

CAIUS OLD BOYS AND GIRLS ASSOCIATION



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Hi All

Another Christmas and New Year over and we start to rush headlong towards Spring with 'young men's thoughts turning to spring' as Seniors turning to the Reunion on Saturday 21st March 2015.

Well I hope they are? Also that you are ready to send me your cheques and applications for tickets. I already have four attending from USA and one from Denmark. They have booked their rooms at the Langford's Hotel. So don't delay. I hope you and your families had a peaceful Christmas and a happy new year.

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I have just heard that John Woods is very unwell in Hayward's Heath Hospital. Barry Howard is now permanently in a home. Max Kingsland is also suffering with poor health. We wish them all well. I recently spoke to Tony Powell who had a fall in his home and is now out of hospital and back in his own home.

Just a reminder that our web site is now ["caius.school.magix.net/"](http://caius.school.magix.net/)

SHOREHAM FERRY BRIDGE

Last summer my wife came home from an art exhibiton in Tadworth, Surrey with birthday present for me. It was a painting by one of our local astist of the New Shoreham Ferry Bridge. I had totally forgotten about the footbridge over the Adur. When I gaze at it memories come flooding back of walking from Caius to Shoreham beach, which was deserted after having been cleared for the Second World War defences. For us this bridge greatly shortened the distance. For those who live hundreds and thousand of miles away I thought these pictures may conjure up happy thoughts of their youth.



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St Julian's Church is an Anglican church in Kingston Buci in the English county of West Sussex. Kingston Buci was a Saxon-era village

near the English Channel coast between Southwick and Shoreham-by-Sea; little remains from that period, and modern residential development has obscured the old boundaries between the settlements, but the church retains its mostly 13th-century appearance and serves a parish which retains the ancient Kingston Buci name. English Heritage has listed it at Grade I for its architectural and historical importance.

Kingston, as it was originally called, was founded as an Anglo-Saxon settlement—possibly with Celtic influence. The manor was held by Ralph de Buci on behalf of William de Braose, 1st Lord of Bramber at the time of the Domesday survey in 1086, and a church was established by that time. Excavations carried out in the 1960s discovered that the foundations and the surviving nave walls were late Saxon, predating the Norman conquest by a few years.^[3]

The church was dedicated to Julian of Antioch during the 12th century. A century later, the building took its present form when the chancel and central tower were built, creating the simple three-cell (nave-tower-chancel) layout. A two-bay north aisle was added to the nave at the same time, and a porch was built on the south side. The advowson (a right of presentation to the benefice) of the church was held by the de Buci family throughout this period; it passed out of their control when the manor was conveyed to another family in 1356. Since 1826, when George Wyndham, 3rd Earl of Egremont acquired the advowson, the patrons of the church have been the Earl of Egremont and their successors, the Baronetcy of Leconfield. Max Wyndham, 2nd Baron Egremont is the current incumbent. One unusual and ancient feature of the church, which survived in a complete form until the 14th century, was an anchorite's cell. These rare features, associated with medieval churches, housed hermits who were pursuing a life

of asceticism: they would be walled up inside the cell for life, and a window into the chancel would connect them to the church. At St Julian's Church, the cell walls themselves were removed by the 14th century, but the window (a form of hagioscope) and a door remain in perfect condition, and the roofline can still be seen. The door would have been built over when the anchorite was in the cell. advowson in the 16th century, built an Easter Sepulchre at the north end of the chancel, containing the family tomb and memorials. Restoration in the 19th century renewed some of the windows—for which the Perpendicular style was retained except in the east wall, which was given a large lancet window—improved the north aisle and added a buttress to the outside of the nave

The Church today

St Julian's Church was listed at Grade I by English Heritage on 8 May 1950. Such buildings are defined as being of "exceptional interest" and greater than national importance. The organ was moved from its original home in Brighton Aquarium, and still bears a bronze plaque stating its former location. It has an electric blower, but the original hand pumping mechanism is still in place. The organist sits precariously high in the balcony, and the view over the organists shoulder is not for the faint hearted!

Many Boarders can remember hand pumping in the Sunday morning services. Just for devilment we would slow down the pumping action and the music slowed rapidly, much to the consternation of the organist. I recall the boxed pews where the girls had to sit to keep them away from the boys. I wonder how often St Julian's is used by Shoreham Grammar. I did hear that the C of E were trying to close this Church down. Being a grade 1, untouchable, building they have a problem. The last I heard was that they have reduced services.

I thought I would conjure up a bit of nostalgia in that I would re-publish these pictures to show the history of Kingston House which has only changed slightly over the years. Like us it has aged gently.



The south face of Ashcroft, in Kingston Lane, which later became a base for the Central Electricity Generating Board



The house in the 1930s, with cattle in the meadow



Kingston House in 1787 – a drawing by Samuel Grimm

Grimm



The local hunt pictured outside the house

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I have decided that it is time that I retired from leading the Association. We are getting thinner on the ground and it is now nearly 47 years since the school closed. Trying to conjure up more members and attenders is getting more difficult. A few say they are too old to travel to the reunion, particularly those who live many miles from Brighton and Shoreham. Please remember there can never be any more members from a closed school. It is also difficult to arrange a date and a venue to suit everybody and in conjunction with the school. It has been wonderful since 1995 when we resurrected the Association. Numbers at the reunions have been boosted by spouses and friends. It has given me so much pleasure to see and to be in touch with everyone especially those who have travelled from various parts of the world and the British Isles and attended the reunions. I have had immense pleasure over the years as Secretary of the Association, however, all good things do end.

I ask that you all consider attending this year which may well be the last one (unless we have a successor to me). Please send your ticket applications in as soon as possible so that I can make the necessary arrangements the hotel and restaurant. God bless you all, Malcolm Dunne.

REUNION
SATURDAY 21ST MARCH 2015

At the school from 2.30 then to a reception from 6.30pm at the Langford's Hotel, 8-16 Third Avenue, Hove, BN3 2PX.

Attendance is free and the meal optional

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Please send me _____ Tickets @ £25 each for the reunion on Saturday 21st^h March 2015

Name _____

ADDRESS _____

_____ Post Code _____

I enclose a cheque for £ _____ payable to **COBA**

Send to Malcolm Dunne 115 Fleetwood Close, Tadworth, Surrey KT20 5QL

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