The Annual General Meeting Package
2013

The AGM 2013 will be held on Saturday, 30 November 2013 in the Refectory, Reading School, Erleigh Road, Reading, RG1 5LW.

The AGM will start at 5 pm

Welcome to this year’s package of documents. The package is available to all Members and is being sent to all those for whom we have an email address. It is also posted on the website and hard copies may be obtained on application to the Hon Secretary (Designate).

The contents of the package are listed on page 2. As in recent years, only the Income & Expenditure Statement and the Balance Sheet of the complete Trustees Report and Audited Accounts, are enclosed. Any member wishing to see the complete Trustees Report and Audited Accounts can access them through the ORA website:

www.oldredingensians.org.uk/design/pdfs/ORAAccounts2013.pdf

or by application to the Hon Secretary (Designate), Peter Chadwick, Wellington, Manchester Road, Sway, LYMINGTON, SO41 6AP.
Email: peter@kievsky.plus.com. Home Tel: 01590 683505
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October 2013

Dear Member

Remembrance Sunday Service, AGM and Annual Dinner

The OR Remembrance Service will be held at 10:45 am on Sunday, 10 November in the School Chapel and conducted by the OR Chaplain, the Reverend David Hemsley. The Reverend David Salt OR will give the address. Refreshments will be available in the Refectory afterwards, for which there will be no charge.

The AGM will take place at 5 pm in the Refectory and, for those present, the AGM business will provide the opportunity to hear from Council Officers on ORA activities and to vote for Members of Council for 2013/14.

The Annual Dinner will follow in Big School and is a great opportunity to meet old friends. For full details and how to book please see page four.

You are warmly invited to all of these events and I do hope that you will be able to join us.

Floreat Redingensis!

[Signature]

Ken Brown
President
NOTICE OF ANNUAL DINNER AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2013 AT READING SCHOOL

PRESIDENT ELECT 2013/14 DAVID COX (1951-56)

This year the Association is again holding its AGM and Annual Dinner at Reading School by kind permission of the Headmaster, Mr A M Robson.

The cost of the Annual Dinner is £36 (or £30 if you are a student in full time education). If you have not already booked, there are two ways you can do so:

1. By completing the application form on page 5
2. By booking and paying for tickets online at http://www.oldredingensians.org.uk/page/annual_dinner
3. By contacting the Social Secretary, Barrie Shelton, direct at Underwood, White Hill, Remenham, HENLEY-ON-THAMES, RG9 3AA (tel: 01491 573431 or email: social@oldredingensians.org.uk).

The Bar will open at 6 pm in the Refectory (table wine can also be ordered in the Refectory and will be delivered to Big School).

Diners are requested to be at table in Big School promptly at 7 pm. As in recent years there will be a small archive display and a continuous slideshow. The writer, historian and broadcaster, Julie Summers, will be the Guest Speaker. Diners will sit at tables of eight, so friends and contemporaries have the opportunity to be together. Dress is lounge suits. The bar will transfer to the 6th form Common Room in West Wing adjacent to Big School and remain open until midnight when the School gates will close to incoming vehicles.

The event this year is restricted to ORs (who need not be members of the Association), Reading School staff and former staff.

Your Council looks forward to greeting you.
Old Redingensians Association Ltd

ANNUAL DINNER

Saturday, 30 NOVEMBER 2013 AT READING SCHOOL

APPLICATION FORM

I wish to book ………. tickets for the Annual Dinner @ £36 / £30 each

Please advise if you require a vegetarian meal……………..

Please indicate if you have any food allergies that need to be taken into consideration

…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

If you are also booking for other members please provide their details/requirements on a separate sheet.

If possible I would like to sit on the same table as

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I ENCLOSE A CHEQUE FOR £ ……. MADE PAYABLE TO THE OR ASSOCIATION LTD

NAME (block letters):………………………………………… Yrs at School:………………..

ADDRESS ……………………………………………………… House: …………………..

