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Many members gathered in London in to remember Tommy

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Flashback to 1990: extensive coverage on pages 28-34

Memories also from 1955, 1975, 2005 and other years
Although in Sam Trigg and Montana Jackson Oxford had two of the best athletes on display, Cambridge achieved a clean sweep of all four matches. Standards were high, with match records set by Trigg (TJ), Michael Painter (HT), Emma Cullen (100m), Alice Kaye (200m—finally surpassing Bridget Wheeler’s long-standing mark) and Fiona Brown (SP).

**Men’s Blues Match**

**100m** (wind +3.7 m/s) William Morris (C) 10.91, Isaac Kitchen-Smith (O) 10.91, Clayton Gillespie (C) 10.99, Hallam Dixon (O) 11.07

**200m** (wind +3.8m/s) George Gundle (O) 21.76, James Brooks (C) 22.30, Josh Evans (C) 22.35, Isaac Kitchen-Smith (O) 22.36

**400m** Barney Walker (C) 48.72, George Gundle (O) 49.23, Louis Rawlings (O) 50.61, Tom Russell (C) 50.94

**800m** Billy Pinder (C) 1:53.07, Louis Rawlings (O) 1:53.18, Lewis Lloyd (C) 1:53.45, Hugo Fleming (O) 1:56.01

**1500m** Josh Carr (C) 3:50.15, William Christophi (O) 3:53.04, Lewis Lloyd (C) 3:58.56, Will Ryle-Hodges (O) 4:09.31

**5000m** Phillip Crout (C) 14:27.99, Miles Unterreiner (O) 14:31.31, Alex Short (C) 15:11.67, Jamie Parkinson (O) 15:23.02

**110m hurdles** (wind +2.5 m/s) Onakeno Mario-Ghae (C) 15.72, James So (O) 16.08, Adam McBrida (O) 16.13, Alastair Stanley (C) 16.21

**200m hurdles** (wind +2.9) Adam McBrida (O) 24.93, Tom Russell (C) 25.40, Alastair Stanley (C) 25.43, Kekili Anthony (O) 26.81

**400m hurdles** Adam McBrida (O) 55.73, Alastair Stanley (C) 55.75, Daniel Brock (C) 57.47, Louis Gardner (O) 58.28

**3000m steeplechase** (manual times) Alex Milne (C) 9:20.1, Alexander Howard (O) 9:27.9, Aidan Smith (O) 9:28.8, Rich Ollington (C) 9:32.3

**High Jump** Chris Little (C) 1.90, Onakeno Mario-Ghae (C) 1.90, Nitesh Ranasinha (O) 1.90, Sam Trigg (O) 1.80

**Pole Vault** Quentin Gouill (C) 3.90, Freddy Bunbury (C) 3.90, Kit Aina (O) 2.80, Rowan May (O) 2.70

**Long Jump** (windy) Sam Trigg (O) 7.22, Ezra Leonce (O) 6.26, Quentin Gouill (C) 6.22, Edmund Eduah (C) 6.00

**Triple Jump** (windy) Sam Trigg (O) 15.41 record, Ezra Leonce (O) 13.90, Emmanuel Gbegli (C) 13.84, Ben Lewis (C) 11.66

**Shot** Michael Painter (C) 14.53, Christian Nnochiri (C) 12.20, Harry Woodcock (O) 11.81, Melvyn Lugeba (O) 9.83

**Discus** Michael Painter (C) 47.29, Alastair Stanley (C) 37.78, James Heywood (O) 37.07, Melvyn Lugeba (O) 34.11

**Hammer** Michael Painter (C) 63.88 record, Tom Parker (C) 57.26, James Heywood (O) 27.71, Harry Woodcock (O) 20.55

**Javelin** Arran Davis (O) 54.84, Justas Dauparas (C) 53.78, David Korczynski (O) 50.38, Jordan Gruber 47.55

**4 x 100m relay** Cambridge (Brooks, Morris, Evans, Gillespie) 42.08, Oxford (Dixon, Trigg, Gundle, Kitchen-Smith) 42.35

**4 x 400m relay** Oxford (Gundle 49.9, McBrida 49.8, Eliot 49.3, Rawlings 49.2) 3:18.27, Cambridge (Brooks 50.0, Howe 50.4, Russell 49.7, Walker 49.0) 3:19.07
Result: Cambridge 118, Oxford 94

Women’s Blues Match

100m (wind +3.2m/s) Emma Cullen (C) 11.95 record, Maxine Meju (C) 12.28, Eniola Oyesanya (O) 12.60. Kate Wasylilw (O) disqualified

200m (wind +3.6 m/s) Alice Kaye (C) 24.30 record, Emma Cullen (C) 24.32, Kate Wasylilw (O) 25.97, Eniola Oyesanya (O) 26.38

400m Alice Kaye (C) 56.89, Elizabeth Totten (O) 59.80, Eleanor Hinde (O) 62.03, Rhiannon Philips (C) 62.88

800m Brigid Eades (C) 2:15.62, Emily Moss (O) 2:18.22, Emily Ruane (C) 2:19.05, Sarah McCuaig (O) 2:27.25

1500m Katherine Turner (C) 4:33.30, Kate Curran (C) 4:41.65, Emily Moss (O) 4:47.25, Sarah McCuaig (O) 4:55.57

5000m Emily Shearer (C) 17:06.13, Katy Hedgethorne (C) 17:18.75, Kate Niehaus (O) 17:29.86, Bethanie Murray (O) 18:52.87

100m hurdles (wind +5.8 m/s) Eleanor Duck (C) 15.39, Eline Helmer (O) 15.48, Freya Shearer (O) 15.79, Francisca Hamilton (C) 18.06

400m hurdles Montana Jackson (O) 64.70, Freya Shearer (O) 67.33, Alice Flint (C) 67.34, Alice Middletone (C) 77.01

2000m steeplechase Priya Crosby (C) 7:14.23, Dani Chattenton (O) 7:16.91, Elisabeth Mooney (C) 7:21.84, Suzana Markolovic (O) 7:55.10

High Jump Grace Clements (O) 1.60, Maxine Meju (C), Annabel Bates (C), Polly Fullerton (O) all equal at 1.55

Pole Vault Emily Brady (C) 2.50, Sam Rawlinson (O) 2.50, Rebecca Hulbert (C) 2.40, Eline Helmer (O) 2.00

Long Jump (windy) Montana Jackson (O) 5.31, Maxine Meju (C) 5.25, Kate Davies (O) 5.17, Laura Andrews (C) 5.14

Triple Jump (windy) Montana Jackson (O) 12.32, Maxine Meju (C) 11.83, Felicia Anderson (C) 11.55, Grace Clements (O) 11.19

Shot Fiona Brown (C) 12.83 record, Grace Clements (O) 12.51, Anna Niedbala (O) 11.30, Helen Broadbridge (C) 9.31

Discus Anna Niedbala (O) 44.76, Helen Broadbridge (C) 41.42, Georgina Howe (C) 35.41, Helen Bridgman (O) 28.72

Hammer Helen Broadbridge (C) 48.47, Georgina Howe (C) 43.53, Anna Niedbala (O) 43.20, Helen Bridgman (O) 27.84

Javelin Kate Davies (O) 38.46, Grace Clements (O) 35.62, Fiona Brown (C) 33.50, Emma Cullen (C) 31.86

4 x 100m relay Cambridge (Adeosun, Meju, Kaye, Cullen) 48.74, Oxford (Wasyliw, Oyesanya, Jackson, Rawlinson) 50.10
4 x 400m relay Cambridge (Flint 62.8, Philips 61.8, Eades 56.5, Kaye 57.3) 3:58.37, Oxford (Totten, Hinde, Haigh, Jackson) 4:05.66

Result: Cambridge 113, Oxford 87

The Drake-Digby Trophy for the best performance in the Mens’ Match: Sam Trigg (O)
The Susan Dennler Trophy for the best performance in the Womens’ Match: Montana Jackson (O)
The Le Touquet Trophy, for the most improved athlete during 2014-15: Emma Cullen (C)
The Paul Gomme Trophy, for the best throwing performance of the season: Michael Painter (C)
The Achilles Trophy, for outstanding contribution to Oxford athletics: Alice Kaye (C)
The Steven Stuart Trophy, for the most notable second-team performance: Jacob Lange (C)

Men’s Second Team Match (Oxford Centipedes v Cambridge Alverstone)

100m (wind +3.5 m/s) Patrick Calver (C) 11.25, Fredrik Smith (O) 11.39, Ife Adepegba (C) 11.39, Alex Macaulay (O) 11.54
200m (wind +3.9 m/s) Ralph Eliot (O) 22.57, Patrick Calver (C) 22.83, Ming Wang-Koh (C) 23.24, Fredrik Smith (O) 23.34
400m Ralph Eliot (O) 50.12, Seb Cheli (C) 50.85, William David (O) 51.73, George Grillo (C) 52.33
800m Zac Howe (C) 2:01.85, Seb Cheli (C) 2:01.95, Edward Mole (O) 2:04.0, Hugh Baker (O) 2:04.43
1500m Adam Speake (O) 4:05.66, Zac Howe (C) 4:09.42, Peter Cameron (O) 4:10.24, William Durkin (O) 4:12.19
5000m Kelvin Gomez (C) 15:24.27, Joe Bowness (C) 15:35.52, Luke Cotter (O) 15:44.30, James Sewry (O) 16:22.48
110m hurdles (wind +4.4 m/s) Dallas Clement (O) 16.48, Thomas McQuillin (C) 16.59, Daniel Luke Smith (C) 17.65, Edmund Hezlet (C) 18.84
200m hurdles (wind +3.6) Thomas McQuillin (O) 27.15, Patrick Calver (C) 27.57, Gareth Goh (C) 27.75, Fredrik Smith (O) 29.31
400m hurdles Lloyd Hilton (C) 58.20, Edward Hezlet (C) 59.17, Ronan Llyr (O) 63.72, Matthew Newton (O) 64.35
3000m steeplechase (manual times) Miles Chandler (O) 9:49.7, Pete Townsend (C) 9:54.2, Paul Hodgson (C) 10:03.4, Benjamin Gibbons (O) 10:06.0
High Jump Will Pargeter (O) 1.80, George Vaughan (O) 1.80, Brian Balchin (C) 1.70, Tom Walters (C) 1.50
Pole Vault Duncan Hicklin (C) 3.50, Christopher Day (O) 3.20, Ben Cottam (C) 3.10, Fredrik Smith (O) 2.50
Long Jump (windy) Alex Macaulay (O) 6.72, Alex Hamilton (O) 5.85, Nelson Tang (C) 5.66, Joe Sharpe (C) 5.49
Triple Jump (windy) Daniel Luke Smith (C) 12.83, Tom McQuillin (O) 12.70, Nelson Tang (C) 11.82, Alex Hamilton (O) 11.68
Shot Pete Cox (O) 13.25, Emmanuel Akinluyi (C) 12.22, Jack West (C) 10.78, Atami Ahmab (O) 9.97
Discus Pete Cox (O) 40.43, Emmanuel Akinluyi (C) 30.34, Fredrik Smith (O) 27.52, Edmund Hezlet (C) 18.98
Hammer Jacob Lange (C) 49.73 record, Robin Croft (C) 42.12, Owen Clarke (O) 23.45, Atami Ahmed (O) 20.39
Javelin Nikil Raju Kondur (C) 53.83, Robin Croft (C) 49.20, Sam Broadley (O) 44.49, Fredrik Smith (O) 42.79
4 x 100m relay Cambridge Alverstone (Calver, Wylde, Adepegba, Mario-Ghac) 44.01 Oxford Centipedes (So, McQuillin, Smith, May) 44.68
4 x 400m relay Oxford Centipedes (Munday, Gardner, David, Fleming) 3:28.35, Cambridge Alverstone (Coxon) 53.0, Cheli 51.1, Aversa 56.2, Pinder 50.9) 3:31.08

