

# In Retrospect

## Old Michaelian Association

St. Michael's School was founded in 1947. At the time the Government was restricting the number of new schools and the amount of school equipment. It was due only to the determination of one man, who felt the need for a school with a strong moral and social outlook based on a Christian teaching, that the authorities granted the necessary permits.

Since the School opened, about 900 pupils of every country, class, creed and colour have passed through St. Michael's. While the majority completed their education at St. Michael's others on achieving a sound basic education then gained much sought-after scholarships, awards and places to other schools, both public and Grammar.

It was not until 1953 that an enthusiastic pupil, with the assent of the Headmaster, inaugurated what was to become The Old Michaelian Association.

The main purpose of the O.M.A. is to bring together the School, past and present. This is achieved by means of an Annual Re-union held in the Christmas Term, when an O.M. XI play the School 1st XI's at football and hockey, usually giving them a good game (see the Hockey and Football Reports).

The O.M.A. like all associations has waxed weak and strong. For the past two years we have "Never had it so Good". This is largely due to the large amount of time and effort expended by the Secretary. The membership is now at a record number and the enthusiasm of many O.M.'s has increased likewise.

The subscription is 7/6 per annum or 30/- for five years, for this members receive two "News-Letters" containing news of other O.M.'s, the Re-Unions, the School and other items of general interest. Also a copy of *The Mitre* and reduced rates for the Dinner Dance held over the O.M. Weekend during the Christmas Term. A summer weekend is also arranged when the O.M.'s take on the School 1st XI at Cricket, last year they beat them!

All pupils completing their education at St. Michael's are entitled to join the Old Michaelian Association. The committee have agreed to allow members of the School who leave at the end of the Summer Term to have their membership carried over until the December of the following year, on the condition that they pay their subscription by the 31st September in the year of leaving.

New members should contact the Honorary Secretary:

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