Easter Term e-Bulletin 2014

Welcome to the Easter Term e-bulletin.

The College grounds are ablaze with Wolfson colours, and many of our students are preparing for University exams.

We are looking forward to welcoming this Term’s cohort of Visiting Academics this evening, prior to the St George’s Day Formal Hall.

Wolfson in Asia

We have spent the Easter holidays visiting alumni in Singapore, Kuala Lumpur, Sunway, Tokyo, Beijing and Hong Kong, with the President giving five lectures and several press and TV interviews during our tour. I am enormously grateful to all our members who so generously sponsored the alumni receptions and our accommodation during our travel, and to those
who helped with arrangements and gave thoughtful hospitality in so many cities. It was marvellous to see many old friends and to make new ones, and I am particularly grateful for all the extremely generous donations to Wolfson’s 50th Anniversary Campaign. Philanthropy on such a scale really will make an enormous difference to our students today and into the future.

Ring True - out now

The annual College newsletter, Ring True, is currently being mailed to our alumni worldwide. It includes profiles of Wolfson members, an update of our plans for the 50th Anniversary in 2015 and a selection of highlights from the sporting and cultural life of the College. You can also access it online at www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk/alumni/publications/ring-true

The Wolfson Review - call for news

Following the publication of Ring True, we are now gathering news for this year’s Wolfson Review. Please send us a summary of your recent achievements and activities, with a high resolution photograph, and we will endeavour to include them in our Members’ News section. Please send your entries to communications@wolfson.cam.ac.uk

President’s Cup Cricket Match

If you would be interested in playing for the President’s XI against the Students’ XI in the annual President’s Cup on Sunday 29 June, please email bursar@wolfson.cam.ac.uk. The President’s XI, comprising alumni, Fellows, staff and Senior Members, achieved a hat-trick of wins last year after a period of 10 successive wins by the Students’ XI. Supporters on the day are also most welcome, so do put the date in your diary. The match will begin at 2.00pm at Downing College sports ground in Grantchester Road.
Art at Wolfson

The Fine Arts Committee is currently exhibiting a selection of works by celebrated political cartoonist Peter Brookes. The cartoons will be on display in the Gallery at Wolfson until 6 May, followed by an exhibition on the history of Bredon House organised by the College Archivist. From July, Wolfson will host an exhibition entitled *Myths, Memories and Mysteries: How artists respond to the past* in collaboration with the Museum of Classical Archaeology. Exhibitions are open to all College members.

Wolfson Research Event

On 2 May, academics from Wolfson and our sister college, St Antony’s Oxford, will participate in the second annual Wolfson Research Event. Our President, Professor Sir Richard Evans, will open the event, and the keynote presentation will be given by Vice-President, Professor John Naughton.

The Research Event is an opportunity for students to present seven-minute talks or poster presentations and to receive valuable feedback from the Wolfson community. Presentations will cover a wide range of academic disciplines, and a drinks reception will follow the event.

All Wolfson members are invited to join us for this exciting afternoon, to learn more about the cutting-edge research being undertaken by students at Wolfson and St Antony’s.

Wolfson Careers Event
We were delighted to host our first Careers Event for current students in February. The day was a great success and we would like to thank all Wolfson members who kindly volunteered as Career Mentors and shared their time and expertise with Wolfson students. We have received positive feedback which will help our planning for future Careers Events. Find out more about the Wolfson Career Network at www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk/alumni/career

**Giving to Wolfson via your employer**

Wolfson College is a registered charity and we welcome donations from our members to support all aspects of College life.

One excellent way to support Wolfson is through matched giving, which doubles the impact of a donation. Many organisations worldwide offer to match their employees’ gifts to charity, so please do check whether your employer runs such a scheme.

In addition, some organisations also offer ‘give as you earn’ schemes, which enable employees to donate tax-effectively from their salaries. In the UK, this scheme is known as Payroll Giving. Donations are made after your National Insurance contributions are calculated but before Income Tax is deducted. Because of this, you only pay tax on the remainder, giving you tax relief on your donation immediately – and at your highest rate of tax. In order to support Wolfson in this way, your employer needs to be registered with an approved Payroll Giving Agency. HM Revenue and Customs’ approved Payroll Giving Agencies are listed at www.hmrc.gov.uk/businesses/giving/payroll_agencies.htm More information is at www.hmrc.gov.uk/individuals/giving/payroll.htm#1

There are also tax-efficient methods of giving available in Europe, the USA and Canada. Further information is available at www.wolfson.cam.ac.uk/alumni/donations
New scull for WCBC

A new scull has been added to the Boat Club’s fleet, thanks to a generous donation from Wolfson alumnus Todd Treusdell. The scull will be officially named after his daughter, Ségolène, at a ceremony this summer and has already proved an invaluable addition to the Boat Club.

Events Calendar

Event invitations are sent by email – please make sure we have your up-to-date email address by emailing communications@wolfson.cam.ac.uk

25 April: President’s book launch in Athens: WolfsonEvents.com
1 May: Lee Seng Tee Distinguished Lecture: Professor Joanna Bourke: The Flesh is Weak: A History of Pain from the 1760s to the Present
2 May: Wolfson Research Event
20 May: Music and Madeira
28 May: Wolfson President, Professor Sir Richard Evans, at the Bristol Festival of Ideas: www.ideasfestival.co.uk
29 May: Wolfson President, Professor Sir Richard Evans, at the Hay Festival: www.hayfestival.com
13 June: May Bumps marquee
14 June: Boat Club Dinner *by invitation to Boat Club members and Friends: contact* alumni@wolfson.cam.ac.uk

15 June 2pm: Benefactors’ Reception *by invitation to all donors in the current year*

15 June 3pm: College Garden Party

15 June 7.30pm: Mary Bevan Recital

20 June: Wolfson June Event: *New York, New York*

29 June: President’s Cup cricket match

4 July: Guest Night


20 November: Commemoration of Benefactors’ Dinner *by invitation to all Morrison Society members and major benefactors in the current year*

All events open to our members are listed at www.WolfsonEvents.com

I very much hope to see you at a Wolfson event in 2014, or at one of our 50th Anniversary celebratory events in 2015.

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