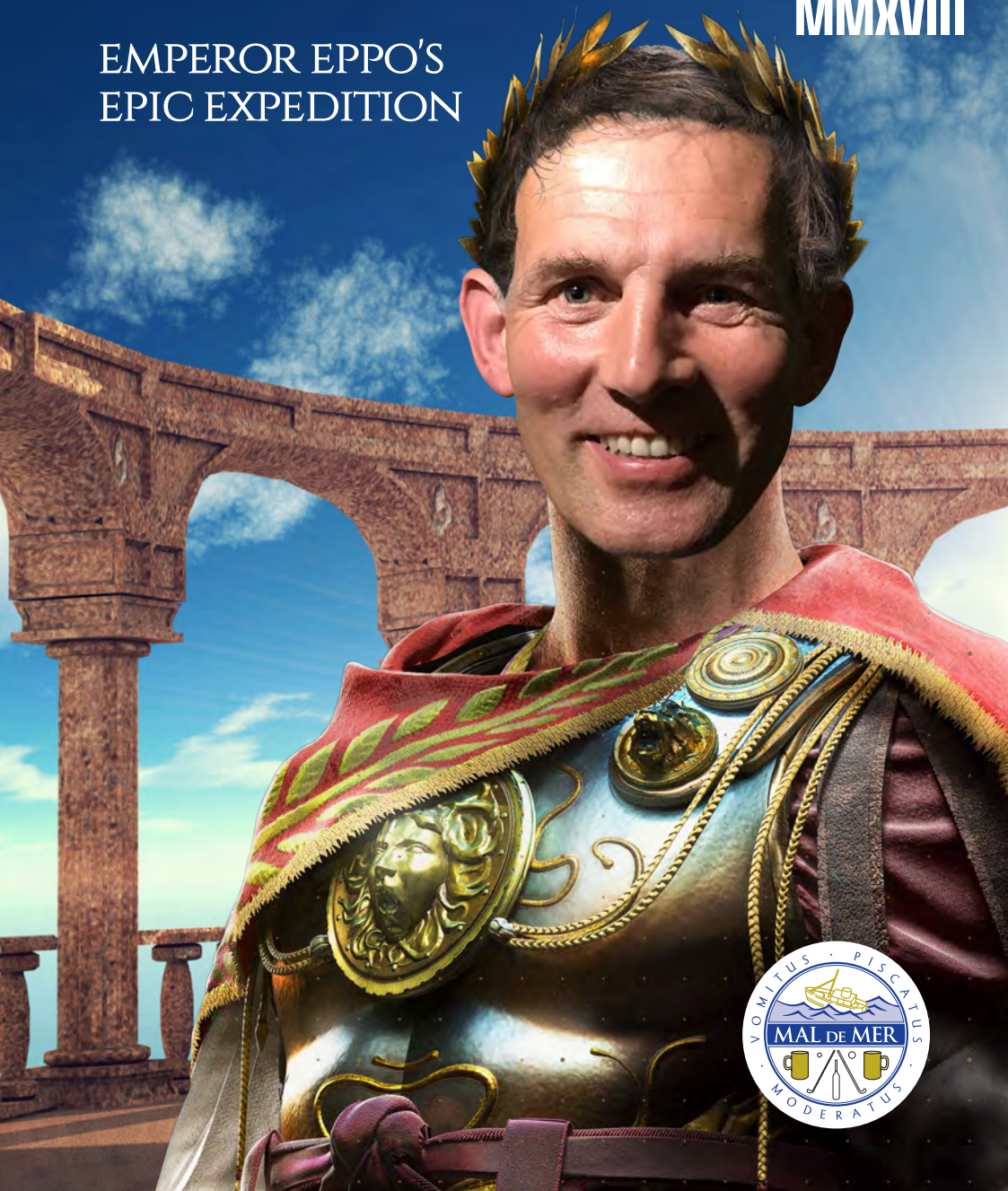


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Editor's Note:

Many thanks to all those who helped contribute to this brochure. You know who you are! It is very much appreciated – plus a special mention to John Haywood at Optichrome who have very kindly printed the brochure for the umpteenth year.