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Telephone: ………………………………Email: ………………………………………………………………

Please return the completed form, with cheque, by Monday, 18 November to:-

Barrie Shelton
Underwood
White Hill
Remenham
HENLEY-ON-THAMES
RG9 3HA
Tel: 01491 573431
Email: barshel@talktalk.net
NOTICE OF 125TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2013
AT 5 PM
IN THE REFECTORY, READING SCHOOL, ERLEIGH ROAD, READING,
RG1 5LW
PRESIDENT & CHAIRMAN – KEN BROWN

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence.

2. In Memoriam. Members attending are asked to stand in respect of those ORs who have passed away during the last 12 months.

3. Minutes of the 124th AGM (held on 24 November 2012).

4. Matters Arising out of the Minutes (and not otherwise covered by this Agenda).

5. Annual Reports.

5.1 Officer Holders Written Reports:
   5.1.1 President Ken Brown
   5.1.2 Treasurer Ian Moore *
   5.1.3 Social Secretary Barrie Shelton
   5.1.4 Archivist Ken Brown
   5.1.5 Enterprise Awards 2013 Michael Maule

   *(NB. Re 5.1.2. The report consists of the Income and Expenditure and Balance Sheet details for y/e 30/06/13). (Please also refer to the note on page 8 regarding the time-scale for questions relating to the Financial Statement).

5.2 OR Association Representatives Written Report:
   5.2.1 Reading Foundation and Development Board Rodney Huggins

5.3 Sports Representatives Oral Reports:
   5.3.1 Athletics Mike Evans
   5.3.2 Cricket Mike Evans
   5.3.3 Football Alex Beckey
   5.3.4 Golf Will Lunn
   5.3.5 Rugby Alistair Wrenn
   5.3.6 Rowing Ant Butler
6. **Election of President and Vice President for 2013/14.** At this point in the proceedings, the retiring President Ken Brown will invite the Meeting to vote for David Cox as his successor. Any other nomination for the honour should be communicated to the President before the Meeting so that he can conduct a vote. Depending on the need for, and the result of a vote, the new President is to be invested with the Association’s Insignia of Office. Before taking the Chair, the newly elected President will thank the retiring President for his contribution to the ORA during his period of office and invite the meeting to vote for Mike Evans as Vice President.

7. **Appointment of Office Holders and Election of Members of Council 2013/14.**

The objectives of the Appointments and the Election will be to:-

1. Appoint (or reappoint) the Office Holders
2. Replace those Councillors who are retiring and who are not seeking re-election and fill vacancies caused by Councillors who have been appointed Office Holders of the Association.
3. Appoint (or reappoint) the Auditors

**Proposed for 2014**

1. **Office Holders (Article 41):**
   - President: David Cox
   - Vice President: Mike Evans
   - Immediate Past-President: Ken Brown
   - Honorary Secretary: Peter Chadwick
   - Honorary Treasurer: Ian Moore (Willing to be reappointed)
   - Membership Secretary: Chris Widdows (Willing to be reappointed)
   - Social Secretary: Barrie Shelton (Willing to be reappointed)
   - Archivist: Ken Brown (Willing to be reappointed)
   - Headmaster: Ashley Robson

2. **Nine other Councillors (Article 41):**
   - Ant Butler: to AGM 2015
   - Alex Beckey: to AGM 2013 (willing to be re-elected)
   - Rev David Hemsley: to AGM 2015
   - Martin Parsons: (vice Mike Evans to AGM 2014) (Article 56)
   - Ned Holt: to AGM 2015
   - Haris Hussain: to AGM 2015
   - Francis Pocock: to AGM 2015
   - Arthur Truslove: (vice Peter Chadwick to AGM 2015) (Article 56)
   - Alistair Wrenn: to AGM 2015

**Note for information:** Council intends to separate the offices of President and Chairman this year, so there will be an addition to the list above voted in at the first council meeting of 2014. Martin Parsons is the designated appointee. (Article 46)

3. **Auditors**
   - James Cowper (willing to be reappointed)

**Note:** Rodney Huggins is willing to continue his role as Honorary Solicitor. Ken Brown and Chris Widdows are willing to continue as co-editors of *The Old Redingensian.*
8. **Any Other Business.**
   8.1 Votes of thanks
   8.2 Other
   8.3 Formal closure of AGM 2013

**Please Note**

Tea and coffee will be available in the Refectory from 4.30 pm and the meeting is planned to end by 6 pm to allow sufficient time to prepare for the Annual Dinner.

