultra runs across the Cleveland Way. Leg 1 was 30 miles, leg 2 was 55 miles, leg 3 was the whole 110 miles of the Cleveland Way and the final leg was 62 miles. "Each of these races pushed both my physical and mental strength to the limit so I think it is fitting to raise over £1500 for such a good cause and in memory of my late father," said Bridget.

"These feats of endurance and physical endeavour might be a bit of a shock to my old PE teachers as I was so unsporty and couldn't run a mile without stopping. It just goes to show that with hard work and dedication you can succeed."

Bridget is currently in training for the Helvellyn Triathlon, held in September. It is described as one of the toughest triathlons in the world, comprising a 1500m swim, 59km cycle and a 15km run.



**Phill Fordham - Armed Forces Day National Event Scarborough**

2002-08



Lieutenant Phill Fordham's sub hunting Merlin helicopter was among the first of many fly pasts at the national Armed Forces celebrations hosted by Scarborough. Normally Phill and his helicopter are based at Culdrose, near Helston, Cornwall or operating in the Atlantic with a Royal Navy frigate.

He headed to his home town, having recently taken part in the Jubilee celebrations, flying alongside comrades from the Fleet Air Arm - over Buckingham Palace. Phill said that "On a personal level, taking part in the national Armed Forces Day is a huge honour for me. I get to fly over my home town and the school where my involvement in the Cadets kicked off my military career."

Lt Fordham leads a team of aircrew and engineers from 814 Naval Air squadron, nicknamed the Flying Tigers. He added that it was an opportunity to show thanks for the public's support and to pay respects to veterans and those no longer with us.

Phill has been a pilot in the squadron for four years and has been deployed to the Western Atlantic and has operated in the Arctic. One of the highlights of his career has been qualifying to land a big helicopter on the back of a small ship at sea.



Photo - Rod Newton

Speaking of his time at the College, Phill said, "if it wasn't for my time in the CCF at Scarborough I wouldn't be where I am today. Scarborough College gave me so many opportunities that I remain grateful for to this day. After leaving Scarborough I wasn't sure what I wanted to do, only a week before I was supposed to take up my university place I opted for a gap year, working for a few months whilst my Naval application went through. Since joining I've learned so much and achieved higher education through the Navy's in-service degree scheme. I would recommend it to anyone."



**Jason Liversidge - Second world record**

Marske 1984-92

Jason Liversidge, recipient of 2021's Alumni Award has been pushing himself yet again. Despite a tracheostomy, kidney failure and a cardiac arrest a few months ago - as well as Motor Neurone Disease - he controlled the specially adapted wheelchair with slight movements of switches around his head, allowing him to move forward, left and right.

On Monday, August 1st he raced around Elvington Race Track in York three times, clocking up speeds of up to 48mph, giving him an average of 41.82mph - a world record for the Fastest Head Controlled Electric Wheelchair. His record was ratified on August 4th.

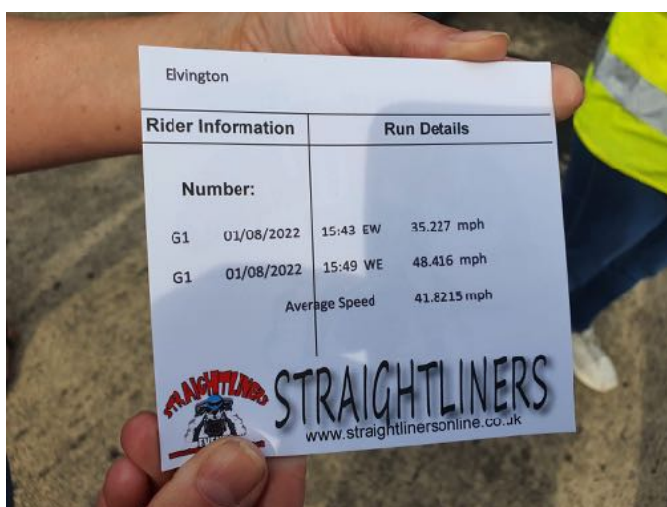


Jason broke his first world record in 2020, when he recorded 67mph for an electric all-terrain mobility vehicle. This has led to a double page spread in the Guinness World Record book.

The determined dad was cheered on by his girls Lilly, ten, and Poppy, nine, who have now nicknamed him 'Superman'.



Wife Liz added: "They didn't want him to do it at first. They were there at his first world record, and I think that was enough for them. But because he has been poorly lately, and in and out of hospital, they were not really looking forward to him going and doing it."