PRESIDENT

DAVID EPTON

Wednesday 26 September – Tuesday 2 October 2018

PRESIDENT

David Epton

PAST PRESIDENTS

1934-37	E. H. Maddocks	Sir Harry	1985	R. Fox	Bob
1937-45	C. S. Asbury	Archbishop	1986	K. R. Bound	Roy the Golf
1946-47	E. P. Morgan	Perry	1987	A. R. Gibbs	Roy
1948	A. T. Rouse	Bomber	1988	J. D. Ashby	Canon
1949	G. C. Willis	Geoff	1989	J. Gray	Jimmy
1950	F. W. Ross	Goldfish	1990	V. Woodfield	Tiger
1951	F. J. Spence	Spindle	1991	G. F. Nabb	Gordon
1952	W. J. Jones	Bioscopic Bill	1992	R. Cutts	Reg
1953	W. Gough	Archdeacon	1993	A. Upson	Andy
1954	T. L. Clarke	Nobby	1994	A. Smith	Andy
1955	J. H. Jones	Gentleman Jack	1995	E. Gladden	Eddie
1956	H. N. Parnell	Handsome Harry	1996	S. Marlow	Steve
1957	T. L. Fraser	Alderman	1997	P. Simmonds	Simmo
1958	G. E. S. Twist	Lord George	1998	B. Barrett	Bernie
1959	J. M. Stotter	Cupid	1999	R. Farr	Ray
1960	W. H. Goold	Uncle Jimmy	2000	M. Gibbs	Martin
1961	E. T. Willetts	Daylight	2001	G. Snell	Geoff
1962	R. C. Devis	Vicar of Mirth	2002	S. Greiner	Simon
1963	E. W. Weatherhead	The Burgher	2003	A. Farr	Anthony
1964	Mac Smith	Prebendary	2004	J. Chadwick	Chaddy
1965	J. D. Ashby	Canon	2005	G. Izzard	Graham
1966	F. B. Beard	Commodore	2006	D. Nottingham	Notty
1967	R. E. Jones	Turpin	2007	S. Galloway	Squirty
1968	N. F. Kendall	Professor	2008	A. Guest	Alan
1969	L. S. Richards	Major General	2009	D. Martin	David
1970	P. V. Hope	Paddy	2010	P. Calfe	Calfey
1971	C. W. Phillips	Chips	2011	S. Dann	Stevie
1972	L. J. Shaw	Beau	2012	A. Clay	Andy
1973	P. A. Kavanagh	Caesar	2013	A. Polhill	Al
1974	A. V. Brackston	Brack	2014	H. Marsland	Haroldinho
1975	R. A. Flanagan	Dancing Master	2015	J. Davidge	Gadget
1976	M. M. Martin	Jet	2016	S. Ward	Wardy
1977	L. J. Hains	Jerk	2017	J. Pooley	Poolos
1978	D. J. Walsh	Dave			
1979	J. Nicholas	Doc			
1980	B. A. Guest	Ben Gurion			
1981	A. Robinson	Tony			
1982	G. E. S. Twist	Lord George			
1983	B. E. Pooley	Sailor			
1984	D. Hawley	Dudley			

ORGANIZATOR **J. Chadwick**
DIRECTOR GENERAL **M. Gibbs**

AUDITOR **R. Farr**
TREASURER **S. Galloway**

Origins

For the benefit of new boys and others who read this brochure for the first time, a short history of the origins, aims and objectives of the Mal de Mer Club will provide a useful grounding for the forthcoming trip.

In the early 1930s, W. H. Goold (Uncle Jimmy) was working in Plymouth as a Branch Manager for an Insurance Company. On one of his trips to Scilly he got into conversation with certain of the Island's sportsmen and the subject of sport on the Islands was the topic for discussion. Opportunities for playing competitive sport on the Islands were limited so Uncle Jimmy offered to bring over a team of sportsmen who would play the Islanders at whatever game they chose.



Our founder, Uncle Jimmy

In September 1932 the first party arrived and, with the exception of the war years, has been coming ever since. Uncle Jimmy died in 1977 but the Island sportsmen from those early days remain very dear friends.

The objectives set by Uncle Jimmy from the first trip remain clear today – to encourage and foster sport and sportsmanship both on and off the field and particularly, in the Isles of Scilly, to encourage good fellowship with the Islanders, good feeling in its membership and a willingness to have a go when called upon.

A word of warning to new members, the Mal de Mer Club is not a democratic organisation, it is a benevolent junta comprising the President, Organizer and Director General with the opinions of the Treasurer thrown in for good measure. Do not question its authority, we have lost too many good men at sea!

Qualifications for Membership

- Proposed by a member, approval of the Organizer, Director General and President
- A second invitation to join the Mals
- Possession of a good sense of humour
- Respect for the D.G.'s commands
- Ability to hold upright all you consume
- Ability to play any three of the following games or sports:
 - Football, Cricket, Golf, Tennis, Softball, 5-a-side football, Basketball, Snooker, Badminton, Pool, Gig Racing, Clay pigeon shooting, Darts, Volleyball, Table Tennis, Beach Volleyball, Hockey, Archery, Beach Football, Bowls, Rifle shooting, Sailing, Quiz answering
- The further ability to play any one well earns you a bonus point, the admiration of your fellow Mals and a place at the top table

Mission Statement

A Mission Statement from your President-Elect

Fratres,

I'm writing this at a time of sadness for the Mals, with the passing away of a great and gentle man by the name of Ben Guest.

