



# The Stag

## A Note From The Headmaster

Welcome to the latest edition of 'The Stag'; we hope that you enjoy keeping in touch with everything that has been going on at Moor Park. No school should ever stand still and we have been busy improving various aspects over the last year whilst keeping what is the essence of Moor Park firmly in place.

Encouraging the right thinking skills (the Moor Park Mindsets) in children is now a deliberate and planned process thanks to a full review of our curriculum and teaching. Drama enters the timetable as a taught subject for the first time and both teachers and children are enjoying the new Performing Arts Centre which opened in September. This facility has meant that the scheme of work for music has needed to be re-written with the music technology and recording studio in mind; an excellent indication of a facility that is making a positive difference to the experience of the children. Saturday morning lessons for

Years 3 to 5 have been replaced by an optional activities programme: most of the children still sign up for so called 'Saturday Smash' but who wouldn't when den building, kayaking, kite making, musical theatre and cookery (to name but a few) are all on offer!

In the last three years (and we haven't finished this year at the time of writing), 81 children from Moor Park have won a total of 67 scholarships and awards to senior schools. This is an enviable record and speaks volumes about our ability to get the best out of the children in our care. Plenty of schools claim to find something for every child but surely few can demonstrate it to the same extent as we can.

Fundamentally though, Moor Park continues to be a place where huge amounts of fun are to be had, where a family atmosphere of mutual support means that children can grow up happy and confident and where Mr Henderson and Mr Watt's vision is still realised.

One of the more enjoyable evenings in the calendar is always the MPS drinks held in the East India Club in London and the swapping of Moor Park stories is always a joy. We were honoured, once again, to have Derek Henderson join us this year and I think we all enjoyed a very special evening in each other's company. I always enjoy meeting MPS members from any era and, please, if you are ever in the area I would be very happy to meet and show you around if the diary allows. The MPS day at Moor Park on 6th July is a great opportunity to meet up so do contact Kathryn Evans ([mpps@moorpark.org.uk](mailto:mpps@moorpark.org.uk)) if you are planning to be there.

I wish you all a happy and successful year and hope that you will keep in touch with the school and with each other.

**Charlie Minogue**  
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## Derek Henderson 1926 - 2019

One of Moor Park's Founding Headmasters.

As this edition went to press we received the sad news that Derek Henderson, one of our two founding Headmasters, has passed away. He was 93.

A separate letter has been sent to all MPS members but such important news must be marked in The Stag and I know that all members will be keeping Derek and his family in their thoughts.

It is difficult to measure the effect of a schoolmaster on the lives of people they touch, the knock-on effects are just too many; however, the effect can certainly be multiplied when the man in question is responsible for starting a school, creating the conditions through which a culture develops that will shape the lives of thousands.

Alongside his great friend, Hugh Watts, Derek Henderson will be remembered fondly by all who knew him but even those who didn't will recognise the man he was through the experiences they had at Moor Park: kindness, fun and family were all important to him and remain part of the culture of the school today.

We will be in touch with any plans that are made to celebrate Derek's life and contribution to Moor Park but it would be wonderful to see as many of you as possible on MPS day this year on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Do keep in touch.

## Charlie Minogue

### Moor Park Society Day June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Once again, the sun shone brightly for the Moor Park Society Day at school. Sadly, the numbers attending did not match this, which meant the Rounders did not take place, and the Old Boys cricket had to include former pupils of other local prep schools to make up the numbers. However, it was still a really lovely day and everyone who attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It was a close-run contest with James Duffield's Old Boys team batting first posting a score of 129. However sadly the Headmaster's XI were too good, ending up winning by 3 wickets. We really hope to tempt more people this year.



Giles, Kipp & Ned  
Norbury



James Duffield, Jeremy  
Acton

## MPS Day Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2019

This is always a tremendous event and a lovely to come back and visit the school with friends and family and catch up with some old schoolmates and have a nose around the site. Again, this year, the Headmasters XI will be taking on the MPS XI and the Moor Park Diamonds will play the Old Girls at rounders. We always need players for these teams, no matter what your standard! There will be a legendary Moor Park match tea at 4pm and a BBQ after.

For the cricket please contact me [jhd@moorpark.org.uk](mailto:jhd@moorpark.org.uk).

For the rounders Sally Phillips (Norman) [sjp@moorpark.org.uk](mailto:sjp@moorpark.org.uk)

If you would just like to attend without playing, please can you let us know for catering purposes – [mps@moorpark.org.uk](mailto:mps@moorpark.org.uk)

Recently some old girls and boys have visited to talk about their work or recent endeavours. Do please drop me a line if you feel you could do this for us. It is so important for the pupils to be exposed to talks such as this in order to inspire them as they move on to their senior schools.

