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Easter Saturday 26 March 10:30am kick-off
Followed by refreshments

Smickett v Schinter Mixed Hockey and Rugby matches
Easter Saturday 26 March 3pm
Followed by a barbecue and refreshments
Please let Steve Floyd know if you'd like to play
by emailing tsfpa@truroschoo.com

FP News

**Dan Regan (CO2) - a Lightfoot®
on the pedal**

Exeter to become hub for green and safe driving trial

Motorists wanted!

Drivers in Exeter are being invited to take part in a ground-breaking pilot programme that could help make driving in the city, the South West and, eventually, the globe cheaper, greener and safer.

Using pioneering technology designed and developed by Exeter-based



Lightfoot®, the trial will help to establish if the system, which is already proven to cut fuel consumption by 15% and accidents by up to 60% in the commercial fleet sector, has the potential to do the same among the general public.

The pilot programme, which requires a minimum of 100 drivers, is being run in partnership with Exeter City Council and Exeter City Futures, a community interest company which aims to implement projects that will enhance Exeter, make it more vibrant, easier to get around, cheaper to live in and healthier than it is today.

Commenting on the initiative, Mark Roberts, managing director of Lightfoot®, said: "Drivers participating in the free scheme have the opportunity to help prove a technology that could have positive implications for the way people drive across the globe."



Dan is a Senior Engineer & Project Manager at Ashwoods Automotive in Exeter

Dan graduated from a Master's Degree in Electronic Engineering at Exeter University in 2006. After spending 3 years as a Graduate Engineering Consultant, and a further 3 years designing and commissioning Rolls Royce gas turbines in worldwide power generation applications, Dan moved in 2012 to award-winning clean-tech engineering provider Ashwoods Automotive. A dynamic and visionary UK-based design and engineering company, founded in 2009 and based in Exeter, their mission is to make vehicles around the world cleaner, greener and more efficient.

Dan says 'Ashwoods has been a leader in green vehicle innovation for years. We're now generating technology that's disrupting markets around the globe, and embarking on development projects with some of the big players in our industry. The Ashwoods team is also growing in size on a monthly basis; it's a very exciting time for us. The Exeter Lightfoot® Pilot is our way of introducing some of our latest technology to the private motorist in the UK, giving our home city the chance to try it first and give us valuable feedback.'

“Over several weeks of the trial, which starts in late January/early February, we hope to see significant fuel savings and that will mean reduced CO2 emissions too. As well as saving pounds in the pockets of local drivers, participants will also stand the chance of winning prizes by competing against each other as they become more efficient and drive in a more environmentally friendly way. We see this as a real win-win situation for both the individual and the city, which will bring a range of other longer term benefits including significantly lower insurance premiums for Lightfoot®’s customers.”

Lightfoot® improves driver behaviour using subtle, audible feedback and a traffic light system to indicate how efficiently a vehicle is being driven. The process effectively gives the engine a voice to help the driver find its sweet spot and save fuel by changing their acceleration habits. It also connects the vehicle to the internet so that drivers can check on their performance and participate in interactive reward-based leagues. Through gamification, these leagues enable Lightfoot® to build communities of drivers, such as groups of friends, family members or work colleagues, who can compete to win prizes and to find out who’s the best driver.

Mark Roberts, Managing Director of Lightfoot®, added: “Lightfoot® has been a great success to date as it gives people a nudge while they are driving to encourage them to change what they are doing. Importantly, it does this in a supportive way and leaves the driver totally in control.

“UK fleets using our technology have seen really substantial benefits in terms of fuel economy and a dramatic reduction in accident rates. We now want to see what impact Lightfoot® might be able to achieve in the consumer market.

“This trial is the first step, and if the outcome is good the implications could be substantial for

Lightfoot® and for motorists around the world. Most of us are really excited about the big technologies that are hopefully going to make the planet more sustainable in the future; the beauty of Lightfoot® is that it’s a tiny device that can go into most existing cars now and make a dramatic reduction in fuel consumption immediately.

