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Truro School Former Pupils' Association

June 2017 Newsletter

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FORMER PUPIL NEWS


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You're invited to the
TSFPA Annual Reunion Dinner

Saturday 9 September 2017
7pm - 11pm

All former pupils, former staff, current staff and guests are invited to celebrate those who left school 10, 20, 30, 40 or 50+ years ago; classes of 07, 97, 87, 77, 67 and all our Seniors!

Tickets £25.00 EACH
Dress: Black tie & cocktail dresses

Truro School Dining Hall
Trennick Lane, Truro

RSVP Please request a booking form:
tsfpa@truroschoo.com or 01872 246094



[Book online today!](#)

Or Email Katy on tsfpa@truroschoo.com

Would you like to get back in touch with your old school friends?

Perhaps over the years you have lost touch but would like to reconnect?

We will do our best to help you– just email their names to tsfpa@truroschoo.com along with the years they were at Truro School! (If you can remember!) and we will try to reconnect you.

Truro School at the Royal Cornwall Show 2017

Thank you to all the Former Pupils who joined us for a drink and a chat at the Royal Cornwall Show this year– despite the adverse weather conditions on Thursday and Saturday! We really appreciate you taking the time to drop by.

The Development team thoroughly enjoyed hearing what you have been up to; from Peter Thomas (CO59) and his success with showing his chickens to Robert Pryce (CO16) training to be a pilot! We love to hear all your news, all of the time, so while it's lovely to see you face to face, we also are thrilled with all the news we receive via email. Keep it coming!



Muck Up Day– Leavers 2017

On 26 May the class of 2017 celebrated their last day of school. In the morning they enjoyed music in the quad followed by breakfast on the front terrace and their awards ceremony in the Burrell Theatre before heading to the chapel for their traditional leavers service. The development team wishes all the CO17 the very best of luck with their futures and warmly welcomes them to the Truro School Former Pupils Association.



COMMUNITY EVENTS



CANCELLED Friday 7 July Speech Day Cricket

Unfortunately due to lack of player availability this year's Former pupils v School cricket match will not take place.

If you are interested in playing an evening match next year, please get in touch!

Saturday 9 September **TSFPA Sports Events** and **Annual Reunion Dinner**

Former Pupils v School:
Mixed Hockey, Netball and Rugby

These games take place in the afternoon of the 9th
1.15—5.30 pm

Calling Players for :Mixed Hockey and Netball! To play against the current school team!

To register your interest please email Katy: tsfpa@truroschool.com

Spectators for Rugby, Mixed Hockey and Netball most welcome!

All Former Pupils, Former Staff, Current Staff & Guests are invited to the 2017 Annual Reunion



Please join us in the Truro School Dining Hall
7pm-11pm!
Tickets £25

Join our [Facebook](#) event page, share it with your friends and get a table together!

We are really looking forward to welcoming you to your reunion.

Robert Pryce (CO16) Pilot training with EasyJet



During the summer holidays last year Robert was invited to attend a 2 week course by the RAF Air Cadets which was held in Dundee. He was selected out of 1000 people who applied and 150 were given the opportunity to attend the course. The aim was to provide each cadet with 12 hours of flying experience in a light aircraft, with a solo flight at the end based on performance.

Robert told us:

I worked really hard over the 2 weeks and was excited as well as extremely nervous when my instructor left me on the aircraft and told me to take out a flight on my own.

The solo flight lasted 20 minutes and Robert had to complete a take-off, followed by a short flight over the River Tay, before coming into land. This 12 hours was logged and he hopes has set him up well for the future.

After leaving school Robert applied to mixed Fleet Cabin Crew at British Airways in order to gain some experience in the aviation industry. He started training in late October and started flying in December. Over the last 7 months he has flown a number of European and long haul routes including Aberdeen, Budapest, Singapore, and Johannesburg on the A320, Boeing 777, and Airbus A380 aircrafts.

Robert's application with EasyJet had been ongoing for around 12 months and he had to complete a number of assessments including maths tests, aptitude and coordination tests, a series of group exercises and an interview.

Now that he has completed the assessment, he will be enrolled onto one of their courses which will be run by CTC aviation which is based in Southampton. The course is approximately 18 months and on completion leads to the role of a First Officer flying the Airbus A320 for EasyJet. Robert is hoping to start around November, but the course type as well as specific dates still needs to be confirmed by the flying school.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

If you haven't yet filled in an opt in form, you can now do it online!

If you do not return this to us soon, we will no longer be able to communicate with you, even if we have been doing so for years.

So please **OPT IN!**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Thursday 12 October London Networking Reunion



We are very pleased to confirm the 2017 London Networking Reunion.

The East India Club
16 St James's Square
London
SW1Y 4LH



This year former Headmaster Paul Smith will be joined by current Headmaster, Andrew Gordon-Brown to host the event.

Nancy Kenward and Jane Rainbow will also be attending and are very much looking forward to catching up with some familiar faces.

