
THE SOCIETY OF OLD PRICEANS

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London Christmas Luncheon

Royal Air Force Club - 128 Piccadilly, London W.1

Saturday, 4th December 2010 - 12:00 for 12:30 pm

Dress : Lounge Suit

Paul Lewis assisted by Mike Bayliss have once again arranged for us to have the privilege of holding our Christmas Function at the RAF Club in Piccadilly. The RAF Club always provide us with an enjoyable and memorable event. The after lunch speaker for this year will be former Pricean D G (George) Watts MA(Oxon), BLitt, FRHistS on 'Where was Shakespeare during the "lost years"?'.

Tickets are priced, as last year, at £40 for a single or £75 for a double ticket. Partners, guests, friends and those with links to the School and College are most welcome.

Security issues dictate that bookings must be made by 22nd November at the very latest please. Please respond promptly.



Christmas Luncheon 2010 - Royal Air Force Club, Piccadilly, London W.1

I will be coming (name).....(years at Prices).....

(address)

(phone)..... and I will be bringing

I enclosed my cheque in the sum of £..... (£40 single/£75 double ticket) made payable to "The Society of Old Priceans".

Please tear off this slip and return with your remittance (to arrive by 22nd November, please) to:

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*Minutes of the Committee Meeting
held on Friday 8 October 2010
at Lysses House Hotel Fareham*

PRESENT

C.P.Nobes(President),C.W.Evans(Chairman),M.J.Croad-Brangwyn(Treasurer),B.R.Pearce(Minutes) and some 22 members.

1. Chairman's Introduction

The Chairman opened the Meeting at 10.45am. He thanked Members for their attendance, welcoming all back to Lysses.

2. Apologies for Absence

Received from:- Robert Cockbain, Kenneth Gibson, Vivian Knight, Derek Marlow, Michael Peagram, Malcolm Turner, Jacqueline Horn.

3. Minutes of the Meeting held on Friday 9 October 2009

The Minutes of the 2009 AGM were approved as a true record of that Meeting.

4. Matters Arising

David Williams reported that his research regarding links to William Price were continuing. Members' memories of the School would be welcomed for future CD's.

5. Chairman's Report

The Chairman's Report is attached to these Minutes.

6. Honorary Secretary's Report

The Society's websites are now fully operational. The original site at www.sop.hampshire.org.uk continues to exist. It contains a wealth of material but no further pages will be added because the free allowance from Hampshire County Council is now full. The modern site is www.societyofoldpriceans.co.uk which will receive all new additions.

Email correspondence has been sporadic but there has been a noticeable increase in the number of people tracing the roots of their ancestors.

For instance, there was a request for details of Frank Noblett Howarth who joined the School in 1918 from his daughter in London. Unfortunately our records do not provide much help with years before 1925 where the immensely valuable Lion archive is so useful. The role of Archivist is clearly

going to play an increasingly important role in the Society and arising from that the question of what should be done for free might, in the longer term, have to be considered.

7. Honorary Treasurer and Membership Secretary's Report

The Treasurer circulated his report to all members.

Current assets at 1 October 2010 stand at £4549.66.

Ties, Centenary Albums and Badges are still available.

There have been no resignations, but, sadly, 4 members have died.

Membership lists were available from Michael Croad-Brangwyn. David Williams congratulated Michael Croad-Brangwyn for his untiring work as Treasurer and Membership Secretary.

There were 3 new members. Membership stands at 195.

8. Election of Committee

All Committee members were re-elected.

9. Constitution Amendment Proposal

The proposed amendment was approved by all present.

The Constitution can be seen on the Website.

10. Any Other Business

The Princess Royal will shortly visit Fareham College to open a new department. The President has received a late invitation but, due to commitments, is unable to accept.

The Lion artefact has been found and restored. It was not known if this would be displayed at the visit of the Princess.

The Chairman welcomed new Members, Joanne Read and Roy Rolfe.

The President asked for any Members, who were willing, to step in at the Cenotaph Readings this year should any of last year's Readers not be available (14 Novembers 2010).

The Christmas Lunch at the RAF Club in London is to be held on 4 December 2010. The Speaker will be Mr DG Watts. Subject: Shakespeare Times.

A Book Token is to be given to Peter Hancock on becoming Bishop of Basingstoke. A Book Plate, recognising this honour, will be supplied with the Token.

The President suggested some further discussion regarding the relationship with Fareham College would be beneficial. Patrick Ridett suggested a joint strategy, involving the Charity Trust, be the way ahead. This had been the favoured approach by the Members' Committee. It was Proposed by Victor Hughes and Seconded by Patrick Ridett that the Committee would proceed as they thought fit.

Membership Forms can be obtained on the Website

11. Date of Next Meeting

Venue and Date to be confirmed later for the next AGM.

The Chairman closed the Meeting at 12 Noon thanking Members for attendance.

At the termination of the AGM, 37 Members and Guests had lunch in the Hotel. The Chairman introduced Tom De Witt, the Curator of the Westbury Manor Museum in Fareham. He spoke about the "Heroes of Fareham and Gosport" project. This was being organised by the two Museums who are encouraging nominations by the Public for this title.

Tom cited many persons who may qualify for consideration, one of whom being William Price.

The President (in his unique style) thanked Tom De Witt for an excellent talk.