“If we could replicate anything like the 15 per cent average fuel saving that we’ve seen in the fleet market across vehicles in the Exeter trial, it would demonstrate the clear impact that Lightfoot® could have on a global scale.”

Glen Woodcock, CEO of Exeter City Futures, added “We are very excited about this Lightfoot® trial, the first of many projects Exeter City Futures are promoting which will put data at the heart of improving city life in areas such as transport, mobility and energy use. We see this approach as incredibly important in building a sustainable future for our city and celebrating the forward-thinking businesses based here in Exeter.”

All cars involved in the initiative will be monitored before and after the interactive stage of the trial, enabling Lightfoot® to see improvements in fuel efficiency once its driver improvement technology is switched on.

By the end of the Exeter Pilot, Lightfoot® will be able to analyse all data to assess how much fuel has been saved and to what degree emissions have been lowered in and around the city. This will provide a body of evidence that, if positive, will be used to take the trial to a larger scale and national launch enabling Lightfoot® to prove itself as a leading consumer product in the automotive sector.

Car owners who driver regularly in and around Exeter and who would like to apply to participate in the Exeter Pilot can find out more at www.lightfoot.co.uk/exeter-pilot

Thank you to Ashwoods Automotive for this article. If you would like to share your company’s success with us, please let us know.

Truro School Charity Concerts

Each year Truro School pupils host two School Charity Concerts in the spring term. The Junior Concert (1st to 5th Year) and Senior Concert (Sixth Form), showcases an eclectic range of music, from classical to the rock and pop sounds of today. For the last 10 years students have high-jacked the Burrell Theatre annually to perform an evening's entertainment wholly of their own making. With thanks to Former Pupil Swen Kearey (CO02), an array of production lighting, staging and sound technology, ensure the production is always sleek and exciting.

This year is set to be no different, except for one thing: Simon Latache, long standing Truro School music teacher, wishes Former Pupils to take part. He would love you to help inspire the next generation of musicians, by sending them a short good luck video.

Simon suggests saying your name, when you played in the Charity Concert last, where you are playing now, with the name of the band if applicable, and maybe 25 seconds of you actually playing, as well as of course wishing those playing in the Charity Concert good luck.

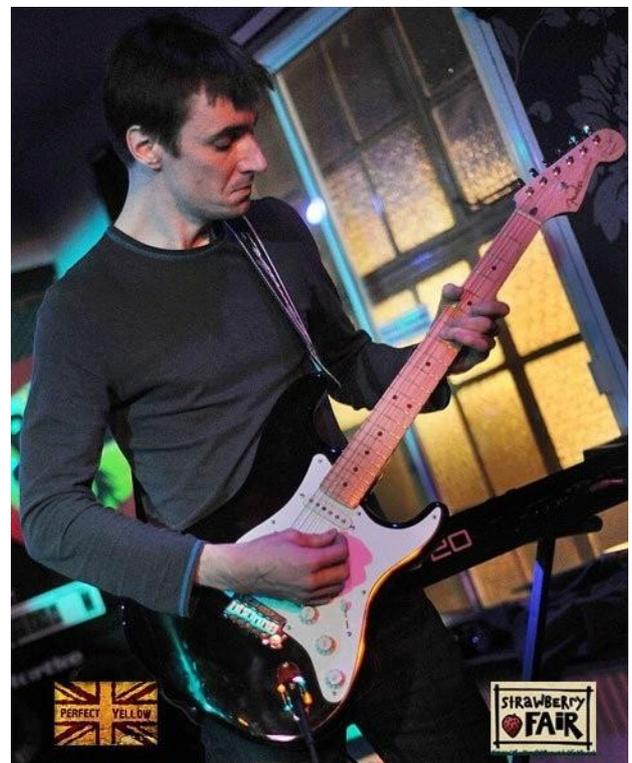
If you would like to take part, please email your clip to tsfpa@truroschool.com

Dunecan Massey (CO94) – now a consultant at Addenbrooke's Hospital

Many congratulations to Dunecan who has just been appointed as a consultant in small bowel and multi-visceral transplantation at Addenbrooke's. He is also acting Director of Studies for first year medicine at Caius College, Cambridge. We wish him all the success in his new role.