As the former DG on my first trip in 2006, Ben made a huge impression both in kindness and in the firm but fair standards set by the Mals hierarchy.

My thanks go to the current DG who, as my sponsor, spent three years trying to prize me out of the hectic farming calendar (apart from filling in the holiday voucher form in April). Luckily we have thrown that calendar away and it's been great to be able to honour his invitation ever since.



*I want to break free. Yes
Dave, and don't we know it.*

Not being in the first flush of youth, I was wary of the athletic prowess needed. This was further enhanced by the words of a soothsayer in a Penzance tavern, by the name of Tamsyn, who flatly announced that I was "too old". The omens weren't good. My fellow new recruits were Rudi Feitsma, David 'Shovel' and Alistair Hick, and we were all going to be part of the year of the Notty.

Notably, there was no such a thing as a mission statement back then. Notty didn't need one. He appeared to be the total universal soldier. Rousing spirits on and off the field. The perfect head boy, totalitarian authority with the bell at meal times. I knew we had landed in a very unique place with some very unique people! So, my two benchmarks are my first year and the year just gone, both led by highly motivated and motivating Mals.

The current President, Jamie Pooley, was instrumental in making my first year so much fun. As outgoing President, he has also made it quite a year to follow. He has the drive and compassion to both lead and compete to a high level on the field, and he also leads off the field with that great sense of fun and inclusiveness that makes the Mals so special.

Jamie did suggest that I had started a mission statement by my recruitment attempt on Facebook, when I suggested many wouldn't turn up if it became a St Trinian's trip (I should know better...) So yes, it may not be a drag year but don't let that put you on a sure footing! Rescued by the Roman theme, I believe there still may be men in skirts...



There were some notable victories last year that will need to be held on to. Surely a returning Clive Mumford won't be allowed to recover from that crushing defeat for the quiz sweet jar challenge bowl? And with their beach defences over run last year, Russ Hutchins and Martyn Songhurst can't be allowed to win back the beach football and beach volleyball. Plus whilst key hockey players may have fled the Isles, will Selená's absence mean new captain Sarah Jenkins starts recruiting mercenaries in her attempt to prevent us from another victory?

Recent results are proof that we can succeed in some difficult arena's. Even the barbaric site of the golf club may turn out a surprise victory one day... even if turns out to be in the bowls match!

New boys be sure to study this brochure carefully. Remember we will all do much better if we stick together. Listen closely to the elder Mals, you will learn a lot from some, albeit you'll be totally confused by others. Remember to respect the Islanders on and off the field. Their hospitality is legion (Mermaid) and remember you will hopefully be coming back again and again and again – first impressions can only be made once.

Elder Mals. Never rest on your laurels (even if short on bedding). Keep making a difference both on and off the field. The singing and bar renditions are as much to be encouraged as the desire to win on the field. Support your fellow Mals both on the field and back from stargazing after closing time.

Good fortune and good fun.

Bibimus Videmus Vincimus Venimus

DAVE EPTON

President Elect 2018



Something of an over-reaction when hearing your golf partner is Paul Calfe.

Golf

It has long been decreed that all who are able to walk must play golf each morning. Sadly, this rule is not now enforceable.

Those Mals whose state of health is such that the prospect of a walk round the Golf Course will seriously endanger their health will be excused and should report to the Director General who will seek a second opinion from our expert medical team.

Goofers are those handicapped 28 and are identified as such on the list opposite.

There are particular rules for Goofers:

- Do not pick up lost balls until they have stopped rolling;
- Goofers having lost or destroyed two balls at any one hole must desist from further punishment at that hole and enter ten on their card;
- Ten is the maximum score for Goofers at any hole in any competition;
- When Goofers play with golfers they must desist from coarse language should the golfer hit a bad shot. Retribution should be extracted in the bar;
- Dislodged turf should be replaced (except on the tee);
- Do not eat the blackberries behind the sixth tee and if you do find yourself there, check carefully where you step ...!

PLEASE NOTE:
The Golf Organizer will decide on the format for morning golf; and if prompted may even share that with us at breakfast.