Result: Cambridge Alverstone 110, Oxford Centipedes 102

Women’s Second Team Match (Oxford Millipedes v Cambridge Alligators)

100m (wind +3.7 m/s) Hephzibah Adeosun (C) 12.49, Chidera Ota (C) 12.70, Emily Barbour (O) 13.39, Marie-Therese Prig (O) 13.39
200m (wind +4.5 m/s) Emily Barbour (O) 27.64, Emily Coulter (C) 27.82, Hephzibah Adeosun (C) 27.87, Laura Venables (O) 28.63
400m Catherine Haigh (O) 62.89, Eleanor Simmons (C) 63.21, Katie Blackett (C) 63.81, Katherine Bailey (O) 68.06
800m Libbie Read (C) 2:22.99, Elisabeth Sandham (C) 2:27.72, Rosa Christie-Lowe (O) 2:33.32, Brittney Ollinger (O) 2:34.32
1500m Sarah Lovewell (C) 5:10.29, Chloe Beckett (C) 5:12.05, Katherine Bailey (O) 5:15.81, Imogen Gosling (O) 5:26.57
5000m Sarah Lovewell (C) 18:05.97 Tasneen Pope (C) 18:32.56, Dani Edmunds (O) 19:42.63, Harriet Drew (O) 19:49.66
100m hurdles (wind +5.3m/s) Emily Stone (O) 17.25, Chidera Ota (C) 17.29, Hannah Church (C) 18.35, Alice Richardson (O) 25.11
400m hurdles Emily Stone (O) 70.31, Helena Bolton-Jones (C) 71.49, Emily Taylor (C) 74.46, Alice Richardson (O) 82.99
2000m steeplechase Ellen Powell (C) 8:06.08, Hazel Jackson (C) 8:12.37, Brittney Ollinger (O) 8:17.76, Rosa Christie-Lowe (O) 8:25.16
High Jump Lucy Crossman (C) 1.55, Alice Richardson (O) 1.50, Emily Stone (O) 1.45, Carys Boughton (C) 1.40
Pole Vault Rebecca Martin (C) 2.30, Hannah Church (C) 2.20, Johanna Schiele (O) 2.00 (no second Oxford competitor)
Long Jump (windy) Emily Stone (O) 5.13, Eleanor Simmons (C) 5.04, Catherine Haigh (O) 4.70, Lucy Crossman (C) 4.55
Triple Jump (windy) Fiona Jing (C) 10.23, Emily Stone (O) 10.16, Catherine Haigh (O) 10.09, Beccie Haggie (C) 9.76
Shot Simisola Oyesanya (O) 9.27, Emily Stone (O) 8.83, Emily Coulter (C) 7.22, Emily Goodband (C) 6.74
Discus Bethany Berry (O) 23.67, Simisola Oyesanya (O) 21.12, Renata Fellinger (C) 18.77, Roisin Taylor (C) 17.81
Hammer Bethany Berry (O) 36.43, Roisin Taylor (C) 35.96, Renata Fellinger (C) 28.41, Simisola Oyesanya (O) 23.48
Javelin Kiara de Kremer (C) 29.60, Lily Eliot (C) 27.62, Emily Stone (O) 23.41, Simisola Oyesanya (O) 13.89
4 x 100m relay Cambridge Alligators (Duck, Coulter, Simmons, Anderson) 52.30, Oxford Millipedes (Barbour, Shearer, Vanables, Helmer) 53.40
4 x 400m relay Cambridge Alligators (Ruane 62.8, Irving-Hyman 62.8, Sharples 64.2, Read 63.5) 4:13.44, Oxford Millipedes (Shearer, Barbour, Richardson, Helmer) 4:22.32

Result: Cambridge Alligators 113, Oxford Millipedes 87
In one of the highest standard meetings in recent memory 8 match records were broken. Every minor place counted, and some team events were decided by tiny fractions. None of the relays were ‘processions’; leads were constantly changing, with results usually decided on the final lap. The 4 x 400 provided the usual cliff-hanger of a finale. But arguably the best spectacle of the day was a middle distance race: the men’s 4 x 800 was outstanding, contested shoulder to shoulder at break-neck speed from gun to tape, with both teams well under the previous indoor match record.

Men’s relays, all indoors (tie 3-3)
60m (run as 2 heats, with the 4 best, of 5, University times totalled to determine the result)

Race 1 S. Trigg (O) 7.30, C. Gillespie (C) 7.31, W. Morris (C) 7.34, I. Adepegba (C-guest) 7.61
Race 2 J. Brooks (C) 7.21, H. Dixon (O) 7.35, P. Calver (C) 7.39, L. Tetteh (O) 7.54
Race 3 I. Adekanmbi (O-guest) 7.02, I. Kitchen-Smith (O) 7.06, J. Evans (C) 7.28
Race 4 D. Coelho (O) 7.41, B. Balendran (C-guest) 7.68, K. Aina (O-guest) 8.07
Oxford total times 29.12, Cambridge total times 29.14

4x200m
Cambridge (J. Brooks 23.5, W. Morris 22.5, J. Evans 22.5, R. Eliot 22.3, C. Oakley 23.9, I. Shevlin 23.1) 1:32.31
Oxford “B” (-23.9, -23.7, -24.1, -23.9) 1:35.72
Cambridge “B” (B. Balendran 25.0, M. Wang-Ko 23.8, G. Grillo 23.7, P. Calver 23.5) 1:35.98
Oxford “C” (-, -, - 24.7, -25.4) 1:40.31

4 x 400m
Oxford (G. Gundile 50.4, R. Eliot 50.0, H. Fleming 50.7, L. Rawlings 48.6) 3:19.61 record
Cambridge (J. Evans 51.3, J. Brooks 49.3, T. Russell 49.9, B. Walker 49.7) 3:20.17
Oxford “B” (-, -, -, -) 3:34.25
Oxford “C” (-, -, -, -) 3:42.89

4x800m
Oxford (H. Baker 1:59.2, L. Gardner 1:56.6, H. Fleming 1:54.2, L. Rawlings 1:54.8) 7:44.62 record
Cambridge (B. Pinder 1:57.9, S. Cheli 1:58.3, Z. Howe 1:53.0, P. Croust 1:57.8) 7:46.87
Cambridge “B” (R. Burford, J. Coxon, L. Aversa, R. Ollington) 8:40.46

4x1500
Oxford (W. Durkin, H. Baker, Gibbons, Faulkner) 17:10.47
Cambridge “B” (M. Nelson 4:10.0, R. Ollington 4:25.21) did not finish a team

60m hurdles (run as 2 heats, with the 4 best, of 5, University times totalled to determine the result)
Race 1 A. Stanley (C) 9.47, T. McQuillin (O) 9.52, C. Gouill (C) 10.05, J. So (O) 9.29 disqualified
Race 2 D. Clement (O) 9.62, K. Anthony (O) 9.86, A. Stanley (C) 9.47, T. McQuillin (O) 9.52
Cambridge total times 40.18, Oxford did not finish a team

Men’s field events (tie 4-4)
High Jump, indoors
Cambridge (C. Little 1.80, A. Stanley 1.80, C. Nnocheri 1.75, F. Vaterman 1.60) 6.95
Oxford (W. Pargeter 1.80, J. Gore 1.80, S. Macaulay 1.65, D. Kelly 1.65) 6.90
Pole Vault, indoors
Cambridge (Q. Gouill 4.00, F. Bunbury 3.60, A. Stanley 3.60, B. Cottam 3.00) 14.20
Oxford (C. Day 3.00, F. Smith 2.60, R. Atkins 2.60, K. Aina no height cleared) 8.20
D. Hicklin (C-guest) cleared 3.20, R. Burford (C-guest) cleared 2.40

Long Jump, indoors
Oxford (S. Trigg 6.89, E. Leonce 6.21, S. Macaulay 6.12, A. Hamilton 5.79) 25.01
Cambridge (E. Gbegli 6.04, N. Tang 5.72, D. Luke Smith 5.65, T. Walters 5.64) 23.05

Triple Jump, indoors
N. Tang (C-guest) jumped 12.00

Shot Putt, indoor
Oxford (H. Woodcock 10.79, D. Giataganas 10.23, M. Lubeg 10.05, J. Heywood 9.66) 40.73

Discus, outdoors
Oxford (J. Heywood 36.31, M. Lubega 30.89, D. Giataganas 29.38, H. Woodcock 25.29) 121.87
Cambridge (A. Stanley 38.28 R. Croft 29.70, C. Nnocheri 27.95, R. Shielis 25.41) 121.34

Hammer, outdoors
Cambridge (T. Parker 54.34, R. Croft 37.10, R. Shielis 18.97, C. Nnocheri 17.66) 128.07

Javelin, outdoors
Cambridge (J. Dauparas 51.90, N. Raju 47.68, R. Croft 47.01, C. Robb 39.75) 186.34
Oxford (D. Giataganas 48.99, J. Heywood 44.37, F. Smith 42.12, H. Woodcock 29.55) 165.03

Women’s relays (Cambridge win 4-2)
60m (run as 2 heats, with the 4best, of 5, University times totalled to determine the result)
Race 1 E. Cullen (C) 7.73 record, H. Adegosun (C) 7.93, K. Wasyliw (O) 8.13, E. Oyesanya (O) 8.21
Race 2 M. Meju (C) 7.86, A. Kaye (C) 7.98, C. Ota (C) 8.35, F. Shearer (O) 8.60, M-T. Png (O) 8.64
Race 3 S. Rawlinson (O) 8.37, O. Lala (C-guest) 8.74, S. Everden (C-guest) 9.28
Cambridge total time 31.50 record, Oxford total time 33.31

4x200m
Cambridge (A. Kaye 25.7, M. Meju 26.5, H. Adegosun 26.6, E. Cullen 24.8) 1:43.57 record
Oxford (K. Wasyliw, E. Oyesanya, C. Haigh, K. Davies) 1:50.29
Disq Cambridge “B” (D. Irving-Hyman, S. Everden, S. Laing, I. Mulliner)

4x400m
Cambridge (E. Simmons 63.1, E. Read 64.3, R. Philips 63.0, A. Kaye 56.6) 4:06.86
Oxford (F. Shearer 64.4, C. Haigh 66.2, E. Moss 62.5, D. Chattenton 66.0) 4:19.00

The Varsity Field Events and Relays Matches
Lee Valley Sports Centre, 4 March 2015
This was the last year in which these historic trophies have been contested in the recent format. 2016 will see the predominantly Oxford contingent from carrying off the Kinnaird trophy, and placing second to the hosts in the Sward.