Writing to the TSFPA he says,

'My peers will remember I was mad on all things guitar and blues; my nickname by the Sixth form was "Eric" - it should come as no surprise that I finally got hold of a Clapton signature series guitar that I am playing in this picture, taken at a local band competition (we came second).'



New Year's Honours – Dr Martin Pearce OBE (CO85)

The Queen has awarded an OBE to Ministry of Defence (MOD) scientist Dr Martin Pearce (CO85) in the New Year Honours list 2016.

Martin, who works at the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (Dstl) at Porton Down, has been recognised for his support to troops on the front line.

Based in west Hampshire, Martin has worked within the MOD for more than twenty years, deploying overseas six times, to both Iraq and Afghanistan. His work has included force protection and biological, chemical and toxin analytical capability.

Speaking of the award, Martin said:

'It was an honour and a surprise to hear of my award. The success of Dstl support to operations never has been, and never can be, due to the efforts of a single person. I firmly believe that this award is a reflection of the hard work over the years of many people, including those providing scientific expertise from the UK, coordinating deployment of staff into theatres of operation, and providing personal support to me when overseas.'

Stay or Leave – The recent situation from Prof John Curtice (CO72)

In the week when the preliminary findings of the General Election Opinion Poll Enquiry were published, Britain's most respected pollster, Professor John Curtice (CO72), said the 'Out' campaign should be 'very worried' as the pro-Europeans have the upper hand.



Professor Curtice, of the politics department at Strathclyde University, was the only pollster who correctly forecast the Tories' 2015

Election victory. Now he claims the 'Out' camp face an uphill battle in the EU referendum campaign.

'Most polls put the Leave side behind - and some quite a long way behind. Nor has there been any consistent sign that the gap is narrowing,' he said.

Congratulations to Talan Skeels-Piggins (CO89) World Champion motorbike racer

2015 was a very successful year for Talan. In June 2015 he took part in the Bridgestone World Cup for Disabled motorcycle racers in Italy, winning to become the World Champion 600cc in the Paralysed racer category. He is now the first paraplegic in motorsport history to hold both Car and Motorcycle race licences. A huge inspiration to us all, we wish him the very best of luck this coming season.

In 2016 Talan will be racing in the Porsche Club Championship (car) and MRO600 Championship (motorcycle). We wish him the very best of luck and look forward to hearing more.



Class of '73 Cycling Tour

Steve Webb (CO73), Paul Warren (CO73) and Martin Hollands (CO73) are embarking on a cycling tour in September to celebrate having started at Truro School 50 years ago, to the day. (See calendar on the next page)

Steve Webb writes:

Start Date:
Battle of Britain Day, Thursday 15th Sept

Start Point: Exmouth / River Exe Area

Route Details, Exmouth - Truro:
Hugging the coast with ferry crossings at Dartford, Salcombe, Plymouth, Fowey, King Harry. Also to avoid main roads wherever possible. Overnight stop locations still to be finalised.

Duration:
Three or four days - depends on route, participants requirements and number of hills

Miles per Day:
I'm recommending a maximum of 50 due to the hills, but Paul thinks he can do more. Paul also insists on a solid two hours cycling in the mornings before any pub stops.

Guest Riders:
All welcome to join us for the whole ride, a day's ride, a couple of hours or even just to borrow a bike & tour the pub car park. Partners also more than welcome - my wife loves a good chat.

Training Required:
Route is very hilly and therefore not particularly easy. Would suggest an ability to cycle for 3 - 4 hours nonstop if contemplating cycling the whole distance in order to be able to enjoy the ongoing festivities - Paul and I were once partly responsible for a Paphos Taverna running out of beer at the end of a 200 mile Tour.

Support:

My wife and her business partner will be riding their motorbikes. There will also be a broom vehicle to carry luggage and support weary legs and heads.