Golf Results

GOLF ON THE 2017 TRIP		
	TEXAS SCRAMBLE	J. Davidge, R. Epton, S. Lighting
GOOFERS:	MORGAN MUG	P. Nelstrop
	NOSWORTHY NOGGIN	J. Ward
GOLFERS:	PERRY POT	A. Polhill
	BISHOP'S BEAKER	J. Pooley
	GEORGE TWIST TANKARDS	J. Pooley, D. Martin
	BEST GROSS	A. Bryant

Golf Handicaps

GOLFERS	HANDICAP
Keith Williams	5
Paul Simmonds	10
Andy Smith	10
Jamie Pooley	15
Alex Polhill	15
Martin Gibbs	16
Joss Davidge	18
Jeremy Chadwick	18
Eddie Gladden	20
Shaun Galloway	20
Ben Jakes	20
Wilf Feely	20
Roy Bound	21
Ray Farr	22
Alistair Hick	22
Guy Simmons	22
Dave Nottingham	24
Rob Epton	26
Alan Guest	26
Jim Ward	26

NOTE:

The handicaps above are indicative only, being a combination of previously noted figures and those advised on this years' reply slips. If yours differs from that above, please advise the Golf Organizer at the earliest opportunity - **especially if you are on the cusp of Golfer or Goofers**.

PLEASE NOTE:

To be included in the competition, cards must be completed, signed and handed to the Golf Organizer, Alex by no later than 4.00pm the same afternoon.

GOOFERS	HANDICAP
Paul Calfe	28
Dave Epton	28
Pete Nelstrop	28
Stewart Ward	28
Dave Truby	28
Harry Marsland	28
Steve Pickard	28
Tom Elsbury	28
Charlie Applewhite	28
Will Cooke	28

PRESIDENT'S ENDEAVOUR TROPHY



This fine crystal beauty is the **President's Endeavour Trophy** and it is awarded to the Mal who has *taken part* in the most events over the trip.

2017 WINNER:
Tim Kneen

President's Golf Day

ROBINSON RECEPTACLE		
WINNER	Jim Ward (countback)	37 pts
SECOND	Dave Martin (countback)	37 pts
THIRD	Adam Bryant	37 pts
NEAREST THE PIN	Dave Dallaway (2nd) Dave Dallaway (9th) Wilf Feely (17th)	
NEAREST THE PIN IN 3	Paul Williams (7th)	



Winner Jim Ward receives the trophy.



Our incoming President manages to hack-out a ball wedged 2ft high in a gorse-bush – you can't coach that.



Two unknown infiltrators unfortunately spoil the evening for everyone by drinking heavily, swearing loudly and winning the Future Fund lottery draw.

A REPORT BY THE GOLF ORGANIZATOR

Friday 4 May

It was suggested that Ray Farr should hire an aircraft to take all the Mals off to Bermuda for our 2018 Golf Day, for some reason he declined, although not very politely!

I must say that Ray did manage to get a very good deal, so it was a return to Sutton Coldfield Golf Club. 28 Mals for the golf plus Geoff Snell as Chauffeur/Caddy to Mr Farr. Good to see the return of Matt (2 bags) Hughes and Richard (big dick) Flowers, we could do with you two on the trip for the cricket team. We were joined in the evening for the meal and prizegiving by the Mals who couldn't join us for the golf: Andy Smith, Roy Bound, Harry Marsland and Geoff Snell.

Some really good scores topped the field, and as 3 Mals had 37 points, it was decided on countback over the back 9. Our thanks to the President who most generously supplied all the prizes this year. Even the Golf Organiser excelled himself this year and the trophy was awarded to the correct winner! (make the most of it though, it may not happen again).

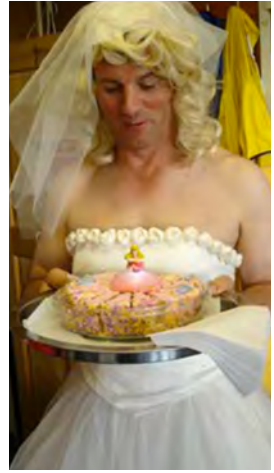
I am sure that we are all looking forward to our new President's Golf Day and understand that he has been ploughing up a few fields in readiness for the event.

President

A Profile of our President : DAVID EPTON

There won't be a dry eye in the house when our perennial bridesmaid is finally taken up the aisle and becomes our bride.

First arriving on the scene in 2006 as alter-ego Tamsin, Eppo has fulfilled the role of Mal de Mer to perfection. An outstandingly talented sharp-shooter (to the cry of 'get off my land!') hockeyist and arm-wrestler, this true Mal has been (and doubtless this year will still be) a willing and robust competitor in so many sports, ably bringing his rugby skills to the football field and basketball court alike.



Eppo is equally fearless in the air, piloting his own plane over St Mary's Golf Course through a hailstorm of wayward drives. (Rumour has it the Lincolnshire Massive are buying a helicopter – guess who will be flying it in!)

As our leader, we look forward to a most un-Mal-like pastoral (perhaps even motherly) presidency: David has demonstrated his nurturing instincts in bringing his shy and socially-awkward baby brother on the trip.

So, as he makes his vows to the Mals and we celebrate our diversity, please be aware that if you would like to see the ring, it's bookings only, via Room 2.

