



THE EMMANUEL COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the Emmanuel College Newsletter, which brings you the latest news and information from all areas of College life.

NEWS

Fellows

Professor David Maxwell has been awarded a Leverhulme Research Fellowship for a project entitled *Religious Entanglement and the Making of the Luba-Katanga in Belgian Congo*. He will study missionary scientific engagements with African societies and material cultures.

Dr Javier Ortega-Hernandez was recently interviewed by Cambridge TV on his recent research on a 520-million-year-old fossil from southern China, thought to be the earliest known and most detailed fossil of the central nervous system yet discovered. It has been so well preserved that individual nerves are visible: the first time this level of detail has been observed in a fossil of this age. This will help researchers understand early animal evolution.

Memorial for Dr Ron Gray

A memorial concert will be held on Friday 18 November for Dr Ron Gray (1938), Emmanuel's longest-serving Fellow, who died aged 96 in November 2015. Members will be welcome to dine at High Table after the concert. If you would like to attend, please email development-office@emma.cam.ac.uk and further information will be sent as soon as it is available.

Conservation Statement

The College's Conservation Statement is now available on www.emma.cam.ac.uk/about/conservation, where Members have been choosing whether Front Court, the Paddock, or another area best represents the spirit of Emmanuel, and posting memories: 'Emmanuel was... the best days of my life. I ... still look back on those golden years (in rooms looking out on the Paddock) as the best'; 'a welcoming environment'; 'a peaceful and elegant place'. Do please add your thoughts and memories too.

Access

As well the usual school visits, this March and April Emmanuel also held its own Asian & Middle Eastern Studies, History, Law and Veterinary Medicine taster days for students from our link areas. Year 12 students attended lectures from our Fellows about property law, the diet and digestive systems of various animals, and the tactics used by Cnut and William the Conqueror to establish their rule in England. They also met current Emmanuel students and visited departments.

Our Schools Liaison Officer Anita has visited students at schools in Sheffield, and helped with the Oxbridge Student Conference in Lisburn (Northern Ireland). These conferences are held throughout the UK and provide up-to-date information on the application and admissions procedure at both institutions as well as an insight into student life.

Boat Club

Emmanuel Classics PhD student, Ruth Allen, rowed in the Cambridge University Women's Boat Club lightweight crew at Henley on 19 March. They rowed well, but in a closely fought race Oxford crossed the line just ahead.

The College Boat Club was well represented in the Lent Bumps. M3 earned their blades; M1 and M2 both went down one place; W1 finished fifth on the river and W2 ended where they had started.

The Club's newest Eight, 'Dame Fiona', was named on Sunday 17 April at the Boat House. W1 are looking forward to using it in the May Bumps.

Chapel Choir

In June, the Choir are going on week-long tour to Munich, performing a number of concerts, with a focus on the anthems of Henry Purcell. Their annual sponsored run around Cambridge will take place in the last week of April, showcasing both their athletic and vocal talents by stopping at various points to grace the locals with some chapel tunes in their cassocks and surplices.

Rugby Club

The Emmanuel College Rugby Football Club won Cuppers on 20 April in a closely fought match against a combined team from Clare, Corpus and King's, with a few from Wolfson too. The match was very close throughout, but Emma triumphed with a final score of 29–24. The Emma supporters were a loud and enthusiastic group and drowned out the opposing team's followers!

MCR

The MCR's President writes: 'We learn some remarkable things in our time at Emmanuel. Grad talks last term taught us how to co-opt a common law system on founding a new country; the Oscar-themed dinner demonstrated that while some people are born with a talent for costume, a whip and a hat does not an Indy make; and the Emmanuel Society showed us that perhaps graduate study is not the career sabotage we'd all secretly hoped.'

COLLEGE EVENTS

Sunday 8 May 2016 – Lunch in New York

The Master, her husband Bob Merrill and the Development Director will be hosting a lunch in New York for Members and their guests on Sunday 8 May at The Yale Club of New York, 50 Vanderbilt Ave, New York, NY 10017.



Family, friends, colleagues and guests are extremely welcome. Sunday 8 May is Mother's Day: mothers of Members and Members who are mothers are most welcome!

Please book online at www.emma.cam.ac.uk/events or email development-office@emma.cam.ac.uk

Hong Kong, Singapore, Sydney and Perth

The Master, her husband Bob Merrill and the Development Director will be holding parties for Members and their guests as follows. Invitations to those based in these areas will be sent out shortly. If you would like to express an interest in attending, please email:

development-office@emma.cam.ac.uk



Sunday 4 September: lunch in Hong Kong in the Hong Kong Club

Tuesday 6 September: supper in Sydney at the Union, University & Schools Club

Thursday 8 September: supper in Perth at the Karrakatta Club

Sunday 11 September: lunch in Singapore at the Tanglin Club

GATHERINGS OF MEMBERS

Invitations for the next Gathering of Members, which is for Members who matriculated between 1994 and 1996, and is being held on September 24–25, will be sent out in June.

EMMANUEL SOCIETY

Events for the next few months are listed in the Society's newsletter and on www.emma.cam.ac.uk/members/events. Highlights include:

- Saturday 16 July 2016 – [Emmanuel Society](#) Garden Party (2:30pm)
- Saturday 19 November – [Emmanuel Society's](#) Geography day and AGM
- Tuesday 6 December – Emmanuel Society & College Carol Service at St Mary-le-Bow, London

CAREERS

To update your entry or join the register, please visit: www.emma.cam.ac.uk/careers. There is also a facility to contact Members for networking purposes.

If you can help at annual careers workshops organised with ECSU and the MCR, either to give general advice or to talk about CV writing, filling in application forms and interview skills, please contact: emmanuel-society@emma.cam.ac.uk.

VISITING EMMANUEL

The College has student guest rooms available for booking by Members. They are not en-suite or of hotel standard, but if you would like to book one, go to www.emma.cam.ac.uk/guestrooms or telephone (01223) 334255 (mornings only).

All Members of MA status are invited to dine up to twice a year at High Table as guests of the College and may bring a guest at their own expense. Book at www.emma.cam.ac.uk/dining or contact the Development Office.

The College welcomes private bookings of its rooms for meetings, meals and conferences. Contact: conferences@emma.cam.ac.uk or telephone (01223) 762099.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

College and Society E-News

If our monthly e-newsletter is not reaching you and you would like a copy, please contact the Development Office.

Facebook

Please join the Emmanuel College Members group on Facebook at: www.facebook.com/emma.cambridge.927

This is a new private Facebook group, which shares much more information than the public Emmanuel fan page.

College Updates

Please let us know of any changes in your address, contact details, and news, by contacting the Development Office or use the form at:

www.emma.cam.ac.uk/members/keepintouch

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