Cheats:

Anyone with a BMI of less than 26 will be deemed a cheat.

Additional Points:

Paul was the Truro School shot put champion. He's started pumping iron to counter old age muscle loss and ensure he can handle the pints more easily.

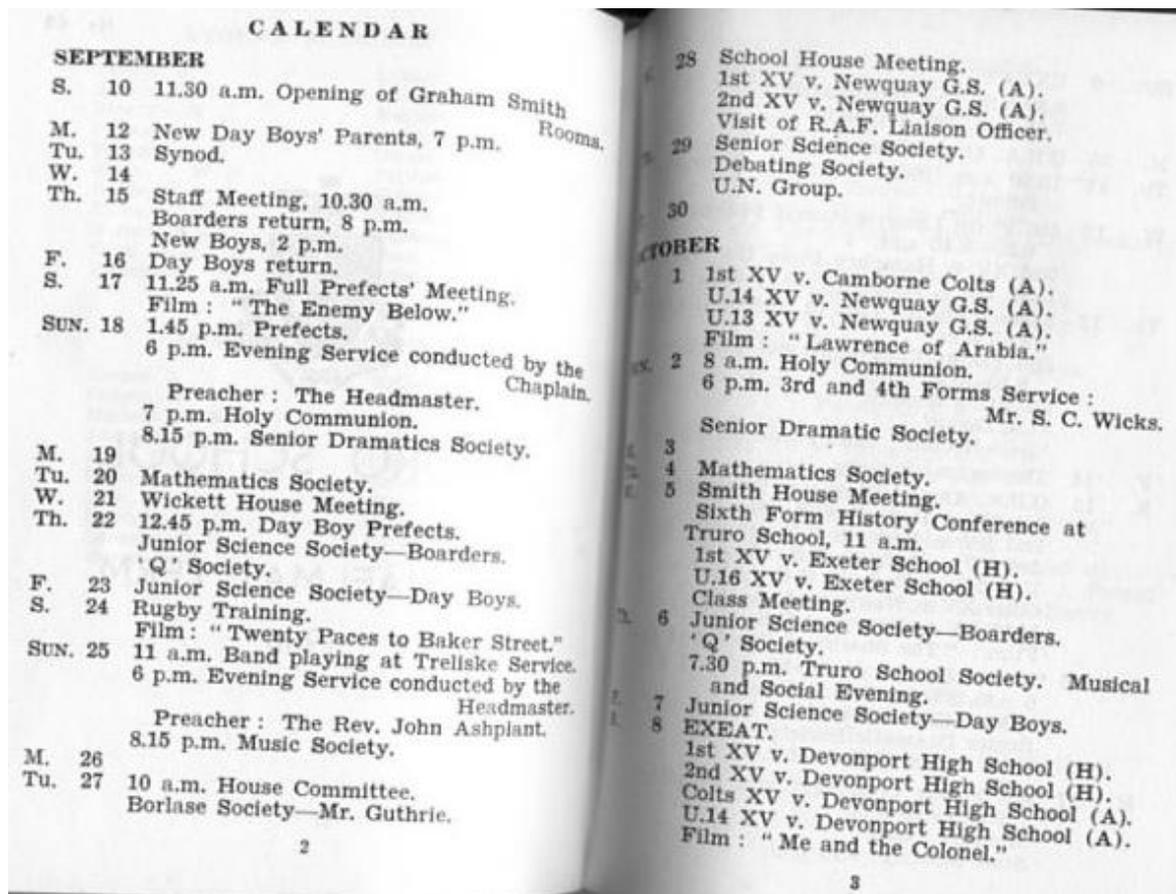
I might be parking my sailing boat at one of the overnight stops. Am taking a three month training sabbatical, April - June to prepare for the Round Island Sailing Race. Always on the lookout for good crew.