Under the provision of The Articles of Association, a member unable to attend the Meeting may appoint a proxy, providing the details of the proxy nominee (who must be a paid up member of the Association), are in writing and received by the President at least 48 hours before the appointed time of the Meeting.

*NB* In order to allow the Treasurer to conduct any necessary research etc. Members are asked to give at least three days’ notice (to the President) of any questions they may wish to raise under Agenda Item 5.1.2 concerning the Trustees’ Report and Audited Accounts.
Old Redingensians Association Ltd

Minutes of 124th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Held in the Refectory, Reading School at 5 pm
on Saturday, 24 November 2012

PRESIDENT & CHAIRMAN – MARTIN PARSONS

Twenty six Old Redingensians were in attendance; their names were entered on a register and this is appended to the Secretary’s file copy of these Minutes.

The President opened the Meeting by welcoming everyone and thanking them for their attendance.

1. Apologies for Absence.
The names of nine Members from whom apologies for non-attendance had been received were read out.

2. In Memoriam.
Members were asked to stand while the Membership Secretary read the names and details of 30 ORs who had passed away since last year’s AGM. The list is also appended to the Secretary’s file copy of these Minutes.

3. Minutes of the 123rd AGM (held on 26th November 2011).
The Minutes had been distributed as part of the AGM Package. They were taken as read and accepted as a true record. Proposed by David Hemsley, seconded by Rodney Huggins.

4. Matters Arising out of the Minutes (and not otherwise covered by this Agenda). There were no matters arising which were not covered by the Agenda.

5. Officers’ Annual Reports.

5.1 (Written Reports):
5.1.1 President Martin Parsons
5.1.2 Treasurer Ian Moore
5.1.3 Social Secretary Barrie Shelton
5.1.4 Archivist Ken Brown
5.1.5 Enterprise Awards 2012 Michael Maule

These written Reports had all been distributed as part of the AGM Package and were taken as read. The President invited questions from the floor and also asked the above Officers if they wished to supplement their written Reports with ‘latest information’. The following oral additions were made,

(5.1.1) The President thanked Members of the Council for their support throughout the year and advised that monies had been offered to the Art Department to purchase a 3D scanner.

(5.1.2) The Treasurer, in response to a question on what appeared to be reduced rental income said the explanation was due to an adjustment of over accrual of car parking rental and currently outstanding telephone mast rentals.

(5.1.3) The Social Secretary had nothing to add to his report.

(5.1.4) The Archivist did not wish to add to his report.

(5.1.5) Nothing was added to the Enterprise Awards report.
5.2  (Oral Reports):

(5.2.1) **The Development Board** ORA Representative, Rodney Huggins, detailed the opening of the Refectory by Ross Brawn OR, which completed the first phase of the 1125 Campaign. He advised that the next phase would encompass an upgrade of the science facilities, including a major refurbishment of the technology laboratories to enable Computer Science to be offered as a subject to all students.

(5.2.1) As an ORA representative on the **Reading Foundation** (which he chairs) Rodney Huggins advised that the management of funds had undergone a thorough reassessment and possible conflicts of interest had received careful attention during the year, producing what was considered a healthy and efficient structure. (The two other ORA Representatives on the Foundation are Michael Maule and Patrick Széll.)

5.3  (Sports Representatives Reports)

(5.3.1) **Athletics** Mike Evans advised that Ken Brown had presented the OR medals on Sports Day and referred members to the written report in The Old Redingensian.

(5.3.2) **Cricket** Mike Evans reported that the Saturday of the Summer Festival had seen one of the best OR v School matches (with the ORs reclaiming the Chris Kays Memorial Trophy) and whilst there had been poor weather on the Sunday there had been good competition in the six-a-side tournament. James Berger-North’s team won and were presented with medals and the Cup. Mike Evans also recorded thanks to Ned Holt, now retired from the staff, for his long service to School and OR cricket.

(5.3.3) **Football** David Cox referred members to the football report in The Old Redingensian.

(5.3.4) **Golf** Will Lunn repeated his report that had appeared in The Old Redingensian.