With the LICC match the following day, Achilles resources were spread between the two events. It did not prevent a pre-Kinnaird & Sward Trophies Meeting

**Oxford (P. Fullerton 1.55, E. Helmer 1.55, K. Davies 1.50)**

**Cambridge total times 41.98, Oxford total times 42.55**

### Women's field events (Cambridge win 5 - 3)

#### High Jump, indoors

**Cambridge** (A. Bates 1.55, M. Meju 1.55, C. Boughton 1.55, L. Crossman 1.50) 4.65

**Oxford** (P. Fullerton 1.55, E. Helmer 1.55, K. Davies 1.50)

Pole Vault, indoors

**Cambridge** (R. Martin 2.50, R. Hulbert 2.40, H. Church 2.10) 7.00

**Oxford** (J. Bulawmi 2.40, S. Rawlinson 2.30, E. Helmer 2.20, K. Holder 2.00) 6.90

#### Long Jump, indoors

**Cambridge** (E. Simmons 4.98, L. Andrews 4.96, F. Hamilton 4.95, E. Duck 4.90, F. Shearer 4.85) 14.14

**Oxford** (C. Hague 10.05, E. Helmer 9.08, K. Davies 8.93, K. Holder 8.59) 28.06

#### Triple Jump, indoors

**Cambridge** (M. Meju 11.07, F. Brown 10.05, F. James 9.52, C. Boughton 8.73) 30.64

**Oxford** (C. Hague 10.05, E. Helmer 9.08, K. Davies 8.93, K. Holder 8.59) 28.06

#### Discus, outdoors

**Oxford** (C. Nick 11.70 record, A. Niedbala 38.97, K. Holder 21.41, H. Bridgegan 20.89) 100.07

**Cambridge** (H. Broadbridge 38.19, J. Davies 38.61, R. Taylor 25.21, R. Fellinger 20.55)

119.71 record

**Oxford** (R. Niedbala 41.21, C. Nick 35.07, B. Ber

#### 400mH (A) Andrew Clements 53.95 WSEH, Dan Eckersley 62.88 KACPH, Jeff Cunningham 61.99 HHH, 2000m C/B (C) Robert Ollington 6.12.9

**Achilles** (John Duggan 1.57.70 KACPH, Louis Martin 1.57.25 Cambridge, 2000m S/C (B) Alex Howard 6.08.1 Achilles, R. Moore 5:00.0) 15:19.99

18th April 2015

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This was the last year in which these historic trophies have been contested in the recent format. 2016 will see the welcome introduction of events for women.
At the 1998 Commonwealth Games in Kuala Lumpur, Danielle Sanderson (right) was singled out for presentation to the Queen. She recalls:

‘Do you know the reason she asked to meet me? It was because my Rabbi’s wife worked for and travelled with the Queen and managed to pull strings! I’ve always felt a little embarrassed about it - not just the fact that I was nominated, but that I think I made a hash of the meeting itself. I was desperately dehydrated from the marathon that morning, with a splitting headache and agonisingly stiff quads, and wasn’t sure if I was meant to curtsey (not that I would have been capable of a curtsey under the circumstances!) She recommended arnica for my muscles! I think I made some inane comment but have always wanted to meet her again to apologise if I hadn’t behaved appropriately!’

Geoff Hill, newly appointed Treasurer of the American Achilles Foundation and currently teaching at Harvard, has just been appointed a Visiting Fellow in Residence at Cornell. This will bring his personal tally of association with universities that have participated in the Transatlantic Series to seven: Cambridge (for whom he competed in the Varsity Match), Yale (where he and his wife Cynthia met), Oxford, Harvard, Princeton, Dartmouth and Cornell. It’s time Tony Tenisci made something happen at Penn: then all that would be left would be Brown and the military academy at West Point!

Many congratulations to CUAC Blues Lucy Spray and Ian Simson.

Gemma Game (CUAC 98-01) placed 4th in the 2015 Marathon des Sables (certainly more taxing than the 100s and 200s she did as a student...)

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Oxford and Cambridge v Harvard and Yale

“The feeling I had at the Harvard/Yale vs. Oxford/Cambridge Meet .... is a feeling of togetherness, of determination, and of love—a sentiment one feels around the circle of the team cheer realizing that while it is about winning and achieving your goals, it is also much bigger than us. I think we all realized from our journey that sport can transcend the winning, losing, or setting PRs. It is about the "cultural exchange" and friendships made that Shoe likes to emphasize. For one, we learned about the beauty of chocolate digestives....

“We shared one of the most incredible experiences of our young lives (tried not to sound cliché but gave up) and we truly felt like ‘one team’. Whether it was sitting at St. Hilda's dining hall chatting for 3 hours, dancing with Burr and being forced to do the cha cha slide but actually enjoying it, having high tea in Oxford deciding that Christ Church looks eerily similar to Berkeley, or racing together in the HY singlet, it was amazing. I became closer to my Yale teammates and best friends, I made great friends on the Harvard team, and changed my worldview by interacting with Oxford/Cambridge competitors. It really was a heck of a trip.” - Kira Garry

Weather excellent, sunny, headwind for sprinters

Men
100m hand timed (wind -2.7)
Malcolm Johnson (H) 11.0, Marc-Andre Alexandre (Y) 11.0, Will Morris (C) 11.3, Hallam Dixon (O) 11.3, Clayton Gillespie (C) 11.4
200m (wind -1.3)
Matthew Hurst (H) 22.12, George Gundle (O) 22.30, Alexander Moore (H) 22.52, Hallam Dixon (O) 23.05
400m
Marc-Andre Alexandre (Y) 48.37, George Gundle (O) 49.35, Ralph Eliot (O) 50.06, Austin Puleo (Y) 51.11
800m
Louis Rawlings (O) 1:52.87, Jonas Aranda (H) 1:52.96, Conner Reck (H)
1:53.17, Jacob Sandry (Y) 1:53.39, Billy Pinder (C) 1:53.76, Zac Howe (C) 1:54.24, William Looney (H) 1:55.35, Hugo Fleming (O) 1:56.27

**Mile**

Josh Carr (C) 4:09.08, James Randon (Y) 4:09.73, Daniel Milechman H) 4:18.09, Billy Pinder (C) 4:18.87, Nephat Maritim (H) 4:20.63, John McGowan (Y) 4:24.04

**5000m**

Thomas Purnell (H) 14:26.39, Kevin Dooney (Y) 14:43.07

**10000m**

Cameron Stanish (Y) 31:18.79, Jamie Parkinson (O) 32:17.16

**110m (wind -0.7)**

Jarvis Harris (H) 14.49, Paedyn Gomes (Y) 15.04, Onakeno Mario-Ghae (C) 16.20

**400mh**

Jarvis Harris (H) 54.09, William Rowe (Y) 55.14, Adam McBraida (O) 56.89, Alastair Stanley (C) 57.60

**Steeplechase**

Duncan Tomlin (Y) 9:05.14, Alex Milne (C) 9:14.51

**4x100m**

Harvard & Yale (Alexandre, Hurst, Moore, Harris) 42.26, Oxford & Cambridge (Dixon, McBraida, Gillespie, Morris) 43.24

**4x400m**

Harvard & Yale (Hurst, Harris, Rowe, Alexandre) 3:14.87 record, Oxford & Cambridge (Gundle 50.0, McBraida 49.6, Eliot 50.0, Rawlings 50.0) 3:19.56, Oxford & Cambridge guests (Fleming 52.1, Stanley 52.4, Howe 55.7, Mario-Ghae 54.0) 3:33.99

**High Jump**

Nithesh Ranasinha (O-guest) 1.96, Onakeno Mario-Ghae (C) 1.96, Mark Hill (H) 1.86, Chris Little (C) 1.81

**Pole Vault**

Andrew Roney (H) 4.91, Brendan Sullivan (Y) 4.81, Quentin Gouill (C) 4.21, Freddie Bunbury (C) 4.01

**Long Jump**

Sam Trigg (O) 7.19 (w +1.68), Mark Hill (H) 7.16w (w +2.25; 7.05 w +1.34)

**Triple Jump**

Sam Trigg (O) 15.74 (w +1.11 record, Ezra Leonce (O) 13.69 (w + 0.57), Emmanuel Gbegli (C) 13.44w (w +2.22; 13.23 w 0.0)

**Shot**

Julian Nunally (H) 14.75, Luke Persichetti (Y) 14.26, Michael Painter (C) 14.08, Peter Cox (O) 12.89, Harry Woodcock (O) 11.31

**Discus**

Julian Nunally (H) 47.47, Michael Painter (C) 43.18, Peter Cox (O) 42.60

Michael Painter (C) 64.38 record, Tom Parker (C) 55.40, Joshua Whitener (H) 55.14, Jacob Lange (C-guest) 53.37, Luke Persichetti (Y) 47.91

**Javelin**

Arran Davis (O) 54.22, Justas Dauparisis (C) 53.37, Joshua Whitener (H) 40.37, Nephat Maritim (H) 39.80

**Women**

**100m (wind – 2.2)**

Ashley Collinsworth (H) 12.39, Danielle Barbian (H) 12.39, Eniola Oyesanya (O) 13.26, Hephzibah Adeosun (C) 13.37

**200m (wind –3.5)**

Autumne Franklin (H) 25.05, Emily Cable (Y) 25.73, Alice Kaye (C) 25.82

**800m**

Shannon McDonnell (Y) 2:10.36, Frances Schmeide (Y) 2:13.48, Libbie

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Read (C) 2:30.52
Mile
Molly Renfer (H) 4:50.37 record, Emily Waligurski (Y) 4:52.67, Katherine Turner (C) 4:57.84, Kate Curran (C) 5:04.22
5000m
Whitney Thornburg (H) 16:39.95, Paige Kouba (H) 16:50.08, Diana Klein (Y) 17:22.72, Katy Hedgethorne (C) 17:59.16
100mh (wind -0.3)
Madison Hansen (H) 14.21, Mackenzie Matthews (Y) 15.02, Eline Helmer (O) 15.57, Eleanor Duck (C) 16.48
400mh
Autumne Franklin (H) 57.82 record, Jade Miller (H) 59.60, Alice Flint (C) 69.33
Steeplechase (hand timed)
Kira Garry (Y) 10:14.5 record, Priya Crosby (C) 11:35.6, Dani Chatterton (O) 12:10.0
4x100m
Harvard & Yale (Collinsworth, Miller, Scott, Barbian) 46.55, Oxford & Cambridge 50.48
4x400m (hand timed)
Harvard & Yale (Hansen 56.9, Morrison 59.6, McConnell 58.3, Renfer 57.7) 3:52.5, Oxford & Cambridge (Jackson 58.7, Kaye 57.0, - 61.4, - 62.6) 3:59.7
High Jump
Grace Clements (O) 1.73, Raegan Nizdil (H) 1.73, Allison Morrison (H-guest) 1.65, Annie Giebelhaus (H) 1.63, Polly Fulleron (O-guest) 1.58, Annabel Bates (C) 1.58, Eline Helmer (O-guest) 1.53
Pole Vault
Catherine Shih (Y) 3.71, Lexie Schachne (H) 3.51, Sam Rawlinson (O) 2.51, Emily Brady (C) 2.51
Long Jump
Madison Harrison (H) 5.69 (w 2.00), Allison Morrison (H) 5.59 (w +2.3, 5.51 w 0.0), Montana Jackson (O) 5.53 (w +3.3, 5.51 w 0.0), Alisha Jordan (Y-guest) 5.35 (w +1.4), Kate Davies (O) 5.09 (w 0.0)
Triple Jump
Montana Jackson (Oxford) 12.07 (w 2.54; no legal jumps), Alisha Jordan (Y) 11.67 (w 0.0), Felicia Anderson (C) 10.95 (w +0.37)
Shot
Nikki Okwelogu (H) 15.65 record, Karleh Wilson (Y) 13.35, Fiona Brown (C) 12.62, Christina Nick (Oxford) 11.10
Discus
Nikki Okwelogu (H) 52.35 record, Anna Niedbala (O) 41.49, Christina Nick (O) 39.89, Karleh Wilson (Y) 39.79, Helen Broadbridge (C-guest) 36.23, Georgia Howe (C-guest) 35.43
Hammer
Taylor DuPont (H) 51.38, Karleh Wilson (Y) 48.59, Helen Broadbridge (C) 47.40, Georgia Howe (C) 47.01, Anna Niedbala (O-guest) 43.80
Javelin
Hannah Mayer (H) 46.58 record, Kate Davies (O) 40.24, Grace Clements (O) 31.49, Ann Giebelhaus (H) 26.74

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Women’s Result (Stead-Sellers Trophy): Harvard & Yale 17 wins, Oxford & Cambridge 2 wins
Combined Result (Naughton Trophy): Harvard & Yale 30 wins, Oxford & Cambridge 9 wins

Pat Liles best performance awards: Sam Trigg (O) and Nikki Okwelogu (H)
Boal hammer awards: Michael Painter (C) and Taylor DuPont (H)
Bob Rittenburg hurdles awards: Jarvis Harris (H) and Autumne Franklin (H)
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MATCH 1—19th April, Lee Valley.

