

2013 OMA NEWSLETTER

Dear All Old Michaelian's,

First, a belated and sincere Happy New Year to you all.



Secondly, I hope you will share with us in congratulating the United Kingdom for two memorable events that took place in 2012.

We send our belated congratulations to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on the occasion of her Diamond Jubilee Anniversary as Queen of Great Britain and the Commonwealth. Those of us who were privileged to be in London in June 1953 will recall a never to forget occasion of pomp, ceremonial, pageant and much more besides on the occasion of the Coronation. Oh yes! It did rain a tad!!

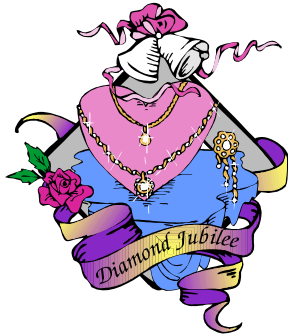
Thirdly, we could hardly forget to mention the highly successful London Olympic and Paralympic Games that took place in the summer of 2012. Wow! We were all a tiny bit lucky with the weather!! We congratulate the British Olympic Committee, the athletes and the 'games makers' for ensuring such a memorable month of sport.

On the down side, the United Kingdom experienced the second wettest year on record and only a smidgen short of the record itself!

Overall, 2012 was a year to remember for most of us and we hope that you were able to participate in some small way.

Best Wishes to you all

BUT.....



IT IS NOW OUR TURN!

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YEARS OLD THIS YEAR. This Occasion.....This Anniversary.....This part of Association history will never be repeated again and we intend to mark this Anniversary in a proper manner during the OMA Reunion weekend on the

26/27 OCTOBER 2013

Everyone is invited whether you are a Member, Life Member, Non-Member, ex-Staff, and those associated with the Old Michaelian Association. This event will be the biggest occasion for the OMA since our Golden Jubilee Anniversary Reunion weekend in 2003 and one that, we are sure, you will not want to miss. Within 'THE MITRE' this summer we will be providing you with loads of additional information about the **DIAMOND JUBILEE ANNIVERSARY REUNION** weekend and we make no apologies for bringing this all to your attention NOW so that you can all plan your year and ensure that the above mentioned dates are well installed into your respective diaries.

A little word of advice.....so come a little nearer.....even nearer!! Due to Health and Safety regulations at the Le Strange Arms Hotel, Hunstanton the Banqueting Suite will only permit a maximum number of people and we would suggest that, if Hotel accommodation needs to be made, if travel arrangements need to be confirmed, if Dinner reservations need to be made that you do not delay but make those arrangements and confirmation as soon as possible. Similar to the 2003 Reunion Dinner, Simon Pott, Bob Hill, the whole of the OMA Committee and everyone associated with the Association will very much like to see you all attend what we expect will be a memorable occasion so,

please.....**DON'T MISS OUT**

News of Old Michaelian's



Jeremy Le Poer Power

Our dear friend and fellow OM, Jeremy Le Poer Power underwent a Hospital procedure towards the end of 2012 at Basildon Hospital and is now back home and fighting his way back to 100% health. We all wish him well and look forward to welcoming him back to Hunstanton for our 2013 OMA Reunion celebrations.

David Winter

Towards the end of 2012 we became aware that David Winter, fellow OM and living down under in Australia with his wife Vera, had been diagnosed with a serious illness. David is also a registered Carer for his wife. Please keep David and Vera in your prayers and thoughts always.

Robert Thomas

It never ceases to amaze us the effectiveness and 'pulling power' of our own Web Site and Bill Cullin can chalk up yet another success since we have now established contact with Robert Thomas. Robert lives with his wife in Toronto and is now retired from the Royal Bank of Canada. We welcome Robert to the Association with open arms. Robert has already written a wonderful article for the 2013 'Mitre' and spent time on the telephone with some OM's renewing old friendships.

Have a little giggle!!!

'I went to the cemetery yesterday to lay some flowers on a grave. As I was standing there I noticed 4 grave diggers walking about with a coffin. Three hours later they were still walking about the cemetery with the coffin. I thought to myself.....they've lost the plot!!!!

'The Mitre' 2013

Once again, it will be my pleasure and privilege to Edit and publish 'The Mitre' again this year. Such an important year for the Association, so it will be jammed packed with an enormous amount of good reading material this coming summer for you all to enjoy

To date, we can reveal that the following will be included:

- Final details on the Diamond Jubilee Reunion weekend
- Additional information relevant to the history involving Ingoldisthorpe Parish Church.....Jeremy Spalding
- Brief history of the OMA
- Contributions from ex-OMA Chairpersons
- Fabulous article submitted by Robert Thomas
- Loads of encouraging words from our President & Chairman

However, be assured that we will always find additional room within 'The Mitre' for all articles submitted by our Members so, if you have something to contribute, just send it in and we will do the rest.

Finally.....

Here are some interesting facts you may not be aware of.....

Caffeine is made of carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen and oxygen: the same as cocaine, thalidomide, nylon, TNT and heroin.

In 2012, Apple Inc. had more cash in the Bank than the US Government.

In 2012, 20% of the World's top snooker players were colour blind.