I very much look forward to hearing from you soon. If you are in Shropshire do drop in and see us. It is still very much the same - the memories will come flooding back!

**James Duffield**



## London Drinks 2019

The annual MPS London drinks was again held at the East India Club in St James Square in February. We were absolutely thrilled that Derek Henderson was able to make it this year although sadly, it is possible this will be his final attendance – It's quite an effort when you are 93! It was a fantastic evening, and every year, more and more people attend. Thank you to everyone who made the effort to come along – please do try and convince some of your former classmates to join you next year.

## Registrar's report

A great turn out at the MPS drinks again this year. Thank you as ever to Kathryn for all she does to rally the troops and get us all there. This year saw an even greater cross section of the MPS from a few of the original 1964 boys to those more recent leavers who are barely old enough to drink legally! As ever we all share a great fondness for Moor Park, what it has done for us as individuals and also as a group of like-minded souls. The highlight was of course to see DH there again. It is a considerable effort to get up those stairs, but you all mean a great deal to him and I get the sense that he is so very proud of the various achievements and milestones you chat to him about. Undoubtedly, he and Moor Park set you off on a journey that in part made these possible.

As ever, the more people we are in contact with the more effective the MPS is. Do please encourage anyone you know who is not on our mailing list to either email [mps@moorpark.org.uk](mailto:mps@moorpark.org.uk) or join the Moor Park Alumni Facebook group. You can also follow the school on its twitter feed.

James Duffield



Seb Kidson & Johnny Wood



James Duffield, Rafe Yeung



James Blake, Mark Breen, Mark Lumley,



Julian Rogers-Coltman, Derek Henderson & Stephen Henderson



Stephen Weare, Tim Goble & David Caillard



Derek Henderson



Charlie Minogue, Jamie



David de Freitas, Derek



David de Freitas, Edwardo Tomacelli



David Caillard, George Katzaros, Finn Fitzpatrick



Finn Fitzpatrick, Tim Hayes & Lydia Unwin.

# Alumni News

**1967**

**Richard Breen**

One of the Founders and present Chairman of the Renew Party, the new centrist party formed to fight Brexit, reform politics and reboot Britain. I have aged 20 years...

**Antony Tyndale**

Still busy officiating at Athletics – I had my first international selection when field officiating at the World Cup last summer at the Olympic Stadium. Otherwise I'm playing lots of golf and kept busy in the garden and at home. I sing with the Haileybury Choir and do lots of travelling with my wonderful wife, Penny!

**1973**

**Andrew Caillard**

Andrew (or Caillard 2) has lived in Australia since 1982 and works as the fine wine principal with Australia's largest drinks group. He is a long-standing Master of Wine and wine writer. In 2018 two books were published *Marques de Riscal - A Travel Through Time* (Penguin Random House) and *Langton's Classification of Australian Wine - Edition VII* (Hardie Grant). He is also an associate producer of a new documentary feature film with the working title of *Blind Ambition* - which follows the unfolding true story about four Zimbabwean refugees who form a team and compete in the World Blind Wine Tasting Championship in France. Andrew has been married to his wife Bobby for over 31 years and they have three sons - all educated in Australia - and now working in Shanghai, London and Sydney.

Some people will remember there were four brothers who attended Moor Park together. Richard (Caillard 1), David (Caillard 3) and John (Caillard 4) are now living and working in Germany, London and Sydney respectively. Our parents - still going strong - Air Vice Marshal

Anthony and Margaret Ann Caillard are also living in Sydney

**1975**

**Finnian Fitzpatrick**

Michael Fitzalan, his alter ego has had a busy year, publishing *The Clapham Common Caper*, (Murder in Cedars Road, in America), *Whitsand Bay* set in Cornwall and producing an abridged version of *The True Gunpowder and Plot*, entitled *Gunpowder Guy*. ADBEC has been edited and retitled *Harry*. Israel is proving an interesting new market and sales in Hong Kong are strong.

**1978**

**Marcus Jackson**

Marcus Jackson's home in New Zealand.



I'm still residing in New Zealand, into my 12th year now and living the dream... Now a Kiwi citizen.

Just been appointed Account Director at Stuff (New Zealand's largest news website - [www.stuff.co.nz](http://www.stuff.co.nz)). I have been working there since November 2008. Moved into my new home in October 2018.