A bit of a hammer-fest, with PBs for Helen Broadbridge, Michael Painter and Anna Niedbala and Christina Nick.

400m Hurdles Men race 1, Louis Gardner SM 01:00.34, 400m Hurdles Men race 2 Daniel Brock SM 59.36, Bilen Ahmet SM 01:07.70, 400m Hurdles Women race 2, Alice Flint SW 01:09.98, Freya Shearer SW 01:10.26, Helena Bolton-Jones SW 01:18.72, 110m Hurdles race 2 1.1 M/S, Keno Mano-Ohae SM 16.78, Bilen Ahmet SM 18.92, Daniel Luke Smith SM 21.19, 100m Hurdles Mixed 1.3 M/S, Freya Shearer SW 16.71, 800m race 1, Brigid Eades SW 02:18.51, 800m race 4, Sebastian Chei SM 01:58.8, Daniel Brock SM 02:08.1, 800m race 2, Libbie Read SW 02:27.8, Lizzie Sandham SW 02:38.8, 100m race 7 1.8 M/S, Clayton Gillespie SM 11.09, Will Morris SM 11.13, 100m race 8 1.8 M/S, Baven Balendran U20M 11.67, Ming Wang-Koh SM 11.89, 100m race 9 1.8 M/S, Patrick Calver SM 11.51, 100m race 12 1.9 M/S, Bilen Ahmet SM 12.73, 400m race 2, Barney Walker SM 49.46, James Brooks SM 51.92, Sebastian Chei SM 52.70, Louis Gardner SM 53.00, 400m race 4, Katie Blackett SW 01:06.25, 5000m mixed, Rebecca Moore SW 18:40.15, 200m race 4 3.9 M/S, Josh Evans SM 22.45, 200m race 5 3.4 M/S, Will Morris SM 22.92, Ming Wang-Koh SM 23.94, 200m race 6 3.8 M/S, Patrick Calver SM 23.34, George Grillo SM 24.17, 200m race 7 2.7 M/S, Baven Balendran U20M 23.51, 200m race 8 2.1 M/S, Bilen Ahmet SM 25.80, 4x100m Relay Men, Achilles A 43.64, Achilles B 46.21, 3000m Steeplechase Men, Alex Milne SM 09:34.80, Long Jump Men, James Allen SM 5.60, Bilen Ahmet SM 4.23, Triple Jump Pool 1, Emmanuel Gbegli SM 13.90, Daniel Luke Smith SM 12.79, Bilen Ahmet SM 11.98, Montana Jackson SM 11.87, Triple Jump Pool 2 NWI, Felicia Anderson SW 10.68, Catherine Haigh SW 9.77, High Jump, Keno Mano-Ohae SM 1.80, Annabelle Bates SW 1.85, Bilen Ahmet SM 1.60, Polly Fullerton SW 1.55, Carys Boughton SW 1.45, Pole Vault, Bilen Ahmet SM 3.80, Freddy Bunbury SM 3.90, Luke Williams SM 3.40, Duncan Hicklin SM 3.40, Ben Cottam SM 3.10, Emily Brady SW 2.40, Rebecca Hubert SW 2.40, Hannah Church SW 2.30, Rebecca Martin SW 2.30, Maria Ouvrava SM 1.90, Javelin, Anna Niedbala SW 24.83, Bilen Ahmet SM 31.94, Shot, Michael Painter SM 12.73, Bilen Ahmet SM 9.61, Melvyn Lubega M35 8.76, Christina Nick SW 12.05, Anna Niedbala SW 11.06, Laura Duke SW 10.13, Hammer Pool 1, Michael Painter SM 63.02, Tom Parker SM 53.64, Bilen Ahmet SM 25.33, Helen Broadbridge SW 50.27, Anna Niedbala SW 41.62, Christina Nick SW 36.43, Discus, Michael Painter SM 40.86, Melvyn Lubega SM 43.29, Bilen Ahmet SM 25.22, Christina Nick SW 41.85, Anna Niedbala SW 40.81

Match 2—27th June Allianz Park

A very skeleton team, as the match coincided with the visit of Harvard & Yale.

100m Women 0.4 M/S, 7 HEPHZIBAH ADEGOSUN U20W 13.04, 100m race 8 0.8 M/S, 4 ALAN JAMES M35 12.52, 200m race 4 2.7 M/S, 5 YUAN MING WANG-KOH SM 24.33, 200m race 6 2.7 M/S, 6 ALAN JAMES M35 25.01, High Jump, 2 POLLY FULLERTON SW 1.60, Pole Vault, 4 CHRIS DAY SM 3.22

Match 3—1st August Allianz Park

300m Hurdles 1 Paul Willicox M60 51.45 800m race 1 2 Niki Faulkner SM 02:00.23, 100m Women -2.1 M/S 5 Hephzibah Adeosun U20W 13.15 100m race 9 1.2 M/S 5 Alan James M35 12.36 200m race 5 1.3 M/S 5 Alan James M35 25.45

Match 4—29th June Allianz Park

Danny Eckersley upheld the honour of Achilles, 2nd over 400mH in 55.74 equaling his season’s best, his fastest for 5 years.
London Marathon

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World Champion

Richard White, winner for Oxford of the Varsity Match 800m in 1980 and 1981, won the M55 400m hurdles at the World Masters Championships in Lyon. *(photo, and inset, in conversation with Peter Crawshaw on tour with Achilles in Guangzhou in 1991)*

Mike Shear selected for M50 exhibition event at Beijing.

Another Oxford middle distance specialist of almost the same era, Mike Sherar (who won the Varsity Match 800m in 1984, dead-heating with Dave Higgins, and placed a close second to Giles Clifford the following year), placed 3rd both in the exhibition veterans 800m event at the Beijing World Championships, and at the World Masters, representing Canada.
THE FRESHERS MATCHES
Wilberforce Road, Cambridge
Weather reasonable

MEN

100m
Paul Barron (C) 11.7, Clayton Stone (O) 11.9, Akinwutan Oluwakanyinsola (O) 12.0, Shail Desai (C) 12.2

200m
Alex Grundman (O) 23.5, Paul Barron (C) 23.8, Clayton Stone (O) 24.5, Jasper Rossi (C) 24.5, Rocco Hu (O-guest) 25.4, xxx (C-guest) 26.5

400m
Rasmus Kisel (C) 50.8, Connor Ellis (O) 52.7, Ed Rees (O) 53.9, Todd Freeman (C) 54.0

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Miles Weatherseed (O) 2:00.6, Nathan Mapperley (O) 2:01.4, Kartik Iyer (C) 2:06.4, Joe Gilbert (C) 2:07.3

1500m
Miles Weatherseed (O) 4:18.8, Ben Paxton (C) 4:32.5, Dominic Jacques (C) 4:38.1, Rowan Nichols (O) 4:38.1

3000m
Thomas Binnie (O) 9:52.9, Edmund Gazeley (C) 9:56.8, Jon Luke Watts (O) 10:10.4, Andrew Robinson (C) 10:18.4

110m hurdles (3’3”)
Elliott Baines (C) 16.4, Liam Eagle (O) 16.9, Sachin Hoyle (C) 19.3, Rocco Hu (O) 21.0

400m hurdles
Joe MacConnell (O) 60.1, Jean-Luc Weller (C) 65.3, Thomas Binnie (O) 74.4, Viktor Stoll (C) 78.3

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High Jump
Thomas Marino (C) 1.80, Ethan Sorrell (C) 1.80, Edwin Eso- sa (O) 1.40, Jack Paget (O) 1.40 Sachin Hoyle (C) no height

Pole Vault
Kris Jenson (C) and Nick Jose (C) both 3.40, Jack Paget (O) 2.60, James Common (O) 2.40

Long Jump
Elliott Baines (C) 6.47, James Ekwem (C) 6.03, Carl Britto (O) 5.99, Andrew Wheeler (O) 5.78

Triple Jump
Elliott Baines (C) 13.81, Carl Britto (O) 13.49, Andrew Wheeler (O) 12.64, Harry Cheatle (C) 12.20 [Thomas Binnie (O) all no jumps]

Shot
Angus Lockhart (C) 12.84, Jack Paget (O) 10.17, Abidine Sakande (O) 9.68, Martin Croft (C) 8.43

Discus
Jack Paget (O) 28.44, Moye Odiase (C) 23.71, Tomas Marino (C) 23.48, Abidine Sakande (O) 22.36

Hammer
Martin Croft (C) 45.24, Oliver Piotrowicz (O) 32.93, Jack Paget (O) 19.42, Kris Jenson (C) 18.26

Javelin
Andrew Wheeler (O) 43.95, Ranulph Diggins (C) 39.48, Abidine Sakande (O-guest) 34.01, Alexander Cockrean (O) 31.11, Martin Croft (C) 30.21

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**Achilles Athletes of the Match:**

Caroline Johnson (Cambridge-sprints) and Elliott Baines (Cambridge – hurdles and jumps)
2015 saw both the ‘Varsity Cross-Country Races reach important milestones, with the 125\(^{th}\) gentlemen’s and 40\(^{th}\) ladies’ races. After the controversy of 2014, 5\(^{th}\) December was to bring its own organisational challenges, specifically an accident that blocked the A3 and ensnared the Oxford coach leaving them stranded for the best part of two hours. Following regular updates between the Oxford captain, the Cambridge team and Thames Hare and Hounds, it was finally agreed to put the start of the 40\(^{th}\) ladies’ race back to 2.30 p.m. with the gentlemen going off at 2.45 p.m. as usual. This meant that for the first (and hopefully only) time, the races were run concurrently, which was not the ideal situation for either runners or spectators, but did ensure both races were completed before the winter darkness fell.

The day had opened as is traditional with the 24\(^{th}\) Old Blues’ Race, which went off at the usual time of 1.00 p.m. Despite having the first home in Will Mackay (Cambridge), the Light Blues were soundly beaten by the greater depth of the Oxford mob by 198 points to 254, scoring 14-a-side. This was the Dark Blues’ ninth victory in ten years, thus extending their lead in the series to 15 wins to 9.

