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Truro School Former Pupils' Association July 2016 Newsletter

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FORMER PUPIL NEWS

CO91 Former Pupils Reunion 25 years since leaving Truro School

A group of 20 Truro School Former Pupils from across the world met in Truro to celebrate 25 years since leaving school.

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Talan Skeels-Piggins (CO89) & Ross Thomas (CO91) Made to be Broken Campaign

Made to be Broken is the story of Talan Skeels-Piggins and his attempt, against all odds, to be the fastest man on 2 wheels. Talan is supported by former pupil Ross Thomas (CO90) and his team.



Made to be Broken is a project led by **Ross Thomas (CO90)**, a cameraman with a long CV in television production for BBC, ITV, Channel 4, Channel 5 and Sky among others. Ross was a school friend of Talan, reacquainted unexpectedly while filming a show for MotoGP where he learned of his accident and then heard of his record-breaking ambitions. He decided to gather a collective of friends who work in TV and digital media to help Talan realise his dream.

Read about Talan's latest challenge: an attempt to beat the UK disabled land speed record, and how you can help the team achieve their goal.

Website: <http://madetobebroken.org>

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

10 September 2016 TSFPA Annual Reunion Dinner

We have almost reached the magic number of 100 registered to attend the reunion dinner in September *but we'd still like more!*

We are delighted to say that all the decennial years are being represented at the dinner;

66 – 76 – 86 – 96 – 06

The event is open to **ALL Former Pupils** and their partners, not just those celebrating their decennial reunion year. The more the merrier – so please come along.

[Booking Form](#)

If you wish to make a payment for your ticket using BACS – bank details are below:

Barclays Bank
Truro School Former Pupils Association
Sort Code: **20-87-94**
Account Number: **33707679**

Jo Wood, TS Researcher and Archivist will once again be preparing some special material to evoke past memories.

The afternoon prior to the dinner will also include the usual sports fixtures. Please come and support the teams:

School v Leavers:
Hockey
Netball
Rugby

Anonymous Art Auction

14 October 2016



Calling all Artists

Once again Truro School
will be holding an

Anonymous Art Auction

raising funds for local charity:

The Wave Project

The last art auction, 2 years ago was
highly successful, raising over

£3000

from the sale of more than
120 canvasses.

If you would like to be part of this
amazing event and wish to submit a
painting, please contact:

Nic Sherriff:

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A4 canvas available for collection
from Truro School

Paintings exhibition:

Heseltine Gallery

Saturday 8 October 2016

Until

Friday 14 October 2016

Viewings:

Saturday and Sunday 10 - 5 pm

Monday to Thursday 4 - 6 pm

The finalé charity auction will take
place on:

Friday 14 October 2016

Commencing:

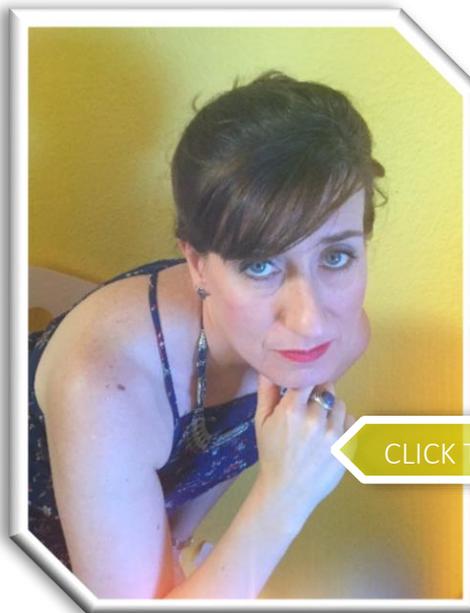
7 pm

(Telephone bids on the night)

Lynette Carveth (CO84) - International Soprano Performing with Pendennis Brass and Truro Methodist Church Choir

On Friday 19 August, International Soprano and Truro School Former Pupil, Lynette Carveth will be performing with Pendennis Brass and Truro Methodist Church Choir at Truro Methodist Church – An Evening of Brass and Voice. The event is in aid of Cornwall Hospice Care.