(5.3.5) **Rugby** Alistair Wrenn thanked Alex Beckey, Director of Sport at School, for the organisation of the Rugby 7s Tournament which had been again an outstanding success with over 100 ORs playing or watching.

(5.3.6) **Rowing** Ant Butler was able to report that the School Boat Club was in a good state largely due to the activity of the master i/c rowing, Stephen Longstaff and that the ORs had won the fourth OR v School Boat Race. The School was obtaining new equipment and old was being sold off. In answer to a question from Will Lunn he said that such upgrades may once again enable the School to enter regattas.

6.  **Election of President for 2012/13**

At this point, Martin Parsons made the formal proposal that Ken Brown (KB) should be appointed as President for the year 2012/13. This was seconded by Murray Wildman and carried unanimously. Accepting the chain of office KB said that he would be paying tribute to Martin Parsons in his speech at the Dinner for his most industrious and successful year of office which was reflected in the President’s report included in the AGM package. KB said that the OR Council were a happy team which spoke for itself. He thanked and congratulated Martin Parsons and then invited the members to vote for David Cox as Vice President for the coming year, alluding to his long involvement with Council and particularly his service as a former Hon Secretary. The motion was seconded by David Hemsley and carried unanimously.
7. Appointment of Officers and Election of Members of Council 2012/13 (per Article 41).

The President confirmed that the Meeting was being asked to:

1. Appoint Officers
2. Replace those Councillors who were retiring and not seeking re-election.
3. Fill vacancies caused by members who were originally elected as Councillors but who had subsequently been appointed as Officers of the Association.

The following Members were appointed to office:

Officers:
- President: Ken Brown
- Vice President: David Cox
- Immediate Past-President: Martin Parsons
- Secretary: Beverley Taylor
- Treasurer: Ian Moore
- Membership Secretary: Chris Widdows
- Social Secretary: Barrie Shelton
- Archivist: Ken Brown
- Headmaster: Ashley Robson

Reappointment of Councillors:
The under mentioned were proposed, seconded and unanimously approved en bloc:

- Ant Butler: re-elected until AGM 2015
- Alex Beckey: elected vice David Cox to AGM 2013
- Peter Chadwick: elected until AGM 2015
- Mike Evans: term expires at AGM 2014
- David Hemsley: re-elected until AGM 2015
- Ned Holt: re-elected until AGM 2015
- Haris Hussain: re-elected until AGM 2015
- Francis Pocock: elected until AGM 2015
- Alistair Wrenn: re-elected until AGM 2015

Confirmed Appointments for the year 2012/13
- Rodney Huggins: Honorary Solicitor
- Ken Brown & Chris Widdows: Co-editors of ‘The Old Redingensian’
- James Cowper: Auditors

8. Other Business.
There being no other business the President drew the meeting to a close at 6:10 pm and invited Members to visit the Kirkwood Room and asked those attending the Dinner in Big School to be at table by 7 pm.

Ken Brown and Martin Parsons
24 November 2012
Your Council’s work in fulfilling its objectives to deliver aid to the School has been doubly pleasurable in 2013 because of the obvious spirit amongst the Staff and the School community, in this first year of Mr Robson’s Headmastership. My lot has been eased by the positive and co-operative attitude of Council Members, amongst whom I particularly thank the office holders: an experienced team who give generously of their time and have much knowledge for a president to draw upon.

Two ex-officio Council Members have continued to be invaluable to the Association, both of them former Presidents. Rodney Huggins, so involved in many aspects of the School’s organisation, continues as our Honorary Solicitor. Michael Maule has organised the Association’s flagship ‘Enterprise Awards’ for a decade with consummate efficiency and, as he hands over the reins for 2014, deserves our heartfelt thanks and admiration for his efforts.

At the beginning of the year I wrote about my wish to see new and younger blood on Council. We expect to start next year having doubled the number of elected/co-opted Councillors under the age of 25 and with the prospect of more to come. To them is also entrusted the increasingly successful promotion of our Association through social networking sites which should help to abort the old syndrome of ORs dropping out of sight during the years of marriage, family, and career building.

The AGM Minutes will reflect the continuing support that your Association gives to sporting activities. The Old Redingensian reports, in addition, those many other events which serve to bring us all together and maintain the ethos common to ORs.