Come along and meet other former pupils for an evening of conversation, over a drink and refreshments.

Please register your interest with Katy:
tsfpa@truroschool.com

This Event has already gained a lot of Interest! So please come along if you are in the area!

Talan Skeels-Piggins (CO89)



Talan's story first hand: [CLICK TO READ MORE](#)

On the 20th May Talan took part in the first International Disabled World Cup motorcycle race at Le Mans, France. This historic event was an official support race at the HJC sponsored French MotoGP. As one of the two British racers invited to attend the event, Talan said that he was *excited and honored* to be representing Great Britain in the 600cc category.

Talan's preparation did not go entirely as planned. Thirteen days before the race, whilst demonstrating at the Donington Endurance Legends event, he suffered a jammed throttle as he hit the brakes at the end of the start/finish straight. Unable to slow down, he barreled into the gravel and went over the front of the bike, head first into the gravel. Whilst he wasn't too badly injured, his bike needed new fairing and investigation into why the throttle stayed wide open. After eight frantic days he was heading into the Channel tunnel with a repaired, but untested, race bike on the way to France.

Robert Piper (CO73) Coordinator of Science, Truro Prep School and Former Pupil

I joined Truro School as a boarder in 1966 at 11 years old. It was all boys then and very male orientated. It was strange being left at Poltisco with my parents driving off for the first time and leaving me. I needn't have worried my first housemaster " Buck" Tonkin looked after us extremely well (he later became an Acting Head for a year in DWB's absence). In those days if you lived west of Camborne you had to board. Half way through year 4 my father moved to Redruth so I went in daily from then on. I wouldn't say I was a top scholar by any means, but enjoyed all sports except Cricket. Playing for my house, Smith and the school. I achieved my School Colours for rugby and a county trial. I left in July 1973 to go onto train as a teacher.

On returning from Exeter I was lucky enough to be offered a job at Camborne Science and International Academy as it is now known. I stayed there for 36 years teaching Biology to A level and holding various responsibility posts Including, Head of Sixth and head of other years.

While back in Cornwall I played a little rugby in at Redruth and did some Judo. I started teaching Judo at the Prep School about 12 years ago after a chance meeting with Matthew Lovett when he was showing us around the school with my daughter Alice. When I retired early from Camborne, Matthew asked if I would teach a few lessons of Science a week at the Prep School. I said yes, then within about two days I was also teaching Physics at the senior campus thanks to Nick Fisher. Since then I have become Coordinator for Science at the Prep and have taught in all 3 Science departments at the Senior School. Some Retirement!!

Written by Robert Piper



1st XV 1972 - Rob Piper 3rd from left back row



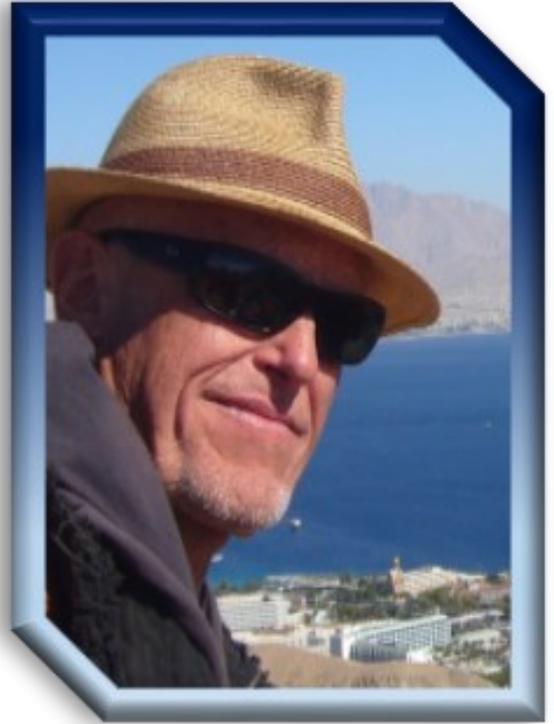
Roger White (CO64)

Don't be too quick to mend your boot zip

Roger tells us in his own words the story of his journey since his time at Truro School, and how he has ended up where he is today because of certain events and circumstances that have popped up along the way!

Read about how Roger came to be live in Ibiza running his own business after beginning his days in Cornwall, and having many adventures along the way.

[CLICK TO READ MORE](#)



Peter Child (CO74)

Waves4Power

We continue to follow the many projects Former Pupil Peter Childs is involved with, Waves4Power is a Swedish company specialising in the development of wave energy systems.

Waves4Power has successfully connected its system to the mainland off the west coast of Norway and has now started feeding the Norwegian power grid. It is one of the first wave devices in the world to have achieved this. The company has a UK subsidiary in Truro run by Peter Child and is working on projects in the UK including the Isles of Scilly as a potential supplier of renewable energy to its smart grid.



Peter tells us how he came to be involved:

I met W4P when MD at Falmouth Docks and was very impressed by the people and their product and joined them when I left A&P. These guys have been together for a long time and many are ex Volvo so experts on engineering and manufacture.