Read more about Lynette's career as an International Soprano...



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Alice Piper (Truro Prep 2009-2012) Selected for England Surf Life Saving Championships

Former Pupil Alice Piper (daughter of Rob Piper, Coordinator of Science at Truro Prep) has just been selected for the England Surf Life Saving Team in the Sprint and Flags events.



The competition is against Wales and takes place on Friday 19 August at Portreath. Alice has been involved in Surf Life Saving as a sport since the age of 7 and has achieved earlier accolades of Junior National Champion (GB) in various running events in the past; *Beach Sprints and 1km Beach Run.*

Will Deary (CO15) & Josh Maxwell (CO15) Win Gold and Silver at National Fencing Championships

Truro Former Pupils were well represented at the Under 17 and Under 20 National Fencing Championships held in London recently.



In the men's sabre events, Will Deary (CO15) and Josh Maxwell (CO15) took the gold and silver respectively.

Will Deary began fencing around 9 years ago when he moved to Truro and started at Truro Prep. He tell us his Mother encouraged him to try as many activities as possible in order to find one he really enjoyed.

I saw that Truro Prep had a beginner's fencing activity, I actually had to ask what fencing was as I had no idea. After it was explained to me I desperately wanted to give it a go! Unfortunately for me, most of my friends were in the intermediate fencing group as they had begun the term before. Like many kids I just wanted to be with my friends so I really tried hard in the beginner group in the hope I would be moved up into the better one. When that time eventually came I had already fallen in love with the sport and I have continued to fence ever since.

Will attributes his success to hard work and determination and the will to be the very best that he can be (*Esse quam videri*). He is currently training full-time in London as part of the *World Class Programme*. *Here I train every day of the week in a combination of strength and conditioning, footwork, agility and sparring. It is this, full-time training that I believe has allowed me to reach a higher level in my fencing.*

Lucy Jupp, Head of Fencing said: *The successes that both Will and Josh have achieved are testament to their excellent commitment, determination and motivation to succeed in the sport. They were always the first to training and the last to leave. National championship success does not come as a flash in the pan but takes years of hard work beforehand. These two young men laid this groundwork by taking full advantage of the high performance fencing programme available to them whilst they were here. They have been training partners and competitors for many years and I am sure we will continue to see them excel in the sport in the future.*

Truro Fencing Club
Jon Salfield, Head Coach
Cornwall Fencing Centre
Truro School

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<http://www.trurofencing.com>

PROPOSED EVENTS

London Reunion October 2016

The 2015 London Networking Reunion was held at the Masons Arms in Mayfair. The event was attended by Former Headmaster, Paul Smith (2001-2012) and offered a great opportunity for younger, recent School leavers to network with some of our slightly older alumni, many of whom are well established in their careers in the City.



We hope to repeat this fantastic opportunity again this year and Paul Smith and his wife Kathy are looking forward to meeting up with some old faces. So please come along.

***Working or living in London?
Please get in touch!***

We are looking for a new venue:
If you have any ideas or suggestions regarding a suitable venue or anything else regarding the London Reunion please get in contact:

tsfpa@truroschool.com

Please register your interest.

OBITUARY NOTICES

If you have an obituary notice which you would like us to place in the newsletter, please email:
tsfpa@truroschool.com

Séan FLANNERY (CO83)

**31 July 1964
18 June 2016**

With great sadness we report the death of Former Pupil Sean Flannery. Sean passed away suddenly following a heart attack at his shared house in Kenwyn Street on Saturday 18 June. Our condolences are with his family and friends at this sad time.

Kirit PATEL MBE (CO69)

**29 December 1949
16 July 2016**

It is with much sadness that we report the sudden death of Kirit Patel MBE on Saturday 16 July 2016. Our condolences and sympathy are with Mr Patel's wife, Nalini, their children and all his family and loved ones at this sad time.

