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Old Camdenian News

May 2019

It is sad to have to advise of two obituaries being Commander William Hucklesby and Tom Jacobs.

The funeral for Tom will be on May 24 at 4pm. Alan Meyer will be there and he or Lesley Meyer should be contacted for details if anyone wishes to attend.

A full tribute to Tom will be included in the next newsletter.

William Hucklesby

I have copied and pasted the initial parts of an Obituary that was given in the Times which is similar to others like the Telegraph and Belfast Telegraph. Links to two of these are given below and the third is provided in the OC web site.

Obituary

"Commander William Hucklesby obituary

Commander of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch known as 'Posh Bill', who was in charge of the 1984 Brighton bombing case



On a brilliant July day in 1982, William Hucklesby stood on South Carriage Drive in Hyde Park facing the bloody horror of his first big IRA bombing since taking command of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch.

A troop of Blues and Royals had been blasted by a car bomb, which killed four soldiers and seven horses. As Hucklesby directed operations amid the carnage he heard what sounded like thunder rolling across London. The IRA had struck again, killing seven members of the Royal Green Jackets band playing in Regent's Park, sending Hucklesby racing to a new scene of devastation.

Recalling that day, Hucklesby said that it had been "truly horrific and difficult . . . but we just got on dealing with the horror of it". This was typical..."

https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/commander-william-hucklesby-obituary-ddcx68kss

https://www.telegraph.co.uk/obituaries/2019/03/18/commander-william-hucklesby-head-scotland-yards-anti-terrorist/

Cricket World Cup

The name change to Beacon High is fast approaching. We will be represented at the opening assembly together with a cheque to assist with the costs associated with the performance of the school choir at Lords for the Cricket World Cup Final.

(In answer to your thoughts, tickets for Final are not part of the deal)

Old Camdenian cricket.

Whilst we are on the subject of cricket, we record the fact that a new site screen for the Old Camdenian team has been secured by way of a donation by the OC's.

The sides play at Burton Hole Lane and John Maskell is the chap to contact if anyone wishes to join them.

Old Camdenians Cricket Tours

As a separate attachment I have added a short report on the wonderful tours undertaken by the cricket section back in the 1980's. It is a remarkable example of the manner in which the ex-scholars maintain their connections right through to today.

Do have a look at some pictures of the teams and the brief details of the tour.

The Bill and Nora Wraight Old Camdenians Memorial Fund

This is merely a short note to confirm that discussions are ongoing regarding the establishment of this fund with some details still needing to be finalised. Members are invited to propose ideas for how best to use these monies.

Annual reunion Lunch Friday October 25.

Place it in your diary now with full details to be made available shortly.

The 50/50 Club

George Ives has provided the following details.

We now have 48 members.

Prizes range from £200 to £30 and for the last year some £1010 was paid out.

The club is a valuable and much appreciated source of regular funds to the OC's and thus to the school. It is hoped to once more support the school in a meaningful way perhaps via the DoE Award scheme and student grants.

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