And whoever catches his bouquet will surely be following an immaculately conceived and delivered Presidency!



Any caption here would likely have offended the President or the incoming President (or both) so please make up your own mind what they are doing...

REMEMBER

- On the Islands, obey the commands of your President, when he rings the bell he wants your attention immediately.
- Eat or converse at the table. Reading a newspaper, looking at a mobile phone or being late for meals will earn a stern rebuke from your President and a fine.
- The President will not be able to allow those who wish to smoke to do so due to the smoking ban.
- Stick to the programme, being together, staying with the party makes the trip a happy one.
- If you have any complaint ask of the Organizer's permission to speak to the Director General on the matter.
- Morning surgeries are a regular feature for those feeling unwell, you may find the cure worse than the complaint.

2017 AGM

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on St. Mary's – 2 October 2017

Present Hierarchy

Apologies N/A

Election of officers

PRESIDENT Jamie Pooley was elected President and duly flushed in.

DG Martin Gibbs was re-elected.

ORGANIZATOR Jeremy Chadwick was re-elected.

TREASURER Shaun Galloway was re-elected.

AUDITOR Ray Farr was re-elected.

PRESIDENT ELECT Dave Epton.

Treasurer's Report

We made a nice little profit last year, thanks to 2 things:

1. High numbers on the trip, well done to President Pooley.
2. A healthy contribution on clothing (thanks to Ray Farr and the DG's Sports Direct franchise).

We also managed to subsidise record numbers of new boys to keep our club's lifeblood flowing. So thanks are also due to Roy Bound and to his successor Joss Davidge.

Like all good Marketing ideas the plan is to change nothing but do a shiny rebrand, so the 100 Club has been retired and is now the Future Fund.

So let's all keep the trip numbers high, the sales of Mals branded high quality apparel buoyant and buy those shiny new Future Fund tickets.

New Boys on the trip

Adam Bryant, Tim Kneen, Calum Windeatt, Oliver Gray, Jack Everton, Dave Truby, Keith Cartwright.

New member flushed in

Jim Ward.

Organizator's Report

Once again we have managed to creep over the 30 mark numbers-wise, which whilst admirable, the closer we can get to 40 (in numbers on trip, not age! - although come to think of it...) and the more 'younger' New Boys we can invite, then the stronger our likely sporting performances and results.

We will surely all know a potential candidate or two, so please sell them the trip and bring them along next year.

There being no further business, the meeting closed.

2017 Report

Life's a Beach

It's always nice to meet up at Land's End airport before we depart via Penzance to the Isles of Scilly. Inclement weather for the second year in a row, meant it was all aboard the 'Hellship' for an island cruise. Gusty winds and rain weren't going to keep the Mal's from reaching their destination, nor did it stop them reaching for their breakfasts, in what was one of the worse crossings for a few years.

Planning is the essence of the Trip, and with this in mind Dave Epton, Officer of the Day extraordinaire, second guessed the weather and not only organised the 'sweep', but had the sweep tickets laminated to survive the crossing!

Our illustrious President, Stewart Ward, an outsider at 41/1, lasted 37 minutes into the cruise before yielding his cheese and ham toastie. Many more Mal's followed and two and a half hours later everyone was grateful to be on dry land at St. Mary's quay.

Tregarthen's welcomed us with their usual enthusiasm and a big thank you to the baggage masters especially Mark Rhode who were more than 'sub-optimal.'

The weather continued to do it's worst, resulting in the first leg of the tennis being cancelled. Down at the school, **table tennis** was in full swing with all the new boys joining in. The Mals recorded their first **victory 18.5-7.5** closely followed by **2-0 victory** in the **volleyball**; just the start we needed. **Basketball** proved slightly more difficult and a close match unfortunately led to our first defeat, narrowly **losing 8-10**.



"Could somebody please fetch me a beer quick, I suspect I'll be needing it!"



Beer cooler repairs.

The buzz of the first night dinner is always the signal that you are on the 'Trip' once more. Outgoing President Ward passed his balls on to Jamie Pooley, who was duly flushed in. Jim Ward the only returning New Boy from 2016 was also flushed in. Sponsors introduced their New Boys. Jimmy Gray, President in 1989, introduced us to two of his grandsons and also his granddaughter's partner; great effort Jimmy! Dave Dallaway, Dave Windeatt, Ray Farr and Joss Davidge also introduced us to their New Boys. Our new President then stated his aims, fined a few of the attendees and before you knew it, it was time for a warm beer in the bar! Several songs were sung, several sherries sunk, and then it was time for bed.



Goalmouth action in front of a capacity crowd.



Well played Mals!



The Maligator.