Alan Charles REYNOLDS (CO80)

**27 January 1962
25 July 2016**

Truro School are greatly saddened to report the passing of Former Pupil Alan Reynolds, who died at home unexpectedly on Monday 25 July. Alan leaves his mum, Maud, children, Tom and Kaya and his grandchildren, Freddie and Karys. The funeral will be held at Penmount Crematorium, Truro on Monday 8th August at 2pm. Rugby shirts are welcome!

Tributes are welcomed for the above gentlemen. Those received will be included in the 2016-17 edition of the *Truronian Annual Magazine*.

Amie Tall (CO10) became Mrs Amie Cadwell Married in the School Chapel by Reverend Aubin de Gruchy



Amie Tall and her fiancé Karl Cadwell were married in the Chapel at Truro School at 1pm on Saturday 28 August 2015. The ceremony was conducted by our very own Reverend Aubin de Gruchy. Amie is the daughter of Glenys and Tim Tall (CO72). The Tall family have a long history with Truro School as Tim is a Former Pupil, having attend the School from 1966 to 1972 in Day House Wickett. He then joined the teaching staff in 1980 until he retired in 2014.

The wedding ceremony was a small family service followed by a big party at Truro Rugby Club where groom Karl, used to play as a junior.



Ros Atkin (CO93)

Continental roadshow reporting on Brexit and Euros for the BBC

Ros Atkins presents Outside Source on the BBC News Channel and has recently completed a series of roadshows from Paris, Manchester, Edinburgh, Wembley, Tunbridge Wells, Westminster and Brussels.

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**Mike May (CO81) – Neil Hodding (CO80)
Andy Hodding (CO16)
Mini Reunion in Florida**

Old school friends Mike May and Neil Hodding regularly keep in touch but this July they held their own mini reunion at Mike's home in Florida, USA when Neil and his family visited.



Mike was born in Ohio, America in 1961 and grew up in Indiana. In June 1977 he and his family moved to St Ives in Cornwall and Mike joined Truro School in 1978.

Neil and Mike grew up together in St Ives, playing golf at West Cornwall Golf Club, and boarders at Truro School.

Neil left school following his A levels in the summer of 1980 and he and Mike both went on to graduate from the University of Florida; Neil, in December 1984 and Mike, in May 1985. After graduating Neil returned to the UK and he and his wife Jo, live in Cornwall at Carbis Bay near St Ives. Neil's son Andrew (Andy) also attended Truro School and left earlier this summer having completed his A levels. Andy joined the 2 friends for this *mini reunion*.

While the Hodding family were in Florida, we played 7 rounds of golf, went to the beach, attended a minor league baseball game in Daytona Beach, ate lots of chicken wings, enjoyed many trips to the pool, had a poolside barbecue, and consumed a few bottles of Bud Light beer, (for medicinal purposes only of course!) recalls Mike.

He has return to England and visited Truro School on a number of occasions, in 1983, 1992 and most recently in 2012. He is making plans to visit again in 2017.

Mike now works in the sports and fitness industry in the US. One of his professional pursuits is working as a travel golf writer for Southern Golf Central magazine, Tri-State Golfer (which is read in the greater Philadelphia area), NWO Golf Links (which is based in Toledo, Ohio), and GolfTrips.com.



This avenue of work allows Mike to travel throughout America enjoying a round of golf (or 2!) at marvellous golf courses, enjoying world class cuisine, and staying in beautiful locations. Most of Mike's stories can be read at southerngolfcentral.com.

Recently Mike made a number of appearance on American TV channels promoting another aspect of his work with the organisation PHIT America. Their work is focussed on encouraging more Americans to become physically active and begins with daily PE in schools. Watch one of Mike's interviews using the link: [Wish TV](#)

Pictured above: Mike on set at WCTV in Tallahassee with one of WCTV's presenters.

NOTICES

LINKEDIN Truro School Community

Our recent launch of the new, official, [Truro School Community](#) LinkedIn page has been really successful.

With over 270 members it is proving to be a useful networking tool.