The Annual Accounts reveal the amount of hard cash expended by the Association for the use of the School and its pupils through the various events mounted and schemes supported, old and new. Next year, in the latter category, we are very pleased to be part of the Royal College of Organists’ 150th Year Celebrations and we will be staging one of their ‘150 for 150’ concerts in the School Chapel in April.

I am personally proud of the Kirkwood Room, and in my Archivist’s Report I provide an update. Here I want to thank Chris Widdows for his unflagging enthusiasm in building the electronic archive and Bob Coombs for the hours spent in scanning material and his analytical eye for method. Between us all we are determined to ensure that the School’s history and heritage is both properly preserved and presented for future generations.

Frances Greaney, Director of Development at School, is becoming known to many ORs and they surely appreciate her cheerful efficiency and keen interest in their concerns as much as we do on Council.

David Cox, President Elect, will have the support of an unchanged Executive (Martin Parsons, as Chairman of Council Elect, will remain and I become immediate Past President in his place). Peter Chadwick will join us in the re-instated traditional role of Hon Secretary. He replaces, and augments Beverley Taylor’s secretarial role, which she has had to relinquish for domestic reasons. Our best wishes are with her.

Floreat Redingensis!
Ken Brown
# Old Redingensians Association Ltd

(Trustees Report and Audited Accounts see note on page 1)

## OLD REDINGENSANS ASSOCIATION

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

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All activities relate to continuing operations.

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.
# Old Redingensians Association Ltd

(Trustees Report and Audited Accounts see note on page 1)

## OLD REDINGENSANS ASSOCIATION
REGISTERED NUMBER: 00493764

**BALANCE SHEET**
**AS AT 30 JUNE 2013**

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The Trustees consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") and members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act. However, an audit is required in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 24 September 2013 and were signed on its behalf by:

K Brown

D Cox

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these financial statements.
Old Redingensians Association Ltd

SOCIAL SECRETARY’S REPORT

Annual Dinner 24 November 2012

The occasion can be said to have been as enjoyable as the previous year. Some speeches were perhaps on the lengthy side, reducing the time for mixing after the formalities. This has been looked at for this year and attention is being made to "control" the length the after dinner speeches and presentations so as to allow more time for socialising. The Bar, in Big School again, will this year be open until midnight. David Cox is pursuing the possibility of a background musical interlude by School musicians at some time during the evening.

The Bar was run for the first time ‘in-house’ and produced a modest but useful profit. Bookings of 89 and an actual attendance of 87 represented the best figures for several years. The percentage of PayPal payments was 46% and cheques/cash 54%. A small loss of £3.28 was recorded.

This table shows the attendance figures for the previous eight years:

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Thanks are due to Rodney Huggins, Ant Butler, Frances Greaney and Chris Widdows for their help in various aspects of the evening and making it so successful.

Cricket/Festival weekend 29/30 June 2013

A weekend of two halves

Saturday, the OR XI v School 1st XI, plus a proposed 20-years-on Reunion - despite the valiant work by Frances Greaney, the reunion did not materialise. This day still remains a problem in developing a function that will attract members and visitors. Preliminary discussions are to be made with the Parents Association to see if there may be any possibilities in that direction.

Sunday, the Six-a-side Knock-out competition - despite a lower spectator attendance than previous years, this again proved to be a success. Mike Evans is to be thanked for his organisation of the playing side and Frances Greaney for all her help in the background. The experiment of running the Bar ourselves showed promise as a small profit was made.

However, the cost of the Marquee hire, which forms the major cost of the weekend, was discussed at the last Executive Meeting and decided this was no longer sustainable. For next year different arrangements were discussed, such as the purchase a second gazebo and the possibility of moving the focus of the “social” area to the pavilion side of the field. This will be developed in future meetings.

Additional Summer Event for 2014

The format and venue for an event which would allow wives, partners, and girlfriends to attend has been discussed over the last year or so by the Executive Committee. At present a picnic or a theatre visit is being considered and venues around Reading investigated. It is hoped to have a definite arrangement in place by the spring.