**Phil Wilson - Senior Master**

1973-86 Lisvane/Lodge  
Staff since 1993



We are delighted to inform members of the promotion of Phil Wilson - Head of Middle Tier, Teacher of Business Studies & Head of Psychology. The Head, Guy Emmett, offers the following.

“Pastorally and academically we have some internal staffing announcements to make and I am proud to say Phil Wilson will become Senior Master from September. He will continue to support Year 10 and 11 but he will undertake a new role, which will enable him to provide support to all pupils and colleagues. He has taught here for 29 years and as an Old Scadeburgian he is an inspiration to us all. “





**In Memorium****Holly Dresser**

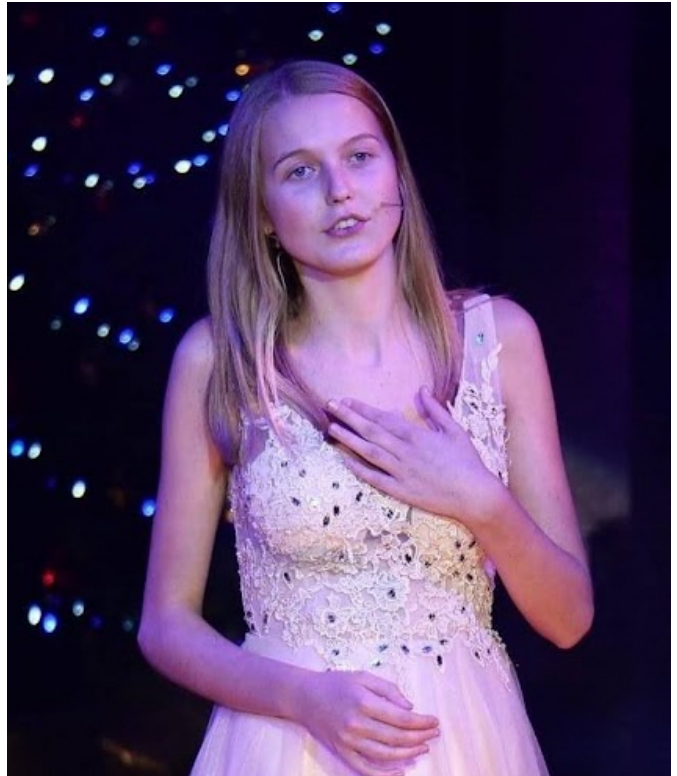
2014-19

It is with much sadness that we were informed of the sudden passing of Holly Dresser, aged 19, on 3 July 2022. Holly was at the College from 2014 - 2019 and loved drama and the performing arts.

The funeral took place at Woodlands Crematorium, and was followed by a wake at North Cliff Golf Club. The funeral at the crematorium was a private service due to the limited numbers able to attend. Friends, former teachers or acquaintances who wished to pay their respects and celebrate Holly's life, were welcome to join others at the YMCA in Scarborough where the service was live streamed at 1.00 p.m..

If you wish to support the family and remember Holly in another way the family have set up a donation page for the YMCA in Holly's memory:

<https://ymcascarborough.uk/Holly/?fbclid=IwAR1kpjdlhJBkP7WudNdLUxF83ufW1YWXHKs3XtsyPGp7j80fXIn98-bYMoo>



On behalf of Scarborough College and the OSA we offer our sincere condolences to all of Holly's family at this time.



## Head's News

### College shortlisted



We are proud and delighted to be shortlisted in no less than six categories for the Independent Schools of the Year 2022 awards. Rising Star of the Year, Independent School of the Year for Sporting Achievement, Independent Prep School of the Year, Independent Pre Prep School of the Year, Independent Boarding School of the Year and Co-Educational Independent School of the Year.

### Sport

Even by the College's high sporting standards this has been a successful year. On a national level we became National Champions at Equestrian, and our girls' U16s Hockey team reached a National Final at the Olympic Stadium and finished 6th (North Champions) in the country at Indoor Hockey. The boys' U15s Rugby team reached the last 8 of a national competition again and the U16s cup team remained undefeated. The U15s tennis team made impressive progress in the national cup and the 1st XI Cricket team enjoyed comfortable victories against the schools such as Repton, Radley College, St Peter's York and the MCC. A narrow defeat to Yorkshire Academy in the last over by 2 wickets highlighted how far the boys have progressed. Our golf team also went far in the national cup and for a school of 500 to be able to compete against the very best schools in the country is highly impressive. The above highlights national success but across all ages and various sports the pupils achieved county and district trophy successes. From Rugby 7s, to netball, football, boys' hockey and rounders, various teams clinched trophies against much bigger schools.

