# OI eNews

# October 2017



# **Past OI Club Events**

Sunday 24th September at 6.30pm saw the President's Event unfold in the School Chapel. With the support and backing of the excellent Chapel Choir, a Songs of Praise Service in which seven well-known and well-loved hymns were sung made for a very enjoyable hour. The hymns were introduced by Ol's spanning six decades, as well as the Schools current Head Boy and Head Girl. Refreshments afterwards in the Dining Hall were well received and many a tall story was told of how life was like in days gone by!

Report by John Graham, OI Club President 2017 (OI 1947-1954)





# **Forthcoming Events**

## Old Ipswichian Drinks in the City

# Thursday 2nd November 2017

The venue for November's Drinks in the City will be Balls Brothers, Bury Court. The address is 38 St Mary Axe, EC3A 8EX. Please see their website for more information: http://www.ballsbrothers.co.uk/bury-court/

We'll be there from 6pm with drinks and some nibbles provided early on in the evening.

Join us for the evening or just pop in for a quick drink. Everyone is welcome, it's a great way to spend your Thursday evening!

#### **Remembrance Service**

## Sunday 12th November 2017

Please join us for the annual Remembrance Service with the School and CCF on Sunday 12th November. The service starts at 6.30pm but we would suggest you arrive in good time as, based on the last few years, the chapel will be full. Parking is available in the School car park off Henley Road.

#### An Evening with Jules Hudson (OI 1981-1988)

## Thursday 23rd November 2017

Old Ipswichian Jules Hudson is a graduate of Archaeology and best known to millions as the leading face of the BBC's rural property flagship programme, Escape to the Country. His passion for the past has brought an enthusiastic and accessible approach to military history, notably in *Dig 1940*, *Dive World War Two* and *How We Won the War*; all for the BBC. His recent foray, *Defender of the Sky*, for the History channel H2, saw Jules explore Britain's aviation history, revealing the stories behind ten of the country's most famous and important airfields.

The evening will be taking place in Great School, and will commence at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start.

Tickets are £12 (including refreshments) with all proceeds going to support the NSPCC.

(Please make cheques payable to NSPCC Registered Charity): Please provide your contact details.

Tickets are available from the School Office.

For more information, please contact: shirley.ingham@ntlworld.com

# Friends of Ipswich School Winter Gathering Saturday 25th November 2017

Ticket reservation requests are now open for The Winter Gathering on Saturday 25th November 2017.

There will be live music, food and a bar in the unique setting of St. Peter's on the Quay. The live band will be the acclaimed English Country Gentleman (theenglishcountrygentleman.co.uk). Delicious bowl food and the bar will be provided by JLS catering. There will be cocktails and winter warmers available.

Tickets are £25 per head. The event is open to all parents, special friends, staff and Old Ipswichians. There will be limited availability for this event so do not delay in registering for tickets.

To book tickets please email Vicki using the FOIS email address: friends@ipswich.school

## OI Rugby 7s

#### Saturday 16th December 2017

This year's OI Rugby 7s Tournament will be taking place on Saturday 16th December. As in the past, players will meet at 11:00am at Notcutts Pavilion to be allocated to teams if they are not already in one and for the competition draw. The tournament starts at noon. If you would like to play or would like more information, please contact Richard Welbourne on <a href="mailto:rgw@ipswich.school">rgw@ipswich.school</a>

# OI AGM & Ipswich Dinner

## Saturday 16th December 2017

This year's annual AGM and Dinner will be taking place on Saturday 16th December in Little School and Great School. Partners are very welcome to this lively and fun evening enjoyed

by OIs of all ages. The AGM will start at 6.30pm in the Little School, and the Dinner from 7pm in the Great School.

Ticket Prices:

£30 per person for Life Members, partners £35

£15 for recent leaver Life Members and their partners (2012 - 2017 leavers) or for any OI in full time education

£35 for Associate Members and their partners

Full details for these two events have now been sent out to you by email, there is also a booking form available on the OI website. Places are filling up quickly, so please do book without delay!

https://www.ipswich.school/old-ipswichians/events.aspx

#### "First Five Years Out" Reunion

#### Thursday 21st December 2017

This annual event is having a shake up this year, with a change of venue! This year we will be meeting at Arcade Tavern! It is open to all OIs who have left School in the last five years (2012 – 2017 leavers).

Drinks will be available from 6.30pm at the Arcade Tavern, (I Arcade Street, Ipswich, IPI IEX) with a free bar for a limited time. Details will also be on the OI Facebook page and we look forward to welcoming many of you. Please let us know through oievents@ipswich.school if you plan to come along, so we can make sure there are enough drinks available.

#### **SAVE THE DATE!**

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2018 will be the date for the 1988 Leavers Reunion to celebrate 30 years since leaving Ipswich School.

There will be more information to follow but for now please pop this date in your diary!

# **School News**

#### New films launched showcasing Ipswich School

A series of new films highlighting life at Ipswich School have been launched and are now available to view on the School's website. Produced by Suffolk Films, these showcase both the Prep and Senior Schools alongside sport, boarding, the School's Snape Concert, and the annual visit to Wales for Year 12s which forms part of their Life Skills course. If you've not had an opportunity to visit the School recently these videos are a wonderful way to catch a glimpse of school life as it is today, and to see the range of opportunities that Ipswich School continues to offer pupils. You can find the videos at <a href="https://www.ipswich.school">www.ipswich.school</a>

#### **Online Museum and Archives**

The site has been live for some time and is now also accessible from the main school website, via the OI pages. An initial generous grant has allowed the creation of what we hope will be a growing online presence, to be added to as resources permit. We hope you enjoy visiting the site and please do send your feedback and thoughts, details on the site at <a href="https://www.ipswichschoolmuseumandarchives.co.uk">www.ipswichschoolmuseumandarchives.co.uk</a>

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