The 40\(^{th}\) ladies’ race was honoured by the presence as starter of Lynne Fox (née Wightman – Lady Margaret Hall) – the winner of the inaugural race in the series in 1976. She was given a warm ovation by both teams prior to setting the 14 runners on their way. Once the race had settled down following the crossing of the Beverley Brook watersplash, it was clear that it was going to expectation, with Oxford’s top two of 2014 winner Sophia Saller (St. Catherine’s) and captain Bethanie Murray (Jesus) featuring strongly at the front but with their young team unable to provide the necessary support against a formidable Cambridge septet. With Emily Ruane (Magdalene) going with Murray and Saller and the rest packing behind them, it was clear that but for a catastrophe it was going to be the Light Blues’ day again. And so it proved to be with Ruane managing to take Saller in the run-in on the Memorial Playing Fields to secure the individual victory. The winning margin was 23 points to 38 and it represented the Light Blues’ fourth success in a row, their best run in the series since 1986. However, with plenty of youth in the Oxford side and providing they can keep together, they should be in a position to challenge strongly in 2016. Given the long run of Dark Blue success of the 1990s and 2000s, they remain comfortably ahead in
the series by 23 wins to 17.

There was added edge to the 125th gentlemen’s race with the series score locked together at 62 wins apiece. Following their excellent and somewhat unexpected team success of 2014 and with six of that side back, plus two useful additions, Oxford entered the contest optimistic of success. Despite having lost their top two from 2014, the Light Blues had shown plenty of youthful promise in their season’s races and hoped to put up a stiff challenge. However, the loss in the week before the race of Oliver Fox (Robinson) to European selection was a big blow to their prospects.

In the opening miles of the race, with captain Josh Carr (Sidney Sussex), Kelvin Gomez (Homerton) and Philip Crout (St. Catharine’s) challenging strongly, they kept alive their hopes of an upset. However, by halfway and the meadow out towards Parkside, Oxford had moved out strongly at the front and were occupying the first four places and an unassailable position in the team event. So long as they could hold on, victory was assured. With Rhodes Scholar Miles Unterreiner (St. John’s) leading the way and a gap of almost 20 seconds between Jamie Parkinson (Jesus) in fourth and the first Light Blues in fifth, an upset looked highly unlikely and, as with the ladies’ race, so it proved to be. Unterreiner duly took victory in his second race and he was followed over the line by William Christofi (University), Alex Howard (Christ Church) and Parkinson before Gomez (the first Light Blue) to secure a 27 points to 55 win, their biggest in the series since 1987 and the biggest by either side since 1993. This result nudged Oxford back ahead in the series (63 wins to 62). With many of both sides returning in 2016, it should prove to be another interesting contest.

On the evening before the race, Oxford marked the races’ milestones with a reunion of former members at the Oxford and Cambridge Club, which was attended by 60, amongst them former winners of the race including Lynne Fox, Julian Goater, Warwick Ewers, Nick Brawn, Emma Coleman-Jones, Richard Nerurkar, Simon Mugglestone and Simon Baines. It is hoped that this will become a fairly regular event, so further details will be provided in the future. The full list of attendees was as follows: Richard Morgan; David Richards; John Bryant; Martin Muers; John Waterhouse; Nick Brawn; Chris Cheeseman; Diane Cheeseman; Warwick Ewers; Lynne Fox; Julian Goater; Victor Le Grand; Richard O’Brien; Kevin Rutledge; Tracey Rutledge; Stephen Walsh; Lynne Whitaker; Chris Daniels; Andrew Leach; Larry Mathews; Simon Mugglestone; Richard Nerurkar; Amanda Powell; Matthew Power; Andy Robinson; Fiona Simpson; Andy Arbou; Simon Baines; Matthew Bateson; Robert Bowyer; Edward Broome; Hsu Min Chung; John Clark; Dorchie Cockerell; Emma Coleman-Jones; Richard Collier; Charlotte Fisher; Alex Gaskell; Vicky Goodwin; Emma Huepfl; Alan Humphreys; Alun Johns; Matthew Jones; David Kirk; Jenny Martin; Stewart Martin; Simon Molden; Marc Poulin; David Sarphie; Phillip Scarr; Emma Sokell; Simon Stebbings; Andy Weir; Matthew Willifer; Mara Yamauchi; and Bethan Hopewell.

Simon Molden

The 40th Ladies’ University Cross-Country Race
4 miles

1. E.M. Ruane Magdalene Cambridge 23:37
2. S.M.F. Saller St. Catherine’s Oxford 23:42
3. B.R. Murray* Jesus Oxford 24:06
4. E.J. Apsley Pembroke Cambridge 24:25
5. K. Hedgehorne Murray Edwards Cambridge 24:32
6. E. Hughes Pembroke Cambridge 24:45
7. A.S. Lovewell Trinity Cambridge 24:53
8. E.A.S. Mooney* Newnham Cambridge 24:58
9. A.L. Greggor King’s Cambridge 25:16
Dr. William Gilbert (W.G.) Grace died on October 23 1915, so 2015 was the centenary of his death. He did not attend either of Oxford or Cambridge Universities (although his son, W.G. junior, gained Cricket Blues while studying at Pembroke College, Cambridge, in 1895 and 1896). Thus although not really qualified to appear in these Achilles Club pages, W.G. (senior) nevertheless had an influence on Oxbridge and even National athletics, and, to a degree, athletics may have influenced his own career.

Born on 18 July 1848, the son of a west-country doctor, WG became a most athletic youth (6’0” tall, weighing 11 stone), carrying nothing like the bulk that he developed in later years. In his teens and early twenties, athletics, especially hurdles, was his main sport after cricket. After his schooling, he began a very lengthy qualification to become a doctor, by an “apprenticeship” to medical men in Bristol and elsewhere. This slow process of qualification allowed him plenty of time for sport. Grace was a brilliant cricketer from college, Cambridge, in 1895 and 1896). Thus although not really qualified to appear in these Achilles Club pages, W.G.

The Old Blues' Race

1. Will Mackay Robinson Cambridge 20.52
2. Will Mycroft New College Oxford 21.39
3. James Hoad Christ's Cambridge 21.58
4. Alex Muir Brasenose Oxford 22.25
5. Sam Ashcroft Jesus Cambridge 22.36
6. Ben Hope St. John's Cambridge 22.43
8. Chris McGurk Wadham Oxford 22.51
9. Simon Molden Christ Church Oxford 23.26
10. Richard Hewitt Jesus Cambridge 23.50
12. Robin Brown Jesus Cambridge 24.20
14. Richard Mathie Selwyn Cambridge 24.41
15. David Taylor Trinity Oxford 24.44
16. Graeme Moyse St. Peter's Oxford 25.00
17. Chris Daniels Worcester Oxford 25.03
18. Will Bowers Trinity Cambridge 25.22
19. Andy Archer University Oxford 25.25
20. John Clark St. Hugh's Oxford 25.50
22. Polly Keen New Hall/Murray Edwards Cambridge 26.18
25. Marc Poulon New College Oxford 28.35
26. Alex Gaskell St. Anne's Oxford 28.35
29. Richard Collier St. Edmund Hall Oxford 30.45
30. Eddie Broome Oriel Oxford 30.45
31. Simon Baines Magdalen Oxford 30.45
32. Matthew Bateson Keble Oxford 30.45
33. Alan Humphreys University Oxford 30.45
34. Matthew Willifer Lady Margaret Hall Oxford 30.45
35. Charles Monk Queens' Cambridge 31.01
36. Chris Brodie Magdalen Oxford 34.21
37. Mark Coley Wolfson Cambridge 34.51
38. John Austin Queens' Cambridge 36.41
39. David Jenkins Emmanuel Cambridge 38.07
40. Neil Mathur Churchill Cambridge 38.38
an early age, and was very keen to become recognised as serious in that sport, which required playing in “first-class” games (the M.C.C. being arbiters). But Gloucestershire did not become a first-class county until 1870, so WG was unable to play much first-class cricket in the period 1865 (when he made his debut as a 17-year old) to 1868 (he played in only 24 first-class matches in that four year period). Grace was very keen to become a member of the M.C.C., but this club was reluctant to recognise the young westcountryman as a gentleman-amateur (and Grace’s brother, E.M., although elected in 1862 was regarded as something of a liability in the club). The M.C.C. at that time, was being very cautious in its dealings with the suspect, but very successful, travelling professional teams, particularly the “United South of England XI”, so WG, although regularly invited by the USE, wisely only played in five or their 63 fixtures in the period 1866-68.

Thus restricted in his cricket, Grace competed, often successfully, as an athlete, both locally and more widely. In the early 1860s there was no English national athletics governing body. But William Penny Brookes (whose Much Wenlock Olympian Games began in 1850), John Hulley, Charles Melly and others initiated a move, in autumn 1865, to form a National Olympian Society to promote athletics nationally. At almost the same time, in December 1865, another group, led by the recent Cambridge graduate John Chambers and including other Oxbridge names (Richard Webster, Charles Lawes, Percy Thornton, the Earl of Jersey) set up the “Amateur Athletic Club”. In something of a rush, each set up its first “national championships”, the AAC getting in first with their event at Beaufort House, London on 23 March 1866, while the NOA held theirs at Crystal Palace, London on 1 August 1866. The former was a great success, the latter less so. WG was playing cricket for “an England XI” against Surrey in a three-day fixture beginning on July 30 1866 at the Oval - he scored 224 out of 521 on the first day, and assisted in restricting Surrey to 84-8 on the second. He asked his Captain if he could take the third day off, and being so permitted, ran and won a hurdles race at the Crystal Palace the next day. Even this did not save the NOA from a rather dismal end, while the AAC, for the moment, succeeded.

Grace won other races in summer 1866, and after the cricket season finished, he continued to compete, often for valuable prizes, in athletics meetings. As Grace’s recent biographer writes “in the middle of November 1866, he spent several days in Oxford competing in the annual round of athletics meetings held by various Colleges including Merton, Exeter and Queens. It is not clear where Grace stayed, but one possible host was the rowing and cricket Blue Edmund Carter, who had invited WG to breakfast at his college, Worcester, during a cricket match a few months earlier. Grace entered most of the athletics meetings as W.G. Grace of Bristol, but for the race at Merton his name was put as W.G. Grace (Marylebone Cricket Club). Perhaps it was a clerical error, or perhaps WG was making a sly joke about the M.C.C.’s failure to elect him to the club”. This was perhaps, ill-advised, because WG had to wait until 1869 to be elected to the M.C.C.

It was probably in one of these races at Oxford, a little later, that Grace competed against Clement Jackson in a hurdles race. Jackson (born 2 April 1846 and so two years older than WG) had matriculated at Magdalen Hall, Oxford in October 1864. He did not compete against Cambridge in his first or second years, but broke the world record for the 120y hurdles with 16.0 seconds on 14 November 1865 in his College sports. Jackson did compete against Cambridge in his third year, after running 16.6 seconds in the OUAC trials in February 1867, and won the Varsity match in a slower time (17.8 seconds). Jackson was destined to remain in Oxford for the rest of his life, becoming “auditor” of OUAC in 1868; gaining his BA and a Fellowship and Tutorship at Hertford in 1869, as well as becoming Senior Treasurer of OUAC in that same year, a post he held for another fifty.

Clement Jackson’s conversion from athletics competitor to athletics official/administrator was the result of a serious foot injury he sustained when he spiked a hidden oyster shell (track surfaces were suspect at that time) when hurdling against Grace, probably in winter 1867-68. He once wrote “from that day forth I have never run again, never tasted an oyster, and never spoken to WG the great”.