### Music & Drama

The Music Department has enjoyed success with a number of entries through the ABRSM, Trinity College of Music and MTB examination boards (100% pass rate). The term drew to an end with the excellent performance by the Prep students in their production of 'The Greatest Show' and the performances at the Prep School Prize giving morning.

When we started keeping records in 2013 we had just 26 students in the College and 12 in the Prep school, only entering for Verse & Prose and Public Speaking. Fast forward to 2022 with nearly a hundred students on the programme and 92 exams taken over a two-day period; our students continue to make us proud! We now cover a wide variety of disciplines - Verse & Prose, Public Speaking, Acting and Musical Theatre.



## **Trips**

Pupils enjoyed trips to Paris with the MFL Department, scuba diving in Lanzarote, Duke of Edinburgh Expeditions, Y5/6 camped at Sledmere and Year 7/8 went to the Lake District to enjoy a wide array of outdoor activities to complement their Yorkshire Grit Programme. Next year, a World Challenge trip to Belize and a Senior Hockey Tour to Argentina (details later) will form part of an exciting end to the academic year.

## **IB**

The last two years have been our highest results for nearly 10 years and with an IBDP point average of 32.5 which equates to over 200 UCAS points, the Upper Sixth have excelled. 168 UCAS points equates to 3 A\* at A Level and consequently we have pupils earning places at the finest universities across the world. Our IB Coordinator Katie Cooke said, "despite the challenges of the past two years, and a cohort that had never sat external exams before, this year's IB Diploma Programme students have done extremely well and I am very proud of all of them. With an IBDP average of 32.5 and 33% of students achieving 36 points or above, I hope they are very proud of themselves too. There were some truly outstanding results with five students achieving 40 points or more and a highest score of 43 points (the equivalent of 266 UCAS points)."

IB Results Day was a joyful occasion with students earning scholarships to the best universities in the USA and Canada, and others securing places at the finest universities in the UK. I am incredibly proud of what they have achieved and there are many success stories, such as the outstanding results for the Physics, MFL, Humanities and Maths Departments.

## **Scholarship success for Mary Grynevych**

A delighted Mary Grynevych has been awarded a Lester B. Pearson International Scholarship from the University of Toronto in Canada.

The Lester B. Pearson International Scholarship is awarded annually in recognition of outstanding students from around the world. It is Toronto University's most prestigious and competitive scholarship and covers tuition, books, incidental fees and full residence support for four years. Each year approximately 3,000 students apply though only 37 are named Lester B. Pearson Scholars.

To be considered for this scholarship, students must be nominated by their school and demonstrate exceptional achievement and creativity. Students must be accepted as leaders within their school and have the potential to contribute to the global community in the future.

The OSA is delighted with Mary's success. We have supported her financially when she travelled to Harrogate to sit her SATs exams - for entry to universities in North America and have paid her IB exam fees along with those of the other HMC scholars





## Richard Found – Reflections on a Scarborough College Education

The recent articles in the OSA E News have reached me in New Zealand and resonated and nourished me during the last couple of challenging years. Be it the memories of Geoff Nunn, The Sons of Neptune, the Lyke Wyke Walk and contemporaries of mine like Peter Caton and Ben Taylor. Also my eldest child has just started boarding school back in the UK and my mind often dwells on my school days.

Ben's father, Ian Taylor, was the Headmaster at Lisvane when I joined in 1986. There were many 'characters' at Lisvane at the time, such as the Calligraphy of Mr Bland, the fun of Mike Evans, the creative teaching ('Dot on the Spot') of Ms Berry and of course the larger-than-life presence of Geoff Nunn. Geoff was a family friend and every Christmas Eve he would hold a party that went late into the night in his imposing home in Stainton Dale. As kids we would be packed into a small TV room while the 'grown ups' started Christmas in a very merry fashion.



I had two years at Lisvane and memories include getting the bus up to Scarborough College for Science Lessons (after we had graduated for the inspiring Mr Nunn) and meeting Mr Allen the father of another of my contemporaries Iain and Neil. The labs, the smells and eccentric teaching sold me on Science and led me, eventually, to being a Science teacher myself.

When finally arriving at College, it was the CCF that inspired me. In particular the Army section led by Lieutenant Colonel Rowe. Another scientist and good man who worked hard to provide opportunities for us to develop leadership and life skills. It must be said I did not take to it straight away. My report at the end of the third form, written by Captain Sharp read 'Richard is not in tune with the Military mind, his release will be mutually satisfying'. Probably a fair summary of my engagement in that first year, however I stuck with it and remember Leadership Course at Welbeck College, Summer camps to Cultybraggan, Warcop and Leek. When I was headteacher in Luton, 5 years ago, I had the opportunity to set up a CCF unit at the school and provide those opportunities to a new generation of young people.