We have received contacts from Former Pupils who would be willing to visit school and talk with our Sixth Form offering careers advice.

We have also linked with Former Pupils with whom we had lost touch and have now featured in our newsletter.

Please visit the page and comment, or post your own business or work related questions or ideas – we will be very pleased to hear from you.

Art & Design Former Pupils

Please get in touch if you are a former A level Art or Design student who is now using your art or design qualification and knowledge in a career, but not necessarily as an artist per se.

The Art and Design Department have a project they would like you to be part of.

Please email:

tsfpa@truroschool.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS



TRURO SCHOOL
Delighted to be hosting the

Cornwall Sustainability Awards

On
Friday 2 December 2016

The school is committed to sustainability at every level and we wish our pupils to be well informed young leaders with a clear understanding of sustainability and environmental issues.

On the 15 June 2016, our Year 10 Young Enterprise Group *The Seaweed Gardeners* were awarded the *Company of the Year* award at the *Young Enterprise South West Regional Finals*. *The Seaweed Gardeners* have demonstrated their commitment to the environment with their business idea and they are a clear example of how Truro School is maintaining a positive impact on its environment as well as our students.

Truro Schools wishes to leave a legacy for future generations that demonstrates our responsible management of our resources. We wish to be an example to our pupils, parents and employees through good environmental management and leadership. We are proud to be sponsors and hosts of such a prestigious event in Cornwall.

Saying Our Goodbye's – Staff Leavers With our thanks and good wishes for the future:

Claire Nineham

Leaving to take on a role as Head of Humanities at Poltair School

Michael Forrester

Moving back to California with his family

Sarah Eastburn

Going to Liskeard School as Maths Co-ordinator

Tessa Nichols

Moving to Wycliffe College, Gloucestershire as Director of Admissions and Marketing

Victoria Vyvan

Retiring

Mark Huckle

Retiring after 12 years to pursue and develop Piran Films with his daughter Melody

Matthew Lovett

Moving to pastures new with the MIST group

Simon Collinge

Retiring after 30 years with Truro School

Simon Latarche

Retires after 33 years with Truro School

Speech Day Cricket Former Pupils v School 1st XI

The traditional afternoon cricket match between Former Pupils v School 1st XI was a great way to end the term rounding off speech day nicely.

Andy Lawrence said:

It was lovely to see so many former players and say farewell to those who have represented the school over the past years.



In a very tight game the former pupils emerged the victors by six runs.

Thank you to all those who turned up to play and special thanks to Andy Lawrence and Chris Rowe for their help and support on the day.

SCHOOL NEWS

Special Edition – Speech Day
Friday 8 July 2016

This year we were very pleased to offer live streaming of our School Speech Day ceremony and we are delighted to report the event attracted over 1000 followers from around the globe.

As the Sir Ben Ainslie Sports Hall began to fill the audience were treated to musical accompaniment from the *Chamber Orchestra* playing *Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No 2*. This was followed by an *Oboe Trio: Queen of the Night, Mozart* and *Saxophone Quartet: Toccata and Fugue, Bach*.



Reverend Aubin de Gruchy opened proceedings with prayers followed by a warm welcome from Chairman of Governors, Mr Kim Conchie.

Headmaster, Andrew Gordon-Brown then addressed the gathering, delivering an account of the past year and thanking a great many people for their help and contribution to the smooth running of the School. The Headmaster also recognised many members of the team who would be leaving Truro School for pastures new or retiring from school life. He then introduced former pupil, Lord Myners, guest of honour, and invited him to present the numerous prizes and awards which Lord Myners duly did with great gusto and enthusiasm for every individual. Lord Myners was then invited to address the audience.



Vote of Thanks: Delivered by Head Boy, Tobias Copeland and Head Girl, Phoebe Piercy.

After a hymn and prayers by The Chaplain the morning's events came to a close for another year and were followed by refreshments in the Old Sports Hall.