A blustery overcast day saw 39 Mals tee off for the Perry Pot and Morgan Mug. The President hit a ferocious drive... 246 paces! **Les Dos Bandidos, Alex Polhill** and **Pistol Pete Nelstrop** won the **Perry Pot** and **Morgan Mug** disreputably! Alex is getting quite a collection of trophies on the mainland – will we ever see them again?

A beautiful afternoon beckoned us to Porthmellion beach. First up, **beach football**. Paul Calfe not only selected the correct kit, but a very strong squad. Superior fitness and skill resulted in the **Mals retaining the trophy 7-1**.

Time for a swim. Global warming, alcohol at lunch, and a calm sea led to a flock of large Mals taking to the briney and despite the attentions of a Great White Epton, most got their knees wet!

The mystery event was no longer a mystery, and several teams, bucket and spades in hand, revealed their artistic side. **The Flotsam 5** – Calum Windeatt, Steve Dann, Shaun Galloway and Mark Rohde ably led by the Organisator **won with a 'Maligator'**, loosely based on last years President.

Enough of this inter-Mal nonsense, let's have some more combat against the Islanders! **Beach volleyball**, captained by Sam Lighting kept the Mals on track with a fine **2-0 victory**. One more sport and it's home for warm beer and medals. A 1-4 defeat in the **hockey** last year for the Mals was very painful, so a strong squad proved too much for the Islanders this year and a **13-3 victory** was very sweet. A lead of 5 matches to 1 nearing the end of day two, what more could the President ask? Well, he asked for 7 matches to 1, with the Scillonian evening beckoning us. Unfortunately it was not to be, but 6-2 was still a good excuse for a singsong back at the hotel. Well done the **pool team (5-3)** and hard luck the **darts team (2-8)**.



Well played again Mals!



Attack, attack, attack!

Friday morning was again overcast, and a quick buffet breakfast led to the Golf Organisator explaining in great detail, the format of the morning's golf. An American foursome for the **George Twist Tankard(s)**. The Golf Organisator also explained why we were only playing for one of the Tankards! **The President** still on a roll from goal hanging at the hockey **won with David Martin**, closely followed by Andy Smith and David Epton.

Blue ribbon event time again, the **Golf Match**. The captains had agreed on seven pairs per team, and the President had promised to re-instate caddies. Caddy captain Stewart Ward didn't take long to revert to his usual compliant self by resigning! Some cock and bull story about somebody interfering with Eddie Gladden... If every captain resigned every time someone interfered with Eddie, the trip would fall apart! A very competitive match unfortunately saw the **Mal's lose 2.5-4.5**. Thanks to all the caddies, it wasn't that tough was it?

Admiral Snell's **bowls** boys also had a tough match going **down 1.5-2.5**. Unlucky lads.



The auditions for Baywatch drew rather a disappointing turn-out...

At dinner the President girded his loins along with several others, just to keep us in the 'zone!' Another busy evening, **rifle shooting**, **archery**, **badminton** and **snooker**. How do we fit any drinking in? Despite having the 'Epton Gang', 'Buffalo Sam Lighting' and 'Hoss Cartwright' the result was **no bonanza**! Roy 'Out of' Bounds lived up to his name, and despite wearing his sniper glasses managed to win the 'Barn Door Conservation award'! Well-done Keith, a great score for a first-timer. Unfortunately, due to Roy insisting that everyone use his glasses, the archery was called off.



Adam adopts the brace position so his marker can find and recover his boot.



So close... how the crowd roared!

Would being 'interfered with', interfere with Eddies **badminton team**? Well only slightly. **Shared honours, 2-2**, all those early nights must be taking their toll.

Disappointingly the **snookered** team were exactly that and a **1-2 defeat** led to much beating of cues. Would the President impose a curfew? Almost **halfway** and the scores were tight, **Mals 6.5-5.5 loS**. Maybe cooling the beer will spur us on?

Super Saturday, **cricket**, **football**, **quiz** and **beer racing**. A modern sportsman's dream. But first it was the Bishop's 'Beaker and the Nosworthy Noggin' golf trophies.

The President continued his 'Purple Patch', winning the Bishop's Beaker for golfers, and Jim Ward, not for the first time in his life, fended off his father, to win the goofers Nosworthy Noggin!

Cricket v St., Mary's is always one of the Trip's highlights and a strong squad were unfortunately denied by the inclement weather once again.

Every cloud etc... this gave the **footballers** an extra hour to prepare for their match against the Woolpack Wanderers. Again a stronger squad than usual, took on the Island champions in their own backyard and a valiant display resulted in a **1-3 defeat**. It's a two-legged affair and the result flattered our opponents. The manager consoled the players and escorted them back to Tregarthen's for a team beer or two.



The winning quiz team. (That's the first time we've used that caption, Ed.)