**1980**

**Richard Nicolson**

Having left corporate life and undertaking a complete career change in the last decade I am now again a professional sailor. I managed a pan-European team (7 nationalities) taking them to Sydney, Australia to participate in their first Sydney to Hobart Ocean race. Viewed as the biggest ocean race in

the southern hemisphere, starting on Boxing day with a spectator audience of 250,000 people the team was the first European finishers, finishing first in class and 4th after the corrected (handicap) system was applied.

**1983**

**Tim Hayes**



Tim Hayes with Sunil Gavaskar and Michael Holding

As of May 2019, Tim will complete 30 years at the MCC at Lord's (the 11th-longest serving member of the full-time Staff at present) and he will also be operating the manual scoreboard during the Australia v New Zealand World Cup Match, day 4 of both Test matches against Ireland and Australia and the T20 match between Middlesex and Hampshire.

**1994**

**Sophie Wooton Borruso**

I have never done this before, but I wanted to send you some news of what I am up to though not terribly exciting! I went to Moor Park with my brother Jamie and sister Alex and we all absolutely loved it. In fact, Miche and Si Howell were on my top table at my wedding.

I have an almost 1 year old girl called Chiara and a 2.5 year old boy called George and we live in Sevenoaks Kent with my dear husband Alessandro. I am an artist specialising in pencil portraits of animals, children, churches and homes and painted silhouettes of children, adults, pets and even motorbikes!

2005

**Alex Pizzoni**

Has started working at Tearfund, as a Finance Officer. Based in Teddington.

Franki Quantrell (nee Cummins)



Frankie's (nee Cummins) wedding to Tom Quantrell. Jonathan Cummins is 2nd from right with his wife Emily.

I married Tom Quantrell in the South-West of France on 21st July last summer. We both currently work as Maths teachers at Moreton Hall School where I have worked for the past 7 years, including several years as a houseparent.

My brother, **Jonathan Cummins**, an old boy of the school, also got married last year. He married Emily Milam from Florida in a beautiful ceremony in Vermont, USA, that was attended by friends from Moor Park and even one of his old teachers! They both live and work in New York where Jonny works as a financial consultant and Emily is a doctor.

**Harry Lywood, George Poyner**

Please click on the link below to read an article about Harry and George in the Metro about First Time buyers in London.

<https://www.metro.news/first-time-buyer-we-beat-the-odds-to-buy-aged-20/1250224/>

2007

**Sebastian Kidson**

Sebastian works for Jane's, in Coulsdon, training their customers worldwide.

2009

**Isabella Bulmer**

Isabella is in her fourth year at Edinburgh studying Chemistry.

2010

**Hughie Rogers-Coltman**

Hughie is doing his finals in English Literature at UCL this summer. He has had an offer from Oxford to do a Masters in September.

2011

**Evie Bulmer**

Evie is in her second year at the Courtauld Institute in London studying History of Art

Elspeth Denison

Just coming up to the end of her second year at Manchester University studying for a degree in Social Anthropology.

2012

**Io Kidson**

Io is coming to the end of her second year, studying French and Spanish, at Edinburgh University and will spend the next 12 months working abroad.

**Tom Rogers-Coltman**

Tom did a Foundation Course at Leeds last year and is now studying Sound Design at the London College of Communications. He is in his first year of a three year BA degree course.

2013

**Kitty Bulmer**

Kitty is in her first year at Leeds University studying Civil Engineering

2014

**Isabella Evans**

Bella is in her final year at Downe House studying for A'levels in Maths, Physics and Economics. She is planning to take a gap year, when she is hoping to do a ski season followed by travelling. She then has an offer of a place to read Economics at Bristol University.

**Reuben Denison**

In his final year at Shrewsbury School. He is hoping to start a degree course in Medicine this autumn.

**William Rogers-Coltman**

Will is doing A'levels this summer and will leave Radley College. He is hoping to go to Trinity College Dublin or Manchester University to read English Literature.

**Oliver Tudge**

Ollie is currently studying for A Levels in English, Classics and Business at Hereford Cathedral, after which he is planning a gap year travelling and working before studying Events Management at Plymouth.

2016

**Paddy Breeze**

Paddy vice-captained the Colts A rugby team at Harrow last season. He has also been promoted from rifleman to full corporal in the Harrow Rifle Corps and was the lone piper on Armistice Day last year. He continues to win half of the speech day prizes every year.

**Poppy Breeze**

Poppy is loving Wycombe Abbey. Part of the team that won the National Schools Lacrosse championship at Aldershot in February which was fun for her.