Sport quickly became a central feature of my life at College. I played hockey for the first XI. Having little skill but being very big, John Precious put me in goal, and we had a couple of great seasons. I remember the Public School Hockey Festival at Oxford as being a real highlight. It was however in rugby that a life long passion was fostered. In the hands of Jimmy MacMillian, Roger Gilbert and Ted Wood ('pop it up boys!') we were shaped into a relatively good team but more importantly I cemented friendships with Nick Tiffin, Mark Kelly and Kieran Bell that are as strong today as ever. It also opened up a world of coaching myself which has continued in my international school experience in Cape Town and Wellington.





When leaving College, I was lucky to be given the opportunity to join the CCF badged battalion, 1st Battalion of the Green Howards on a 12-month ecological expedition to Siberia to count the Nerpa Seal. I found myself on my 19<sup>th</sup> birthday on a frozen lake (Lake Baikal) in the middle of winter carrying out a survey with eclectic bunch of squaddies, officers, Russian scientists and a couple of other gappies. A tremendous experience and one that fostered my current love of travel. Another of my contemporaries Adam Crossley was the last Adjutant of the regiment before it was merged to become the Yorkshire Regiment.

Upon my return to the UK Mrs Roberts, née Patterson, got me a job working at a pub on the Whitby Road called the Falcon. I spent a couple of happy summers there working the bar and it seems the proprietor only employed ex-Scarborough college students including Rob Hastie, Nick Mack and the ever present Kieran Bell. We had a lot of fun when the punters had left! It was whilst at the Falcon that I first attempted the Lyke Wyke Walk, a 43 mile slog over the moors to Robin Hoods Bay. I must have forgotten the pain, as I did it the week before my wedding with my father, who has done it three times with 25 years between each attempt! As it was I barely managed to walk down the aisle as my feet were covered in blisters!



University and teacher training followed along with time in London and overseas. I am currently accompanying my wife, Ruth, on her diplomatic posting to Wellington and we have three boys who I am desperately wanting to be English rugby fans but feel I might be losing that battle, as pictures of Kiwi rugby stars adorn their bedroom walls. I loved my time at Lisvane and Scarborough College. I joined Lisvane after a challenging time at my previous school which could have led me to being negative about my schooling. From that point I flourished with the opportunities provided by both schools and it has impacted on my adult life in such a positive way I felt the need to share this.

I have many stories from my time at College, but I want to leave you with one that involves our OSA Chairman, John Rowlands. When in the sixth form, and having transgressed the school rules, I got into serious trouble which involved John ringing my parents on a Sunday night after an exeat weekend. I was marched into John's office the following morning with a pair of very embarrassed parents who were certain I was going to be at least suspended or likely expelled. I can't remember what was said in my telling off but I remember the kind way I was dealt with by John and the quote on the wall, attributed to Plato, that said 'What is happening to our young people? They disrespect their elders, they disobey their parents. They ignore the law. They riot in the streets inflamed with wild notions. Their morals are decaying. What is to become of them?'

That moment, as much as any other, led me into a life of education and when dealing with student transgressions, as I frequently do, I try to show as much understanding and patience as I was shown that day.

**Richard Found**  
**Lisvane and Scarborough College 1986-94**



## Does anyone else remember The Skiing Trip to Austria in 1975/6?

This was my first ever trip abroad at aged 14 going on 15, without having my mother cramping my style as a thoroughly modern teenager!

I struggle to remember the exact place or resort we all stayed at but I'm sure some of us had to share rooms. I do remember having a right laugh when we managed to "forget" where we hid someone's trousers, so they would be late for breakfast. We also had a skiing instructor to help us with the basics of the "snow plough". After a few lessons we were all allowed to do some free skiing to practise what we had learnt.

The funniest thing happened to me as we all were let loose on the nursery slopes. We were all given an hour or so to do our own thing, so we all collected at the top as a group to ski down and I noticed that my group began to get smaller and smaller, until there was nobody from my party skiing at all, which I thought very odd. I continued to ski down and get the lift back up for at least another hour and still didn't meet anyone at all from my group. At this point I thought it best to set out to find them.

However, to my horror I found them and was not very popular with the instructor who trying his best to conduct a ski lesson with the whole group in line in front of him while he explained the next stage of skiing instruction with this (and I remember) IDIOT zooming past the group at high speed, head down and feeling like Franz Klammer, interrupting his lesson. I had not seen anyone else on my travels down the slope as I later found out they were all learning as a group with the instructor trying to conduct his lesson with me zooming right through the middle of the group, interrupting them as I flew past, not even noticing they were all standing there getting pretty annoyed. I think I had thundered past the group, showing off my newfound skiing skills. They all must have thought, who IS THAT IDIOT spoiling our lesson multiple times!

