



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

Award

The American Institute of Aeronautics & Astronautics has announced *Professor Nigel Peake* as the winner of the Aeroacoustics Award 2015. This award is given for an outstanding scientific or technical contribution to the reduction of aircraft noise.

It is the second time a Fellow from Emmanuel has received this distinction: Professor Shôn Ffowcs-Williams received it in 1977.

Access

In the last couple of months we've hosted three Subject Taster Days for Year 12 students in Medicine and Biological Sciences, East Asian Studies and English. At each event school students attended taster lectures, met Directors of Studies and spent time with current undergraduates.

Prospective medics and biologists visited Professor Smith's laboratory at the Department of Pathology or attended a physiology practical class with Dr Tolhurst; East Asian Studies students learnt some Japanese with Dr Moretti and took part in a calligraphy class; while English students visited the Rare Books Room at the University Library with Dr Russell. We hope to run similar events for more subjects in the future. Students have visited us from far and wide this month with groups from Sheffield, Southend, Colchester, Holland and New Zealand!

In the middle of March we worked with the Department of Plant Sciences to host the first Cambridge Colleges' Biology Experience: Year 11 students spent a morning at Emmanuel before attending a practical laboratory class. Our visitors have all enjoyed seeing Emmanuel in the sunshine and searching for our new ducklings!

Rugby Cuppers

Emmanuel 10–18 St John's

A fantastic season for Emmanuel College Rugby Football Club came to a luckless end as the team lost 18–10 in the final of Cuppers to a John's side containing 5 Blues and countless U21 University players.

Despite heroic defence, the lions of Emma couldn't quite contain the power of the John's pack. However, despite the

loss there is much cause to celebrate. Simply making the final for the first time in 44 years is a huge step in the rebuilding of ECRFC as the current players attempt to take the Club back to the lofty heights of the inter-College rugby pyramid.

The game started brightly and eventually, after a scoreless first ten minutes, ill discipline from the John's second rows allowed Michael Phillips to kick over a long-range penalty, putting Emma into a deserved 3–0 lead.

After several failed attempts, John's finally managed to force their way over the try line in the corner. The conversion was missed, leaving the score at 3–5. John's started to exert even more pressure towards the end of the half, but motivated by a booming chorus from the large and extremely passionate crowd supporting us, Emma's defence held strong.

Emma came out with the sun setting and a rapturous reception from the crowd, which set the tone for a second half full of incredible spirit and determination; however a try and conversion made the score 3–12. Neither team could convert breaks into points until after an hour John's were awarded penalties, leaving the score at 3–18.

Emma had the perfect opportunity to attack from a scrum with the last play of the game. A powerful platform from the Emma front row secured the ball and down over the line. A conversion made it a seven point score margin at 10–18.

While only a consolation try in the context of the game, it was just reward for a fantastic season in which the team have been promoted to Division One and reached an historic Cuppers final. We may not have won, but the Lion was certainly rampant.

Sandy McCleery Secretary 2014–15

Emma Cricket Tour

Thanks partly to the generosity of Old Emma last year, the College (captain Tom McKane) is organising the first cricket tour for many years. The team will play games on grounds within National Trust properties. More details later. Let's hope the College team will want to thank us for our help with a drink after the Old Emma vs. College match on Friday 12 June and then join us for a meal somewhere gastronomic.

College Chefs

The Emmanuel Catering team have triumphed at both the Hospitality Show and the Cambridge Culinary Competition;

they won nine awards at the former and three – for Finger Food, Restaurant Dessert and Low Carbon Meal – at the Culinary Competition and won the Steward's Cup jointly with Clare College.

ESCU

ECSU have had a successful start to the year, having changed committees at Christmas. We continue to work with the College to run events for students, as well as representing the student body in college decisions.

In Lent term we helped write the new Respect and Dignity Policy for students, which has updated the College support for students in cases of sexual harassment and assault. With the Emmanuel Society we co-hosted a successful Careers 'Speed Dating' workshop in February, which was well attended by students.

Other projects we are working on include reviving our Ents (Entertainments) provision, running free weekly yoga sessions to all students, updating the ECSU website and stocking College merchandise (or 'stash') in the ECSU shop (and of course we have begun preparing for Freshers Week 2015 already!).

We have introduced Week 6 Walks (or any week really) as part of our wider welfare provision and are working on plans to give students the opportunity to get a bit more involved in the College gardens.

We have really enjoyed our work throughout the last term and are looking forward to Easter and Michaelmas terms!

GATHERING OF MEMBERS

The next Gathering of Members is for Members who matriculated in 1954 and before, and is being held on 26–27 September. Invitations are being sent out in June.

EMMANUEL SOCIETY

Event highlights of the next few months are:

- Visit to Wotton House near Aylesbury – Saturday 6 June
- YouGov CEO Talk – Wednesday 10 June
- Old Emma vs. College Cricket – Friday 12 June
- Mid-Gathering for matriculation years 1988-90 and 1996-98 – Saturday 11 July
- Cambridge Society at the Buxton Festival – Saturday 18 July
- Golf Day – Friday 4 September
- Emmanuel Society Lecture – Friday 18 September

Details for all events are on the College website at www.emma.cam.ac.uk/members/events

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.

The Emmanuel Society would value your help at annual careers workshops organised with ECSU and the MCR, either to give general advice or to talk about writing CVs, filling in application forms and interview skills. Please contact emmanuel-society@emma.cam.ac.uk if you can help.

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. They may bring a guest at their own expense (£36). 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

We have recently introduced a monthly e-news. If it is not reaching you and you would like a copy, please contact the Development Office.

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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