They also have a strong partnership approach in the supply chain which works well. Being probably, as they say in advertising, the first company in the world to be grid connected 24/7 and all working first time is a tremendous achievement.

We are now working on several projects including operating an array (multiple devices deployed) a GPES system which includes energy storage via Hydrogen and production of heat and fresh water for offshore and I island platforms and potentially supporting the new Smart Grid on Isles of Scilly.

If Dave Kessell, Brian Jackson and my other science teachers knew about this they would faint!

To find out more, visit the [Waves4Power website](#)

FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Philip George
SMITH
CO64**

**(TS 1957—1954)
23/09/1946 to 22/03/2017**

It is with great sadness that Truro School reports the passing of Former Pupil Philip Smith who lost his brave battle with cancer on Wednesday 22 March 2017.

Philip was a regular attender at Truro School reunions, the last being in October 2016.

Our Sincere condolences to his wife Sue, family and friends

**Lady Mary
HOLBOROW**

**(Former TS Governor)
1979-1988**

1936-2017

It is with regret that Truro School must report the passing of Lady Mary Holborow

Lady Mary was part of the Cornish community and will be missed by many.

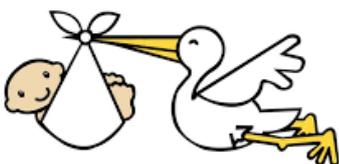
This year she was featured in the West Briton's list of Cornwall's top 50 leading ladies and strongest women

**We want our Family Announcements page to be more than just sad news:
Hatches, Matches and Dispatches
Please tell us know your good news too!**



**Tell us if you have Graduated!
And please tell us your A- level Results!**

If you have got married!



Or had a new arrival!

Archive Attic

Prefects from 1962– 1963! Where are you now?



PREFECTS, 1962–63

Left to right, top row: D. Stocks, R. J. Vincent, A. Cameron, D. Ellis, M. Short, A. J. Opie
Middle row: D. Crabb, R. Carreras, I. P. Kolbé, S. R. A. Bird, M. D. Berry, F. C. Buckingham, W. G. Speake,
M. Cooney, J. J. Preedy, M. G. Harries, T. C. Hoskin, C. J. Tiltman, J. B. Williams, D. A. Allan
Front row: K. Pester, A. R. Morrish, R. A. Downey, E. P. Buckley, R. B. Williamson, H. J. Davies, W. R. Oliver,
J. C. G. Dymond, C. Mumford, R. O. Batho, P. Carter

We know we are in touch with some of you in this picture, please do let us know where you are now, or if you have news of your classmates, We would be excited to hear what you are doing, and if you are still in touch with each other! If there's someone pictured you would love to reconnect with then we will do our best to put you back in touch.

Contact Katy on tsfpa@truroschoo.com

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TRURO SCHOOL ART AND DESIGN TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENTS

END OF YEAR SHOW 2017



"a hive of activity"

Tuesday 4th - 6th July
Private view Tuesday 4th July 5 - 8pm

Artwork From Pre-Prep to Senior School

TRURO SCHOOL

Heseltine Gallery

SUMMER HOLIDAY SPORT CAMPS

SIR BEN AINSLIE SPORTS CENTRE



Cornwall Netball Camp
14th - 15th August

Peninsula Hockey Camp
30th - 31st August

Multi Sport Activity Camp
26th & 27th July
9th & 10th August
17th August
29th August

Junior Triathlon Camp
21st - 24th August

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For more info visit our website: www.sirbenainsliesportscentre.com

JULY
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**CHARITY CONCERT FOR
PENHALIGON'S
FRIENDS**

**Truro School Chapel
7.30pm**

Join Stithians Ladies Choir with special guests, local choir The Trengilly Singers and Oxford a capella group The Beatroots, for an evening of musical entertainment.

Tickets £5.00

For more information contact stithiansladies@gmail.com



TSFPA Annual Sports Events

Reunion Saturday

9 September 2017



Following tradition **Former Pupil v School** sports fixtures are planned for the first Saturday of the new academic year.

1.15 pm

Netball—SBA

Former Pupils (All ages) v School Team

2.30 pm

Rugby—1st XV pitch

2017 Leavers v School Team

4.00 pm

Mixed Hockey—Astro

Former Pupils (All ages) v School Team

4.00 pm to 5.30 pm

Refreshments will be served by the Sixth Form Centre
(Pasties for all the players with tea/coffee and biscuits for supporters)

All supporters are most welcome!

We hope this year all the players will join fellow Former Pupils at the evening event:

2017 Annual Reunion Dinner

7.00 pm—11 pm

School Dining Hall

Email:

tsfpa@truroschoo.com



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By sharing your contact information with us you are agreeing to allow us to provide you with: News, plans, fundraising priorities and event invitations, from Truro School Foundation (TSF), Truro School Former Pupils Association (TSFPA) and Friends of Truro School (FTS).