Regards, Steve Webb: 1966 -1973

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First year
class list
from Sept
1966

1 S (31)		
MR. R. G. W. WHITE. Room 15		
Pol	Piper, R. J.	Sm.
*	Pressley, R. K.	V.
Pen	Rajadurai, E. A.	W.
*	Richards, J. R. L.	W.
*	Roberts, B. A.	V.
*	Robertson, A. K.	V.
*	Shaddick, N. R.	Sm.
*	Simmonds, S. R. T.	Sm.
*	Sones, S. J.	Sc.
Pen	Stapleton, C. L.	Sm.
Pen	Stevens, R. J.	Sm.
*	Stilliard, A. C.	Sc.
*	Stobart, J. G.	Sm.
*	Stubbs, M.	Sm.
*	Thomas, N. J.	Sm.
*	Tinney, A. J.	W.
Pol	Trenchard, L.	W.
Pol	Trennery, P. N.	V.
*	Trist, D. W.	Sm.
Pol	Upex, V.	W.
*	Uren, P. M.	V.
Pen	Wagener, D. C. R.	Sc.
Pen	Warren, P. A. R.	W.
Pen	Webb, S. K.	Sc.
*	White, R. J.	V.
*	Wiles, D. P.	W.
*	Williams, R. G.	Sm.
Pol	Wilson, J. F.	Sm.
*	Winpenny, C. M.	Sm.
*	Wright, N.	V.
*	Youell, S. E.	Sm.



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Calendar from
September 1966

1 A (29)

MR. J. L. WHITE. Room 35

* Ainsworth, J. M.	Sc.
Pol Barlow, C. J.	Sm.
* Bennett, A. R.	V.
* Berryman, W. P.	V.
Pol Besant, N. J.	V.
* Biscoe, J. A.	V.
* Blakey, J.	W.
* Bowhay, A. R.	V.
Pen Burns, W. D. G.	Sc.
* Buzza, M. D.	Sc.
Pen Clutterbuck, E. J.	Sm.
* Coleman, J. B.	Sc.
* Collinge, M. G.	Sc.
Pol Cooper, I. F. M.	V.
Pol Cooper, J. M.	V.
Pol Cooper, M. A. C. S.	V.
Pol Cunningham, A.	V.
* Dash, G. N.	V.
* Dennis, C. P.	W.
* Drew, P.	Sc.
* Durham, N. A. K.	W.
Pen Fennell, M. J.	Sm.
* Gardner, P. M.	Sc.
* Gegg, S. N.	Sc.
* Gerry, T.	W.
* Gilbert, G. W.	V.
Pen Gregory, M.	Sm.
Pen Groves, T. A.	Sc.
* Griffiths, D. A.	Sc.

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September
1966
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1 H (31)

MR. R. A. DUNBAR. Room 22

* Gunn, L. P.	Sm.
* Gunn, K. J.	Sm.
* Harris, S. W.	Sm.
* Harvey, J. M.	V.
* Hawken, M. H.	V.
* Haywood, N. R.	Sc.
Pen Hicks, S. M.	V.
* Hollands, J. M.	V.
* Hore, G. M. J.	V.
* Hutchings, M.	Sc.
* James, N. J. A.	Sm.
* Jenkin, C. J.	V.
Pen Kerrison, P. J.	V.
* Knights, A. P.	Sm.
Pen Lane, M. A.	Sc.
Pol Leedale, H. G.	V.
Pen Lethbridge, P. B.	V.
Pen Lidiard, I. StJ.	Sm.
Pen Lucas, G. M.	Sc.
Pen Merry, C. O.	W.
* Mewton, P. G.	W.
* Newton, K. W.	Sm.
Pen Northcott, A. P.	W.
* Orchard, P. A.	Sc.
* Palmer, R. E. R.	Sm.
Pol Pascoe, D. W. T.	V.
Pol Pearce, A. D.	Sc.
Pen Perks, A. K.	W.
Pen Perks, D. J.	W.
Pol Pettey, C.	Sm.
* Phillips, J.	V.

Contact our
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Archive
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Future Events

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Above and below: Players from 2015 matches