Jackson was a most able, forceful athletics administrator, and it was his lead, along with the support he received from Montague Shearman and Bernard Wise (respectively immediate past, and current Presidents of OUAC), that allowed the trio...
Squadron Leader AF Hignell (Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge, 1946-49)

An outstanding all-round sportsman, Antony Hignell was a regular member of both the LX club and the Crusaders. His path to a cricket Blue was blocked by future England all-rounder Trevor Bailey, although he did play one first class match while up at Cambridge. But his real forte was athletics.

Having placed 3rd in 1948, the following year he won the javelin (and placed 3rd in the discus) in the Varsity Sports. He came fourth for England in the 1950 Empire Games in Auckland, represented Great Britain, and was national record-holder for a time.

He was father of the Cambridge and England rugby union player and Cambridge and Gloucestershire cricketer Alastair Hignell.


Michael Palmer, an Olympian in 1960, was most proud of his performance in the Varsity cross-country races, which he won 3 times in 1956, 1958 and 1959. In 1957 he placed 4th in the Varsity Sports over 3 miles.

Michael joined Haberdashers’ as an English teacher, and their alumni magazine noted “In June 1960, Michael ran for England against Italy and was only 0.8 seconds outside the Olympic qualifying time of 8 minutes 45 seconds, so raced throughout the summer to secure selection. After the British Games on 13 August, he was selected to represent Great Britain in the 3,000 metres steeplechase. However, The Times sounded a note of caution for Britain’s chances in Rome: ‘It was all good fun, but now the roll of drums can be faintly heard and we must be prepared for the heads of Britain’s champions to fall.’ The warning was prescient. After the British team had endured the opening ceremony under a blazing sun, Michael Palmer came 8th in his steeplechase heat, a performance that The Times judged to be ‘most disappointing’.”

JN Saunders (Exeter College, Oxford, 1946-49) in early 2015

John Saunders place 2nd in the long jump at the Varsity Sports of 1948, The same year, with Godfrey Brown, John Mark and Derek Steel, he was part of the Achilles silver medal winning team in the 4 x 440y at the AAA Championships.

PO Prior (Jesus College, Cambridge 1955-58) in July 2013

Peter Prior was 3rd for Cambridge in the Shot Put in the 1957 Varsity Sports, and 3rd in the discus and 4th in the shot in 1958 4th and 3rd disc Varsity Matches.

Dr GAW Ross (Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge, 1962-65) in September 2014


BD Whitaker (Gonville & Caius College, Cambridge, 1957-60) during 2015.

Brian Whittaker joined the Achilles Club in 1958 and represented Cambridge in the javelin.
Dr CR Leeson (St Catharine’s College, Cambridge, 1944-47) on 12th May 2006.

Roland Leeson won the high jump in the Varsity Sports of 1946, and placed 3rd in 1947.

He participated in the Achilles Scottish Tour of 1946 (see photo).

(back row, fourth from right)

RJ Chapman (St Catharine’s College, Cambridge, 1955-58) on 22nd November 2015.

Roy Chapman competed over 880y in the Varsity Sports of 1958. He was a regular and generous donor to the Achilles Trust, and had attended the Trust’s dinner at the RAF Club in London in late 2014.

Dr DS Tunstall Pedoe (King’s College, Cambridge, 1958-61) in the summer of 2015

Dan was an avid runner, competing for Cambridge and later for Barts and for Orion Harriers.

A pioneer in sports medicine, he gained funding to start the first sports medicine institute in London at Barts. His enthusiasm and his expertise made him the natural choice to be appointed as chief medical officer of the London Marathon for its first running in 1981. ‘Dr Dan’ kept the position for 27 years, expanding the medical team from one doctor to 36 while maintaining an impressive safety record. He shared his unparalleled knowledge of marathon medicine by editing an influential book summarising research, ‘Marathon Medicine’ (2000).

AHM Munt (Trinity Hall, Cambridge, 1989-91) on 16th December 2014

Alastair Munt was killed in a car crash by a drunk driver. He improved as a thrower substantially during the 1991 season, in which year he won the Varsity Match and placed 2nd in both shot and hammer. His penchant for assuming Hibernian aliases (often competing under the name ‘McTavish’ or similar) is fondly remembered. He remains 2nd on the CUAC all-time Discus list with 47.11m.

SJQ Robinson (Exeter College, Oxford, 1948-52) in November 2013

John Robinson was an accomplished high hurdler during the golden post war period of inter Varsity athletics. He was a close third behind Peter Hildreth and Paul Vine in the Varsity Sports of 1951, and second to Paul in the 1952. Against Harvard & Yale he was 3rd at the White City in 1951.

John officiated at the Varsity Match into old age and his daughter writes ‘His involvement with athletics over the years was a significant part of his life which gave him enormous pleasure as a competitor, coach and judge. Could I thank your organisation for the part that it played in that.’
Dr GC Malachowski (Churchill College, Cambridge, 1977-80) in June 2013.

George Malachowski won the discus in the Varsity Match of 1978 (and placed 2nd in 1979 and 3rd in 1980). As a shot putter he placed 2nd in 1979 and 3rd in 1978. But it was at the hammer throw that he found his true forte, improving from 3rd place in 1979 to a new Match Record (and CUAC record) 51.86m when winning in 1980. This Varsity record was subsequently revoked when it was found that he had been ineligible, but meanwhile he had been crowned UAU hammer champion in 1981 with 50.44 (Seb Coe won the 400m that year). He had been unwell for an extended time after hip-replacement surgery in 2010.

The hammer throw has always been an idiosyncratic event. As such it suited George Malachowski, who took up athletics while working as a postgraduate student in Cambridge in the late 1970s. Four-square and bespectacled, he appreciated the hammer-throw’s twin demands of technical delicacy and physical effort. Roy Carter as CUAC coach got him exercising staying this weekend? Presently we saw a female figure approaching – inadequately dressed for the season, and picking her way in stilettos. Even at a distance it was clear she was not happy. ‘We’re training,’ growled George. ‘Tell her to f... off, Gomme’.

I doubt Paul tried those words – but after thusted; once George had decided to become proficient, his application was exemplary, and contagious. I remember cycling along wintry paths to a session at Milton Road, wondering if this might be one occasion when George failed to show. But he was already there, using a flame-gun to melt the frozen surface of the throwing-circle. As we were warming up, Paul Gomme also materialized. Paul was bleary-eyed, and we were surprised to see him. Had he not told us that his girlfriend was some intense negotiation by the long-jump pit, the girl walked away, her arms ominously folded, and Paul returned to pick up his hammer. George gave a curt nod of approval. We had drills to do – regardless of snow, and affairs of the heart. George lodged with his wife Jan at the top of the large red-brick house that is 1, Madingley Road. He converted an unused garage into a weights room, and invited fellow-throwers to share it; the mark of a satisfactory work-out for the fraternity was to adjourn to the attic-flat for a tin of George’s favoured beverage – Carlsberg Special Brew, a beer outlawed in his native Australia. Successive treasurers of CUAC were too terrified of George to demand his annual subscription, but really he was a generous spirit. And behind the performance of an Aussie red-neck was a man who liked to read Latin satirical poetry at bedtime, and who pursued scientific research with an open, questing intelligence. A soft heart was also there, if well hidden. It was while George was taken to hospital during a training camp that Paul Gomme took the opportunity of having a check-up, only to find that his vaguely painful knee harboured a condition deadlier than George’s torn Achilles tendon. Paul’s spirited effort to keep up his throwing as the cancer spread made a deep impression upon George – and perhaps bolstered his own fight against premature mortality, two decades later. George never took himself, nor anyone else, too seriously. As far as I know, however, his vow to enter a hammer competition wearing a spiked Prussian military helmet went unfulfilled.

- Nigel Spivey

JG Hartley (Selwyn College, Cambridge, 1939-40) some time before July 2015.

Hartley represented Cambridge against Oxford over 440y in one of the Wartime Matches of 1940.

GR Scott (Jesus College, Cambridge, 1946-49) on 4th November 2013

Garnet Ramsay Scott came up to Cambridge after serving in the Navy on Atlantic convoy duty, and was elected to the Club in 1947. He went on to teach at Wellington, and at Malvern, where he was a house-master.
I was sad to read of the death of Alan Gordon.

Alan was in the Oxford team with Derek Johnson, Donald Gorrie and myself which was invited to run in three relays at the two day 1956 Penn Relays meet. The 4 x 880 yards and 4 x 1 mile races Oxford won easily but in the medley relay (440, 880, 1320 yards and 1 mile ) we were beaten into second place. While we thought we had a strong team, Villanova was even stronger starting with Charlie Jenkins (later to become the 1956 Olympic Gold 400 metres champion) and finishing with Ron Delany. On the final leg I took over two or three yards in front of Delany who trailed me for three and half laps before sprinting away to win (much like he did later in the year to the whole field in the Olympic final).

We had to settle for two gold watches each!

Ian Boyd
I didn’t make many visits to the Iffley Road track during my four years at Oxford – probably only the three authenticated by the programmes that I still have: two matches that I watched in 1963 but don’t recall at all (OUAC v AAA, and OUAC & CUAC v Birchfield Harriers), and the British Universities Sports Federation Championships in May 1964, which I watched in a hazy stupor after celebrating my 21st birthday the previous evening.

But the Varsity Match at the White City was another matter; it was the first athletics meeting I ever went to. Quite why my father took me to it I’m not sure since he had no involvement in athletics and we had no family connexion with either university. Unfortunately we arrived after the match had started and couldn’t get a programme; so I’m not sure which year that was – it must have been 1953 or 1954, since I have the programmes for all the White City matches from 1955 to 1969 except 1965, when the imminence of finals persuaded me to stay in Oxford to do some revision.

The cover of the 1955 programme gives the date of the match as April 16th, but adds ‘postponed from March 12th’. The originally scheduled date came just before the end of March, so as to leave the summer term free for rowing (if they had access to a suitable river) and cricket. And CUAC had the problem that with the track running round the outside of Fenners as described in last year’s Annual Report it was very difficult to do any athletics after mid-April since the cricket team played three-day matches against the counties virtually continuously throughout the term. It must have been inconvenient to hold the Varsity Match during the vacation in April, but the 1956 and 1957 matches were also in early April and the 1958 match in late March; from 1959 onwards the match was in early May since by then CUAC had the new track at Milton Road.

The programme in 1955 was undoubtedly thin; there were no women’s teams or men’s second teams, and no relays, steeplechase, 440 yards hurdles, hop, step & jump (to use the terminology of that era) or hammer, though in 1956 an invitation hammer competition was added, taking the place of a ‘demonstration’ that was to have been given by two OUAC athletes. The eight track events were stretched out over an hour and three-quarters, which allowed athletes to do some doubling up, though not nearly as much as Phyllis Agbo did in her prime. (Incidentally I organised the London Schools Year 7 Championships at which Phyllis was ‘discovered’ winning the high jump and have always felt she should have rewarded me by opting for Oxford rather than Cambridge.)