I felt so bad and had to apologise to the group and don't think the instructor spoke to me at all for the rest of the afternoon!

I hope somebody remembers this trip as nothing can be found in the OSA Archives. Please help if you can, if you can shed light on this trip, better still, if you were actually on it, please come forward, as my sanity maybe in doubt, if you don't!

Paul GRIFFITHS  
Pegg House 1967-1978 (Also at Lisvane)

We are pleased to receive your memories of events, trips, experiences etc of your time at College. A page or so hopefully with accompanying photographs would be appreciated



**Action needed please****WHERE ARE THEY NOW?**

The O.S.A. Database contains the names of 8,600 former Pupils. These have often been taken from School Magazines, Blue Books or O.S.A. Handbooks from the past.

Sadly, we only have contact details for around 1,300. Whilst many will use Social Media today and hopefully our O.S.A. website to obtain information, email has to be our main form of communication for Newsletters and Reunions.

Starting with this Newsletter we will run a regular feature "Where Are They Now" in the hope that some readers may be in touch with those named below and can ask them to get in touch through our O.S.A. email so we can update our records and ensure they receive information going forward. Our O.S.A. email address is [osa@scarboroughcollegeosa.co.uk](mailto:osa@scarboroughcollegeosa.co.uk)

As a reminder we have thousands of Photos, documents and stories on our Archives Website for you to enjoy. Every School Magazine from 1903 is on there so by putting us in touch with more people we can add to the interest in our Archives.

Please help us, it is your O.S.A. and we can only work with the information we are given but we are here to serve you all.

Best wishes

John Isles

NAME	HOUSE	DATES
Mr S.T. Abbey	Pegg	1981-1984
Mr C.L. Acton	Pegg	1974-1981
Mr R.I. Adair	Armstrong	1966-197
Miss. A. Adam	Not Known	1984-1987
Mr Graham Adamson	College	1976-1983
Miss Joanne Addis	Hartford	1992-1997
Miss Rachel Adkin	Lisvane/Crews	1977-1984
Mr M. Bowland	Lisvane/Lodge	1968-1978
Miss Tilly Cottingham	Not Known	1990-1995
Mr D.J. Fisher	Pegg	1970-1976
Miss Nicole Fletcher	Not Known	2004-2007
Mr C.M. Flint	Lodge	1974-1980



## Your views appreciated

The Committee has been discussing the idea of moving the March Reunion to late Spring or early Summer. Whilst attendances at recent March Reunions have been good it is felt that better weather and the re-introduction of Cricket & Tennis might be worth consideration?

The current Headmaster is keen to see Cricket reintroduced into the Calendar and this has been quite popular in the past. However, we are also conscious that not everyone plays Sport and therefore we are asking for suggestions from you as to what you would like to see, should we decide at the AGM in November to move to a Reunion in warmer weather!

The November Reunion will remain the same as it incorporates the OSA Ball. It is vital that you let us have your suggestions as it is your Reunion so, please email us at [osa@scarboroughcollegeosa.co.uk](mailto:osa@scarboroughcollegeosa.co.uk) with your suggestions.

John Isles

## Unsubscribe issues

May we please ask for your help on this. We have found several members have clicked the "Unsubscribe" link on our Newsletters. Upon investigation it turns out they didn't actually want to Unsubscribe totally, but simply the email or Newsletter was of no interest to them at the time. If you click the Unsubscribe link it deletes, you from future Newsletters and emails and whilst we can get you put back it is a very complex and complicated task.

Therefore, if the communication is simply of "no interest" simply delete the email and "Do Not" click the Unsubscribe link.

Obviously, if you genuinely don't want to receive future communications then if you click the "Unsubscribe" link, it will mean you will no longer receive any communications from the College and we shall always respect your wishes.

Finally, we get a number of bounces simply because you have changed your email address and not told us. Please do let us know if you change email or any news you feel would be of interest.

Thanks

John Isles.

## CCF

For many years the CCF was a very important part of the School's extra curricular provision. Many former students have good reason to be grateful for the experiences they had within the CCF. We would like to highlight some of these in forthcoming editions and would welcome any memories that you might have - camps, inspections, courses, competitions, outward bounds, sailing climbing, Keepers Cottage etc etc. Perhaps the CCF influenced your career choice? If so we would like to hear from you. Send them in to OSA [osa@scarboroughcollegeosa.co.uk](mailto:osa@scarboroughcollegeosa.co.uk) . Photos appreciated.

Thanks  
John Rowlands