Barrie Shelton
ARCHIVIST’S REPORT

During the year the Kirkwood Room has been further enhanced by the installation of projection facilities on the west wall. These consist of a short throw projector, a whiteboard and sound system, which the Association has financed for the use of the School – and to show the Archive’s growing collection of School related visual material.

The planned frieze around the upper walls has not yet been realised and I shall pursue this with the Design and Print Studio of Reading University. 2014 will also see intense activity to label exhibits, conclude the index and post it online.

In my President’s report I paid tribute to Chris Widdows and Bob Coombs for their continuing efforts to bring the electronic archive into being: Chris amassing and ordering photographic records and Bob tirelessly scanning all those items – School Magazines, group photos, etc. – that so many of us fondly remember. With the co-operation of the Town Library (new local Studies Librarian Anne Smith has been most helpful) we are working towards posting online the Reading School Magazine from its earliest incarnation in the 1870s to its unnecessary demise at the turn of the century.

Enquiries from the public at large continue to regularly arrive; either directly to the Archivist or via the School. These are often rewarding, but sometimes frustrating if they call for more time for investigation than can easily be found. One interesting example this year came from two different directions. It concerned the naval architect – Reading born - of the motor yacht ‘SERAN’. That is ‘NARES’ spelt backwards: Owen Nares, of course, being the famous OR Actor Manager commemorated on a ‘Tea Tray’ in Big School.

As for ‘Tea Trays’ I hope that members will be interested in the additional plaques to be seen in Big School. £100 will sponsor a plaque and some remain unsponsored at present. I hope that those attending the Dinner will also enjoy the static archive display and the slideshow in Big School.

Finally, the Archive is still faced with a major storage problem which we hope can be resolved with the School, to enable space for those remaining items which, after the cessation of the Lok’nStore facilities need to be returned to School. We seek storage, preferable adjacent to the Kirkwood Room, where we can also realise the Association’s objective of providing a workstation for use by student curators supervised by teaching staff.

Ken Brown
This year’s report includes extracts from a six year review of the Enterprise Awards Scheme.

**Year 2008**

16 applications resulted in a total of six major awards and 75% of applications were rated AA or A standard. Total awarded £5,000. Additional funding was provided for School expeditions to Costa Rica and Mongolia.

**Year 2009**

19 applications resulted in a total of five major awards and 63% of applications were rated AA or A standard. Total awarded £5,000. Additional funding was provided for School expeditions to the Himalayas and Morocco.

**Year 2010**

20 applications resulted in a total of six major awards and 79% of applications were rated AA or A standard. Total awarded £5,400. Additional funding for School expeditions for future years to be considered as a separate entity.

**Year 2011**

14 applications resulted in a total of four major awards and 31% of applications were rated AA or A standard. Total awarded £3,250. Additional funding for School expeditions for future years to be considered as a separate entity. The decline in applications prompted a review.

**YEAR 2012**

This year there was a revised assessment criteria and 34 applications resulted in one major award of £500 with 12% of applications rated AA or A standard. Total awarded £4,105. Additional funding was provided for a School expedition to Tanzania.

**YEAR 2013**

This year there were 33 applications spread over every year group in the School and one major award of £500 was made (Chris Mountain Year 12 for a volunteer project in Uganda). 40% of applications were rated AA or A Standard. Total awarded £5,195. Amongst the award winners were Roy Zhang of year 11 who competed in the U16 International Chess Olympics in China. Joseph Grimmett (Year 10) competing in the National Geographic World Championships in St Petersburg. Edward Clennett (Year 11) competing the International Geography Olympiad in Japan, Joseph South-Klein and Aleksandr Stepanyan taking part, for the English Speaking Union, in the World Individual Debating & Public Speaking Championships in South Africa and Laurence Bashford (Year 12) who appeared for the National Youth Music Theatre.

Other awards were made for computer projects, including website design, participation in an international jazz festival, film production, summer schools and language courses, charity undertakings and sporting endeavours.

I have now handed over the OR administration of the scheme to Haris Hussain, working closely with Martin Parsons (with Frances Greaney continuing her liaison role between the ORA and School). I would also like to thank Headmaster Ashley Robson for his enthusiastic support.