The President announced his quiz team, a mixture of boffins and nerds, comprising of the President, Shaun Galloway, Tim Kneen and Dave 'Sundance' Windeatt.

Unfortunately Clive Mumford, still traumatised by a photo of Eddie with his trousers down, couldn't make the fixture, a sad loss as Clive has captained the Isles to victory, since it's inception. The Mals took an early lead and a more 'streetwise' performance led to a well-deserved **victory 76-70**.



He used to think the quiz was for wimps...but the Pres loves it now!

Thirsty work this quizzing! Let's have a **boat race**! An element of over-training played its part and a close race sadly ended in defeat for the Mals Time for a proper drink to reflect on the overall trip scores **7.5-7.5**.

Sunday started misty and wet but cleared once we arrived at the quay. **Clay shooting, cricket** and the second leg of the **tennis** and **football**. You could cut the tension with an 8-iron! Tresco welcomed us with a brief respite in the weather. Our **tennis team** of Shaun Galloway, Mark Rohde, Dave Dallaway, Darrel Foulk, Tim Kneen and the Organizer looked very confident, and I believe Dave, Darrel, Tim and Mr. O played very well for their victories, but for some obscure reason every Mal wanted to watch Shaun and Mark! Most of the Mals could now smell victory! Well, the smell of victory plus a member of the crowd going thru' a bit of a beige patch, rather than a purple one. **3-0**, just what the President ordered. Again our cricket squad were thwarted by the weather. It must be beer o'clock, let's retire to the New Inn. Always a good place to spot the spotters, and this year it was Bill Oddie! Goody, goody boredom!



"I've seen enough!" Jimmy caught heading off to the Star Castle bar.

Back at the Garrison, a slow start unfortunately led to an early goal for the Garrison Gunners, and despite a great game of **football**, a **5-0 defeat** tried to spoil the day. Well done St.Mary's, it is flattering that you field your best players in both games! We're not down hearted; in fact spirits were lifted when Andy Smith reported on a

Mal victory in the **clay pigeon shooting**. Mentions in despatches go to sharp shooters, Eddie Gladden, David and Rob Epton.

Guest night dinner, always a good evening spent in the company of our Island friends. Unfortunately the new head of school, Jo Yeates had a prior booking, but her very able substitute Tim Garratt introduced us to Sam Stefan, the 2017 recipient of the Mal de Mer Merit award, and then endeared himself to the mob by saying kind things about the Mals. President Pooley gave a toast to our Island friends, and Dave Stone responded on behalf of the Islanders. Roy Bound performed his last 100 Club draw and then it was time for the Thesps.

Adapted from the book, ***There and Back again by Jet boat*** it vaguely depicted the trials and tribulations of getting the President elect onto the Isles of Scilly, in time to have some balls put around his neck. "The music, songs and script were all delivered with great gusto!" **Silly Then and Now.** "Never seen batter" **The Galley Fish Bar.** Our own in-house award, kindly donated by the family of the late John Roe, was given to Andy Smith for his depiction of Uncle Sausage, aka Ray Farr. (See pages XXVI & XXVII for full report)



Simmo adopts the all too familiar 'brave face' as he hands the golf trophy to Scillies winning captain Dave Stone.



Lovin' that scoreboard!

Monday, one more game of **golf**.
Sam Lighting, Rob Epton and Joss Davidge won the Texas Shambles.

An assassination attempt was made on the President by the very ex caddy captain, but thankfully the boulder fell short of its target and landed harmlessly into casual water. Overall best gross on the trip, was awarded to new boy Adam Bryant. Hope this isn't the only prize you win this year Adam and good luck in your professional career.

Would the weather hold out for at least one game of **cricket** against St. Martins? More importantly a win here would make the 2017 Trip a winning trip! St. Martins won the toss and inserted the Mals. Dave Truby and Jim Ward opened the batting, putting on 130, before a dubious run out saw Jim back in the pavilion. Calum Windeatt kept the score moving and the Mals ended with 179-2. Dave Truby carried his bat for 66. St. Martins were short of fielders and a big thank you goes to our resident pro, Adam for stepping in so keenly in his loafers and



What a team!

Back to St. Mary's for the last sporting match of the 2017 trip, **Gig-racing**. Thank you again to our Island friends and opponents for indulging us in this very special sport. The Mals entered three boats comprising of, the Presidents crew, the Old Gits, and the New Boys. A shock result saw the President's crew, pip the Old Gits and New Boys into third and fourth with the **Island boat taking the gold**. Life's a Beach and then you go home!

Thank you again to all the staff at Tregarthen's for decorating our theme night dining room. Our resident 'Beachmaster' Prez led the party with style, presenting all the golf trophies and 'luvvie' awards and thanking one and all for a very successful trip. Time to pack.