The two presidents in 1955 had very similar surnames: G.H. Jeffries (OUAC) and I.M.E. Jeffery (CUAC). The former, who came to Oxford from Otago University, won the high jump, the latter was unable to compete as planned in the long jump. By far the most distinguished athlete competing was the OUAC secretary Derek Johnson, who won both the 440 and the 880 yards, improving his own match record in the latter; in the following year when he was OUAC president he led his team to a resounding victory (the 100 and 220 yards being the only events that CUAC won); he himself again won the 440 and 880 yards and further improved his match record in the latter; and at the end of the year he came agonisingly close to winning the gold medal in the 800 metres at the Melbourne Olympics.
I have just spent a happy hour this afternoon, among the CUAC (and CUAC Committee) archives at the Cambridge University Library (being old and retired, I can afford the time). Results of my efforts:-

1. The Varsity Relays of 29 November 1959. Won by Cambridge 4-3. 4x110y to Cambridge; 4x440y to Oxford; both hurdles relays to Cambridge; distance relays shared. Of the 4 x 220y, the press report said "the oldest record on the books, the 4 x 220y dating from 1937, was safe after the first takeover, Oxford’s change being jerky, while Roberts to Cope resulted in a dropped baton". This would explain the large winning margin - Oxford (Todman, Turp, Hackman, Macklin) 1:32.2; Cambridge (Roberts, Cope, Price, Smouha) 1:40.4. At the page where this match is reported, there is also a piece of the Light Blue ribbon (cut by Lord Burghley, and mentioned by John) stuck on. During my later 20-year stint as Secretary of the Blues Committee, this piece of ribbon was sometimes used as the “gold standard” when the exact and proper shade of Light Blue was being discussed.

2. CUAC Officers at that time. The Committee Minute book reports: for year 1959-60 President: Mike Robinson, Secretary Tony Cope; for year 1960-61 President: Mike Parker, Secretary Brian Smouha; for year 1961-62 President: Brian Smouha, Secretary Pat Liles; for Year 1962-63 President: unsure (see below), Secretary John Price; for year 1963-64 President: John Cook, Secretary Eric Robinson.

The CUAC Committee Minute Book was kept pretty neatly by its successive Secretaries (and a few years later reported, gloomily accurately, my own worries about CUAC finances from the moment I began my first spell as CUAC Senior Treasurer!). But I am sorry to say that Pat Liles’ tenure of Office was somewhat fraught. The first minute of his first Committee meeting says "the Secretary was reprimanded for his lateness!" This is in his handwriting, as are the reports of the rest of the Committee meetings of 1961-62. But the subsequent (short) note in another hand (surely John Price’s) explains laconically that the Minute book crossed the Atlantic with the Secretary, when he finished his Cambridge career in the summer of 1962, and did not reappear in Cambridge for 12 months!

Thus this 1962-63 Secretary (John P) had to keep notes of the Committee meetings, and then had to transcribe these into the Minute book when it, at last, reappeared. By which time, John Cook had been elected President. Because the book had been missing, the 1961-62 President’s signature does not appear. With John’s period of Office confused by the problem of the “missing minute book” (shades of Laing and the transatlantic migration of the 1860 Oxford tome!), he might well have felt that he was Secretarying for 2 years, rather than one?

Chris Thorne
Claire and I enjoyed an autumn break in New York, and in particular a very convivial AAF dinner at the Yale Club. It was especially good to see former Cornell coach Lou Duesing and current coach Artie Smith (photo right), and to progress the initiative of the charming Charlie Moore (gold medallist over 400m hurdles at the 1952 Olympics) to record the history of Cornell’s participation in the Transatlantic Series.

Charlie told us how his success came partly from being the first athlete regularly to run 13 strides changing down to 15’s. We discussed how that pattern held good for e.g. David Hemery in Mexico and that it did not really occur to anyone to alternate until after that. He also recounted how he ran 50.7 in the heats (an American record – the WR at the time was 50.4). It then rained heavily for 24 hours before the final, by which time the cinder track was a bit of a quagmire: he won in 50.8, but reckons that in better conditions he would have been close to 50 flat that day.

-Paul Willcox

The 1975 match was particularly important to me for the re-introduction of the Hammer Throw after an absence of over 50 years. I presume it was dropped for safety reasons. Thereafter its return, which required agreement from both teams, was presumably blocked by one team or the other depending on who thought they would be disadvantaged. This despite a number of good Hammer throwers passing through both clubs at various times.

I matriculated in 1973 together with another experienced Hammer thrower, Phil Andrews. We took no part in the 1974 match which Oxford won comfortably. Obviously feeling magnanimous in this position, Oxford allowed the event to be included for 1975 despite knowing that Cambridge would probably get maximum points in the Hammer throw. This we duly did, although Phil was injured and was replaced by Paul Orchart in what even he would accept was his third best event. The winning margin for Cambridge in the match was less than the points difference in the Hammer, so we could, with some justification, claim ‘it was the Hammer throwers wot won it’. Actually, the arrival of freshman Tony Shiret, winning all three of his events, was more influential in swinging the match in our favour.

Tony and I were reunited a couple of years later when we were both studying at Loughborough. After the biggest fixture of the season against Borough Road College, I rather unwisely decided to wear my Blues blazer to the post-match celebrations. Whilst leading the rugby songs, standing on a table in the hall, the lights were suddenly extinguished and the entire Borough Road team threw their pints of beer at me. Despite numerous dry-cleaning attempts, my blazer has never lost its resulting brown tinge. Another Loughborough team mate on that occasion was a Sebastian Coe. Whatever happened to him?

Peter English
A droll extract from the Minutes of the Cambridge University Board of Examinations, 1985

The Cambridge University Athletics Club had managed to get itself involved in a match against Oxford on Saturday 18 May, right at the beginning of the examination period. Naturally, some athletes were caught out. Tutors began ringing up to ask whether their pupils could take their examinations the previous day.

As the calls continued to come, more details began to emerge. Not just one match, but three were involved. A first men’s match, a second men’s match and a women’s match. The Secretary asked for a complete statement of the damage. A pained letter from the Secretary of CUAC [Andrew Fischer] reached him, giving a number of names and expressing surprise that the dates of examinations should have been brought forward this year as compared with last year: … the match had been arranged by the Achilles Club … training for a year … prospect of a Blue … match on a knife edge … appreciate all the problems but would be most appreciative if… The Secretary tried to get hold of the President of the Club [Dom Emery], who turned out to be in America. He consulted the University Treasurer, who was Senior Treasurer of the Athletics Club [Basil Shone], and he confirmed the problem: examinations must of course come first, but if anything could be done…

The Secretary at last managed to get hold of the President and explained to him the security problems. The Secretary asked whether the match could be postponed to the Sunday. But Umpires of distinguished athletic pedigree from elsewhere were involved; there were problems of accommodation; and then, of course, there was the dinner. The dinner? Well, yes, the dinner was most important. After the match everyone had a tremendous binge and got thoroughly stoned. Nobody could possibly sacrifice that, least of all the distinguished umpires.

After one or two candidates who did not wish to contemplate any interference with their examinations had been discounted, we were left with a hard core of six people cope with. The Secretary continued to demand assurances about security, which he had no expectation of being fulfilled. To his surprise, the President came back fairly quickly with a barrowload of assurances and shovelled them all over the floor. Tutors were supposed to be willing to invigilate the candidates and put them up overnight, and all sorts of senior members including a Master of a College were willing to ride shotgun on the team coach and keep an eye on the candidates during most of the Saturday, so that no illicit communication with candidates in Cambridge still to take the relevant examinations would be possible.

The Secretary cautiously made enquiries of those accused of this generosity, and found that they were indeed willing to help in the way described. So he allowed the six candidates to take their examinations on the Friday, watched like hawks even through lunch breaks and so on, taken off to two different Tutor’s houses immediately their examinations ended and brought back to catch the team coach at 9 a.m.: senior members duly watched over them until the time when the examinations began in Cambridge.

The Secretary had refused to do anything about the second men’s match, but the first men’s match was apparently lost, and the women’s match was narrowly won.

The Secretary was showered with letters of thanks afterwards and promises that never again would such a thing happen. The Athletics Syndicate decided to circulate Senior Treasurers of all clubs, warning them to avoid the examination period and advising them that there were plenty of ways of discovering when examinations were to be held. The only reply to have been received so far is from the Senior Treasurer of the Athletics Club who said that matches are arranged more than a year in advance and the next Oxford match has been fixed for 17 May 1986! Luckily it looks as though that will be clear of examinations.
1990: Maggie Anderson’s CUAC scrapbook

CUAC training in Padua

BUSF Champs

Woodford Green
After the personal disappointment of missing the 1989 Ivy League tour and the whole summer season due to illness, I commenced the following year as CUAC President determined to make the most of the unexpected extra undergraduate year granted to me. It was a bonus that my close friend since the Freshers Match in my first term, Maggie Anderson, was to be the Ladies Captain; we knew that whatever happened it was going to be a year to remember!

The year kicked off even before we were back at college for the Michaelmas term with the September Achilles Ball at HRH Stinson’s beautiful home in Englefield Green. There was a fantastic turnout for the event of young and old and it was a memorable evening to kick off the new academic year.

Whilst the Cambridge athletes were still making the trek out to the cinder track at Milton Road, one exciting development for the year was the news that Cambridge would get a new all-weather track and a team ably led by Chris Thorne was set up to design the new facility. I was lucky to be appointed to the team and had considerable input into the configuration and layout of the new track (yes, all the jumpers and throwers of the modern era can blame me for any undesirable side effects of the orientation!). We really wanted to deliver something special to the Cambridge athletics community, and it gave me great pleasure only 3 years ago to take my teenage kids back to Cambridge (from our home in Sydney, Australia) to race around the new track. Needless to say we all died of the heat at the finishing line!

To try and make up for the Milton Road track, which became unusable once the first frosts of the year kicked in, we would make a weekly training trip up the A14 to St Ives where a new tartan track had been laid. These were memorable trips on a Friday lunchtime in the CUSU mini-bus, usually driven by yours truly, up the A14 with the radio turned up to the max and all 15 passengers belting out the latest hits at the top of their lungs. Whenever I hear the pop hits from that year my mind is drawn back to those weekly treks and some of the regular characters who would come and do the tortuous 300m training sets.

The other regular events in the winter months were the almost weekly trips down to Haringey indoor track for a winter league and much needed competition on a decent surface. We would rent several cars from ‘Rent a Wreck’ (yes, that was the actual name of the hire company and they charged $10 per day (including insurance!)) and pile everyone into them for the trip down the M11. To say that the cars had seen better days was an understatement, and most wouldn’t have looked out of place on the set of ‘The Sweeney’, but they ably got us up and back every time. The only untoward incident I can remember was with someone’s 2CV (their pride and joy) which burst into flames on the way back up the M11, and the athletes had to abandon the car on the hard shoulder as it burnt to the ground. Happily no-one was
Maggie and I had decided that to make the year a success we needed to try and create not only the best training and coaching opportunities, but also genuine team camaraderie. We decided on maximising the opportunities to get the team away together with top coaching support, and we ended up organising three successful trips between Xmas and the Varsity Match, with a winter training camp in Brighton, an Easter camp in Padua, Italy and then a trip to the BUSF championships in early May which were held in Antrim, Northern Ireland that year. We were ably supported by our coaching team, Bridget Wheeler and Trevor Llewelyn, and had extra input from world renowned coaches such as Max Jones (who came to Cambridge monthly to give advice on the more technical field events) and Wilf Paish (who accompanied us on the Padua training camp). Both Max and Wilf had trained Olympic champions and both were Head Coaches for UK Athletics in their time.

The aim was achieved and I can honestly say that the summer track season that year was the highlight of my time at Cambridge, with incredible team camaraderie and fun (not to mention a stack of memorable performances). Whilst we ultimately weren’t good enough to overcome Oxford in the Varsity Match, this wasn’t because the team hadn’t given their all and failed to achieve PBs when it mattered, but more to do with the talent at Oxford’s disposal. It was also a special Varsity Match that year with the running of the mile to commemorate Roger Bannister’s breakthrough achievement on the same track in 1954 and celebrate the newly re-laid facility. It was a memorable race, capped by a remarkable performance by Simon Mugglestone in breaking the record in front of Roger Bannister and Norris McWhirter no less! Happily the Varsity Dinner at the Randolph Hotel was an enjoyable event not spoiled by over
A great day for Oxbridge athletics featured an attempt on Roger Bannister's Iffley Road ground record for the Mile, 3 minutes 59.4 seconds, which had withstood all assaults since May 6th 1954. The attempt was to coincide with the opening of the re-laid track. Media interest in the event was high.