Michael Maule
Again, a busy year. Perhaps I should explain how its Trustees are appointed. There are three groups appointing three Trustees each, namely the School Governors, the Parents’ Association and the ORA. The Trustees are drawn from a wide range of backgrounds in education, professional life and welfare matters relevant to the running and future benefit of the School. Your nominees are Michael Maule, Patrick Széll and myself. In addition there are several co-opted Trustees.

Michael and Patrick have been working on a sub-committee looking at Awards. We have an excess of income of some £20,000 per year and the Foundation will be considering shortly how its current awards to pupils and staff can be considerably extended. Up to now, grants were made to enable staff to lead school trips and to assist with student travel costs. The Foundation has always met the cost of the annual prizes awarded to pupils.

The School’s redesignation as an Academy has resulted in a formal legislation of the Foundation being landlords of the Reading School site and leasing the majority to the Academy for a period of 125 years at a peppercorn rent. Those buildings wholly or partially used for residential accommodation are covered under a separate 20-year lease. In their capacity as landlords, Trustees commissioned a full and complete survey of the buildings on the site in 2011. This was presented to the School in May 2011. The Report highlighted urgent repair work to be completed within 12 months with additional works to be completed within five years. The School used a Government Grant of £190,000 to effect some of the urgent repairs to the roofs. In order to give further assistance to fund maintenance of the fabric of the School, Trustees, during the year, funded the full cost (€45,350) for repair of part of the Physics Laboratories affected by dry rot and pledged to cover the full cost of repair to the Signals Loft roof estimated at £50,000. In addition, it agreed to fund the conversion of disused buildings adjacent to South House into a Medical Centre up to £45,000. Trustees reaffirmed they are committed to paying for future repairs to the boundary wall adjacent to the Chapel, estimated cost at least £50,000. The re-surfacing of the terrace and other areas is currently being considered.

Financial Review

The Foundation’s income consisted of interest on fixed and other interest deposits and dividends from shares. The performance of the stock market and the acquisition/sale of shares represent the greatest identified risk to the Charity’s wellbeing. As part of the detailed written financial report presented to the Trustees, the performance of the investment portfolio, covering both capital appreciation and the investment yields, is monitored by the Finance Committee who report to the Council. At the Annual General meeting last year, Trustees agreed to adopt the Finance Committee’s recommendation that the role of Brewin Dolphin as Investment Managers should be terminated and CCLA be appointed in their stead. Basically, a fundamental change has occurred in that in future the financial assets are invested in a basket of funds rather than a portfolio of individual shares. The transfer was completed by 31 July 2013. The portfolio investment yields for the year ended 31 July 2013 was therefore influenced by this transfer. Notwithstanding, the capital appreciation of each of the three Funds is as follows: the Award Fund 4.2%, the BEM Young bequest 5.3% and School Charity Fund 5.9%. When the Total Return Policy was implemented, the Trustees agreed to maintain the investment element of the Fund (defined as the value of the fund at 4 July 1994) by reference to the retail prices index and this value is reported at each meeting. The total of the Foundation’s financial assets is approximately £3.5 million.

THE READING SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT BOARD

The Board is a group set up by the Governors, comprising one member from each of the Board of Governors, the Foundation, the ORA together with a Development administrator, with the Headmaster and the Chairman of the Board of Governors ex officio, has met at monthly intervals during school term-time. Matters concerning proposed new buildings on the site together with issues relating to Fund Raising were discussed. The Reading Foundation representative, currently myself, reported decisions back to the Trustees.

The main project during the year has been the construction of a new Computer science unit in the Page Building. About to take place is the renovation of the lecture theatre to be followed by a second phase of conversion of the old wood/metal work building. The cost of approximately £500K has been met mainly by a government grant. Currently, plans are being drawn up for a new chemistry laboratory and a sports hall. The renovation of the Morgan Road playing field with the construction of a sports pavilion is actively being pursued.

Finally, I would mention that the 1125 Fund has now been transferred completely from the Foundation to the School. As I said last year, donations are still needed urgently to help pay for the costs of acquiring planning permissions and providing a base from which to give support to government and outside sources funding. If any OR can help in this connection it will be much appreciated. The School building programme is in a transient stage and needs as much support as possible.

Rodney Huggins
Chairman of the Trustees of the Reading Foundation and School Governor