The Opie Shield Winners:

**School
(191 points)**

Second	Vinter
Third	Smith
Fourth	Wicket

Lord Myners (CO66) **Guest of Honour at Speech Day**



The School were delighted and privileged to welcome Lord Myners as guest of honour for Speech Day in July. After very kindly presenting our students with the many awards and prizes associated speech day, Lord Myners address, amused, amazed and entertained the audience of pupils, former pupils, parents and staff alike. His humour and the tales of his time at Truro School were especially warmly received by our students. Many of our leavers were heard to say afterwards, they felt he was talking directly to them and they certainly enjoyed his renditions of school days – one of the best speeches they could remember.

Paul Myners conveyed a message to our students that you can achieve anything you set out to do and that anyone, even if you have not received awards or outstanding examination results, can still go on to do great things. The prolonged and rousing applause which followed his speech certainly reflected the enjoyment of the audience.

Paul Myners is a former pupil of Truro School and now lives in London but has had a home in Falmouth for over 30 years. He is married to Alison, a Psychotherapist and Chair of The Institute of Contemporary Art, and has 5 children, the youngest of whom has just taken her A levels.

Paul Myners is Chancellor of the University of Exeter and a member of the court of the London School of Economics and Political Science. He has a first class honours degree in Education and started his working life teaching typewriting in a girls' school in inner London. He then proceeded, via financial journalism with the Daily Telegraph, to a career in the City of London, running one of the largest fund managers in Europe. He retired from full-time executive employment in his early fifties and then pursued a plural career including Chairing Marks & Spencer, the Guardian Media Group and Land Securities. His non-commercial portfolio included Chairing the Tate, the Low Pay Commission and membership of the Court of the Bank of England. Paul was also a Director of Singapore's sovereign wealth fund, GIC. He produced reports and led reviews for Conservative, Coalition and Labour governments covering a wide range of public policy issues.

In late 2008 he was appointed a Minister in the government of Gordon Brown, serving the Treasury where he was responsible for managing the recapitalising of the British banking system. He is a partner in Autonomous Research LLP and chair of Cevian Capital UK and has a number of other directorships including CQS, a quantitative credit investment manager, MegaFon, a Russian mobile telephone company and Rothschild Capital Partners.

We send our thanks and enormous appreciation to Lord Myners and we certainly hope he won't leave it too long before returning to delight our students and staff with more stories of his time spent at Truro School.

Esse Quam Videri

ADVERTISEMENTS

An Evening of Brass and Voices Featuring International Soprano, Lynette Carveth

Truro Methodist Church, Union Place, Truro, TR1 1EP



In support of



Cornwall Hospice Care
Caring for our community

Registered Charity No. 1113140



Date: Friday 19th August 2016

Time: 19:30

An Evening of Brass and Voices

Pendennis Brass & Truro Methodist Church Choir

featuring International soprano

Lynette Carveth

An evening of beautiful music ranging from well known classics to light and modern. The compere will be **Dr Brendan Mclean**.

An evening of top quality Cornish entertainment guaranteed, and all proceeds go to the Cornwall Hospice Care.

Pendennis Brass (Director, Scott Watters) and the Truro Methodist Church Choir (Director, Philip Davey, accompanist, Graham Penrose) present



Truro School Venues for hire:

Did you know you can rent out venues at Truro School for business events, weddings parties and other private functions **with or without catering?**

Pictured is the Old Sports Hall transformed for our recent Summer Ball

It is a flexible space for 120+ people and can seat 350 for a dinner.

For more information please contact:
Nichola Sherriff, Events Manager

ns@truroschool.com

Advertising Opportunities: Truro Schools parents and clients

Do you have a business you would like to advertise? We may be able to offer the ideal solutions:

- Terraces is the annual magazine which goes out to all parents and enquirers to Truro School.
This method of advertising reaches a large target audience.

- Advertising hoardings on the Astro Turf

Provide the perfect opportunity to target your business to the many people that drive past when parking at the school and to all the users and clients of the Sir Ben Ainslie Sports Centre.

To discuss options and prices contact Nichola Sherriff: ns@truroschool.com or telephone: **01872 246039**