The Presidents agreed to the inclusion of Achilles guest competitors, in order to ensure a fast pace. Pre-race favourites were Simon Mugglestone, representing Oxford in the match event, and guest Andy Geddes, winner of the 'Varsity 1500m in 1987. Other guests included internationals Richard Nerurkar, Jerry Barton and Paul Rowbotham.

Rowbotham, the SCAA 800m Champion, set a perfect pace, covering 2 laps in a fraction under 2 minutes. Mugglestone then led, tracked by Geddes, with future marathon Olympian Nerurkar about 5 yards adrift. Geddes, the 1989 AAA Indoor 1500m Champion at 1500m, struck at about 300 yards from home, opened up a lead around the final turn and looked to have the race won.

Geddes' early run for home was one of the two factors which made a new record a possibility: the second was Mugglestone's determination not to be beaten in front of his home crowd. Geddes led at 1500m but then Mugglestone clawed his way back, inch by inch, finally passing Geddes 30 yards before the line, and punching the air in victory as he crossed it. Simon's time, intoned once more by Norris McWhirter, was 3 minutes 58.9 seconds, half a second inside the ground record. Andy equalled the old record in second, and had the consolation of having set a new record for 1500m en route.

Mugglestone returned barely 35 minutes later to win the 5000m, from BUSF silver medallist Larry Matthews. No less than seven other match records were also set during the day. Gill Howard cleared 1.80m for the first time in her career in the high jump. Emma Westlake set new figures at both 100m hurdles, 14.4 seconds, and long jump, 5.84 metres, and also scored an unexpected win in the 100m. Tony Hatton threw the javelin to a new record of 63.84m. Sian Pilling won the 800/1500m double, both in new record times. Maggie Anderson, 38.78m discus, and Halcyon Wills, 41.18m javelin, also set new records. Notable, too, was Julian Thompson's 200/400m double, both in very fast times.
Coming into my fourth year at Oxford, it’s fair to say my University athletics career had been blighted by hamstring injuries. Indeed, I recently found a gift given to me by Kenny Stirrat and Andy Martyn - Lillywhites Sports Injuries Handbook. Their inscription reads “Yo Martin – Hope this ensures an injury free ‘89-‘90 although we have our doubts...”. Needless to say I was delighted to make it to the Varsity match in one piece, with the bonus of a place in the closely fought Penn Cornell match, following a last minute withdrawal.

Looking back I have many happy memories of my year as OUAC President during which it was both a real privilege and hugely enjoyable to work alongside Ladies’ Captain Emma Westlake. I remember the infamous Thursday circuit training sessions at Iffley Road gym, with Coach Graham Tanner’s extensive flexibility session with music to accompany the stretching ahead of the real pain of the circuits. Then there were the training sessions we held on the outfield of the cricket pitch at University Parks -- a necessity because Iffley Road track was closed for much of the year for re-surfacing. I recall a few long training runs and one or two cold cross-country races with the marvellous OUCCC crew. Through to the frisbee throwing on the in-field of the track ahead of the Varsity Match as a way of trying to relax ourselves ahead of the Match and, as importantly, appear relaxed as our Cambridge rivals arrived. And then of course there were our many social events throughout the year.

Going back to the beginning of the ‘89-’90 season, Emma and I started the new academic year with high hopes and a bold aim, even if we did not have a track for most of the season. Our aim was to win both Mens’ and Ladies’ Blues Matches for the first time ever, with Emma promising to make a special appearance in the Christchurch dash if we achieved that.

The opening of the new track at Iffley Road provided the perfect opportunity to build interest in the Varsity Match by tapping into an incredible moment in athletics history. Having discovered that Roger Bannister still held the ground record for the mile, following his historic 1954 run of 3 minutes 59.4, the time was ripe for an attempt on this record. A mile was run rather than the 1,500m and Achilles guest competitors were included, for the first time in the history of the Match. BBC’s Grandstand turned up with a camera crew and Simon Mugglestone duly delivered – running brilliantly and determinedly to win in a new record of 3 minutes 58.9 from Simon Geddes.

Sir Roger, who opened the newly re-surfaced track at the start of the Match, was very gracious in remarking he was delighted the record had fallen, especially pleased it had gone to an Oxford man. Much more gracious than a former Oxford rowing Blue that I found myself working with a number of years later who, unaware of my involvement as President in 1990, expressed considerable annoyance that “some plonkers” had thought it a good idea to break the record, otherwise it would still have stood to this day!

Talking to my father recently about the 1990 Varsity Match, he remembers being asked on the day by Olympic medallist Adrian Metcalfe whether he was the Australian miler, John Landy, the second man to break the 4 minute mile barrier. It still makes him smile to this day. For the record, Dad was a very useful 100 and 220 yard sprinter in his youth and is from Suffolk rather than Australia.

There were a number of other highlights from the day, which saw eight more records broken, seven of these in the Ladies’ Match. Emma Westlake recorded two of these (100H and LJ), enjoying an extremely busy day during which she competed in no less than...
seven events, winning four of them. I do remember her looking particularly tired in her leg of the 4 x 400 relay!

Tony Hatton threw the javelin to a new record and was matched by Halcyon Wills’ record throw in the Ladies’ Match. The talented and lovely Sian Pilling not only completed an impressive 800/1500 double but set records in both events. There were records, too, for Maggie Anderson in the Discus and Gill Howard in the High Jump.

Overall, victories were secured by both Oxford Mens’ and Ladies’ teams on what proved to be great day overall for Oxbridge athletics. The day was capped for me by a dip in the steeplechase water jump followed by a great evening...
In one of Achilles' best team showings for several years the men's team of 2005 emerged victorious in a closely fought 4 way contest. The women placed a solid second (and combining the men's and women's score Achilles were first overall).

Consistency rather than individual brilliance was the order of the day, although Ben Moreau's selfless double at 1500m and 3000m deserves special mention. Other winners were Helen Edmundson at 200m, Hannah Hogben in the hammer, evergreens Claire Ridgley and Matt Weaver in their respective pole vaults, and the men's 4 x 400m team (in which event 1980 Varsity Match winner John McCabe's 52.7 leg for the B team - one in the eye for the selectors - defied his M45 status). The women's team was slightly thin on the ground, and they were able to cover almost all the events (Martine Bomb did five) is testament to the efforts of them all. It was good to see several other old stagers, like Phil Tyley for example, combining with the current and recent students so effectively.

WOMEN 100m
1 Martine Bomb 13.1, 100m Hurdles, 2 Martine Bomb 15.7, 5 Clare Ridgley 17.9, 200m, 1 Helen Edmundson 25.7, 4 Martine Bomb 26.6, 400m, 3 Kate Sam 63.0, 4 Clare Day 64.5, 800m, 4 Kate Sam 02:23.0, 5 Clare Day 02:23.7, 1500m, 2 Emily Ferenczi 04:56.8, 6 Zoe Barber 05:12.1, 3000m, 3 Emily Ferenczi 11:02.4, 4 X 100M, 4 Achilles 52.5 Sam, Edmundson, Barber, Bomb, 4 X 400M, 2 Achilles 04:16.2 Bomb 62.7, Edmundson 58.5, Sam 65.0 Barber, 70.0, SHOT, 5 Clare Ridgley 9.24M, 7 Hannah Hogben 9.22M, Hammer, 1 Hannah Hogben 36.88M, 5 Tamsin French 19.35M, Javelin, 4 Clare Palmer 26.93M, Discus, 5 Hannah Hogben 29.59M, 6 Clare Palmer 25.75M, Triple Jump, 3 Clare Ridgley 9.98M, High Jump, 1 Pte. N. Flaherty Army 1.70M, 2 Ailsa Wallace 1.70M, Long Jump, 6 Clare Ridgley 4.61M, Pole Vault, 1 Clare Ridgley 3.10M, 3 Verity Rees 2.30M

MEN, 100M, 1 Ben Ellis (Hampshire) 11.1, 5 Finlay Wright 11.3, 7 Toelme Ezekiel 11.4, 110M Hurdles, 1 Surrey 15.2, 3 Chris Sleeeman 15.7, 6 Steven Booth 17.4, 200M, 1 Ben Ellis (Hampshire) 22.9, 4 Toelme Ezekiel 23.9, 6 Jerome Clarisse 27.6, 400M, 2 Finlay Wright 50.1, 3 Kieran Millar 51.0, 400M Hurdles, 2 Gavin Hodgson 54.6, 800M, 3 Laurence Chandy 01:57.6, 6 Andy Owen 01:59.9, 1500M, 1 Ben Moreau 03:58.9, 2 Simon Wurr 04:01.4, 2000M
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2010 Paul Kirsch (LONDON)
2011 Gus Mercer (SURREY)
I am grateful for the responses to my piece in the 2014 Report from James Took (1947-50), John Simpson (1950-53), Richard Oldcorn (1956-59), Richard Wade (1956-59) and Keith Marsden (1951-54). From these good folk I have learnt that although most of my points seem to have been correct, there were some “additions and corrections”:

1. The College beyond the wall (NE on my map) called “Training College”, was, of course Hughes Hall and not Homerton.

2. The discus (says Oldcorn) was thrown from a circle in the very top right (in fact just off my map) in a south-westerly direction (so the track was on the right hand side of the throwers).

3. Hurdles were run in a number of directions - Simpson and Wade both say the 120yh was often run anticlockwise on the western straight; also the 220yh anticlockwise from where I marked 220y start. Although Simpson also says he ran clockwise on the eastern straight sometimes (and I myself remember running in both directions!).

4. The mile start must have been much nearer the announcers box (because 3 full circuits - (3 x 576y) = 1728y, nearly a mile, so you would only have to add a bit more. But Took, a miler himself, says the mile start was where I had marked the 440y start. But since he also agreed that the finish of all races was in the bottom, where I have marked "finish", I cannot reconcile this.

5. No-one remembers there actually being a tree inside the track (so this must be a myth, created by me). But some, particularly Took, remembers a very tight bend in the NE corner. This must be where the track was later “shortened” in spring 1951 (where I imaginatively labelled “tree”). I have found something relevant in the CUAC Committee minutes for winter 1950-51, when Brasher was certainly CUAC president, and Peter Hildreth, I think, CUAC Secretary (whoever WAS Secretary had very, very bad handwriting!). In these minutes: “30.10.1950 There was a discussion about finding a new site for CUAC. The Hockey Ground, Barton Road and St. Johns sports field were both suggested”. “1.3.1951 Both sites mentioned at the last meeting are unavailable. The best policy was to continue the work of improving the track at Fenners. Already the right angle bend was being reduced to a standard curve, as found on tracks of 4 laps to the mile”. This must surely be the NE corner.

John Simpson turns out to have been at school with me (although I was 3 years behind him); and also to be the leading man in the Wenlock Olympian Society, England’s "earliest athletic club".

Jan Arriens also wrote about the 1968 Fenners “centenary mile race” that I organised, to commemorate Walter Gibbs’ world Mile record at Fenners in 1868.

Chris Thorne

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**New Members**

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