



OLD CAMBRIAN SOCIETY (UK)

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OLD CAMBRIAN SOCIETY (UK) 2006 Annual Dinner

Friday 28th April

at

**The RAF Club
Piccadilly, London**

(see overleaf for more details and to reserve places....they're going quickly!!)

Impala magazines on CD

This project has been dormant for a couple of years, but during 2005 it was revived by the fabulous offer from **Martin Langley** (Nicholson 1956-61) who is now busily scanning all the Impalas we can lay our hands on. We hope to have the CD (or possibly DVD depending on the size of all the files) for sale at the Annual Dinner on 28th April at the RAF Club.

Price: £17—US\$30

This will be a truly historic record of the School and Kenya through the years (1932 to present), and will be a record that we hope all Old Cambrians will want to own.

We need your order **NOW!!** So if you require a copy, **please let the Secretary know** (contact details overleaf)

We are missing a few editions of the Impala, so if you have any of the following magazines - or access to them - please contact the Secretary immediately:

The first edition (1931/2) - we have No2 (Nov 1932)
1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1943, 1948 (July), 1989
and any others produced up to 2001

OCS Web Site

<http://www.oldcambrians.com>

1.72 million "hits" during 2005 !!

If you haven't visited the site, make every effort to.
If you regularly visit the site, enjoy!!

The web site has gone from "great to fantastic!!" over the past year(that's a quote from an Old Cambrian, not mine!)

I am extremely grateful to everyone who has contributed photos, memories & Alumni registrations, and the variety of material is quite astonishing. Several old boys have made major contributions to the creation of three truly unique and historic feature articles which now appear on the web site:

- * **Sir Herbert Baker & the Prince of Wales School** - the architect of the school buildings at Kabete
- * **"Philip Fletcher OBE, 1945-1959: a Headmaster Remembered"**
- * **Captain BWL Nicholson RN, CBE, DSO - the First Headmaster of the Prince of Wales School**

The last mentioned article was completed and published on the web site in Dec 2005 and is a masterpiece which necessitated countless hours of research and writing. The article has been greatly enhanced by the inclusion of some wonderful photos of the school from the 1930s which came from the photo collection of Bernard Astley, the second Headmaster of the school. These have been generously provided by Cynthia (née Astley) and Alastair McCrae (Rhodes 1943-6)



Captain BWL Nicholson



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Old Cambrian Society (UK) 2006 Annual Dinner

Menu

Queen's Pineapple with Prawns and Celery, bound with a Marie Rose sauce

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*Supreme of Chicken with Carrot and Watercress Mouse
(served with an ivory marsala sauce, a selection of vegetables and Lyonnaise potatoes)
Vegetarian option will be available upon request*

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Profiteroles with Chocolate Sauce

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Coffee and Petits Fours

Price - £30

(application form enclosed)

Reserve your place early to avoid disappointment
Maximum number of places - 110

6.30pm to 11pm - Cash bar in The Club Bar (ground floor)
7.30pm - Dinner in The Ballroom (first floor)

Slide Show of photos of "old boys" & the School
Launch of the sale of the Impala CD/DVD
Launch of the Old Cambrian Society Trust Fund

2005 Dover Weekend



L-R: Standing: Humphrey Skett, George Robinson, Graham Tooley
Seated: Emer Murphy, Alexander Drummond, Brenda Sherwin, Philip Sherwin, Margaret Drummond, Donald Balance, Ian Ballance

A tremendous weekend was had by the many Old Cambrians who made the effort to gather in Dover, Kent on Saturday 11th June and Sunday 12th June 2005.

On the Saturday, six Old Cambrians battled it out on the Stonelees Golf Club, with the eventual winner being Texas-based Martin Langley (Nicholson 1956-61) on a count-back from Ian Ballance (Grigg 1961-61) who came over for the weekend from Iraq. Many thanks to Rod Dimech (Nicholson 1959-62) who organised the golf.

In the evening there was an informal evening arranged at the *Light of India* restaurant in Dover, with 25 people attending.

On the Sunday, we met for drinks at 11.30am at Dover Town Hall. Then at 12.15pm we had a splendid carvery lunch in the wonderful and historic surroundings of the Stone Hall. 72 attended the lunch, and our guest of honour was Admiral The Lord Boyce, Warden of the Cinque Ports and Dover Castle.

Then at 2pm we walked just 100 yards down to Dover College, where we were entertained for the next three hours by the Dover Pageant. Master of the Pageant is Mike McFarnell (Nicholson 1960-1963) and he and his cast put on an excellent performance.

Why not go electronic?

To keep in touch with what is going on in the Old Cambrian Society, you need to go electronic !!

Very informative electronic Newsletters are sent out by e-mail every 2-3 months, so if you now have access to e-mail or the Internet, please let the Secretary know.

If you don't have e-mail yourself, then maybe you have a son, daughter, grandchild or friend who does and they might not mind passing messages and info on to you

Contact details - please !!

So that the Secretary can maintain an up-to-date list of e-mail and "snail-mail" addresses of all Old Cambrians, please e-mail him with your **name**, the **house** you were in, the **years** you attended the school, **current address** and preferred **e-mail** contact. For those without access to the Internet, please write to the Secretary (address below).

If your contact details change, please inform the Secretary.

Please visit and use the Web Site and go to the "Register Here" page—send an e-mail to Webmaster so that you can be placed in the Old Cambrians' Alumni. Send in your latest contact details, photos, stories so that "old" school pals can share them and possibly get back in touch with you after all these years.

If you don't have the Internet, post items to the Secretary.

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