Beach party time - the last night fancy dress event never fails to amuse.

running Jim out! Don't worry Adam it'll be forgotten in about ten years time! Kenny's ball also made a brief debut before straining itself and coming off! The Mals used eight bowlers keeping St. Martin's to 124-4. Champagne moment goes to New Boy, also playing with a strain, Jack Everton, taking an athletic catch behind the stumps off a rank long hop down leg side from Harry (*"that cake is for players!"*) Marsland. Thank you umpires, scorers and attendees, you all helped to get that vital point for a winning trip!

A big thank you to our Prezzie, and an even bigger one to Mr.O for all his tremendous work on and off the Islands. To all the Mals and especially the great gang of New Boys, Keith, Jack, Oliver, Tim, Adam, Callum and Dave, thank you. Hope to see you all in 2018 and don't forget to bring some more sportsmen!

Summary of games

EVENT	DATE	PLACE	TIME	HOLDERS
Archery	Friday, September 28	Rifle Range	8.30 pm	Cancelled
Badminton	Friday, September 28	School	8.30 pm	Mals
Basketball	Wednesday, September 26	School (staff)	5.00 pm	Islands
Beach Football	Thursday, September 27	Porthmellon Beach	2.00 pm	Mals
Beach Volleyball	Thursday, September 27	Porthmellon Beach	3.00 pm	Mals
Boat Race	Saturday, September 29	Tregarthens' Terrace	10.15 pm	Islands
Bowls	Friday, September 28	Golf Club	2.00 pm	Islands
Cricket	Saturday, September 29	Garrison v St. Mary's	1.30 pm	Cancelled
	Monday, October 1	St. Martin's	1.15 pm	Mals
Darts	Thursday, September 27	Scillonian Club	8.45 pm	Islands
Football	Saturday, September 29	Garrison Ground	5.00 pm	Islands
	Sunday, September 30	Garrison Ground	5.15 pm	Islands
Vets 5-a-side	Wednesday, September 26	School	5.45 pm	New event
Gig Racing	Monday, October 1	Harbour	6.00 pm	Islands
Golf	Thursday, September 27 Golfers - Perry Pot 9 holes Goofers - Morgan Mug 9 holes	Golf Course	9.00 am	
	Friday, September 28 Golfer/Goofers - George Twist Tankard	Golf Course	9.00 am	
	Match -v- The Islanders		1.30 pm	Islands
	Saturday, September 29 Golfers - Bishop's Beaker 9 holes Goofers - Nosworthy Noggin 9 holes	Golf Course	9.00 am	
	Monday, October 1 Texas Scramble 9 holes	Golf Course	9.00 am	
Hockey	Thursday, September 27	School	5.00 pm	Mals
Pool	Thursday, September 27	Scillonian Club	8.45 pm	Mals
Quiz	Saturday, September 29	Tregarthens'	9.45 pm	Mals
Shooting: Rifle:	Friday, September 28	Rifle Range	8.30 pm	Islands
Clays:	Sunday, September 30	Venue TBA	10.00 am	Mals
Snooker	Friday, September 28	The Vineyard	8.30 pm	Islands
Softball	Thursday, September 27	Porthmellon Beach	4.00 pm	New event
Table Tennis	Wednesday, September 26	School (pupils)	3.30 pm	Mals
Tennis	Wednesday, September 26	Garrison Ground	3.00 pm	Cancelled
	Sunday, September 30	Tresco	1.00 pm	Mals
Volleyball	Wednesday, September 26	School (pupils)	4.15 pm	Mals

Team Captains

SPORT		ISLANDERS	MAL DE MERS
Archery		Steve Whomersley	Alex Polhill
Badminton		Linda Thomas	Eddie Gladden
Basketball		Matt Simons	Jim Ward
Beach Football		Russ Hutchins	Paul Calfe
Beach Volleyball		Richard Mills	Keith Williams
Boat Race		Russ Hutchins	Rob Epton
Bowls		David Corners	Roy Bound
Cricket	St. Mary's:	Rafe Ford	Captain: Jamie Pooley
	St. Martin's:	Tony Goddard	Vice Captains: Jim Ward Ben Jakes
Darts		Jock MacDonald	Steve Pickard
Football		Gibbo	Harry Marsland
Vets 5-a-side football		Chris Evans	Dave Nottingham
Gig Racing		Bec Champion	Joss Davidge
Golf		Dave Stone	Paul Simmonds
Hockey		Sarah Jenkins	Stewart Ward
Pool		t.b.c.	Ben Jakes
Quiz		Clive Mumford	The President
Shooting:	Rifle:	Steve Whomersley	Pete Nelstrop
	Clay Pigeon:	Roger Banfield	Andy Smith
Snooker		James Francis	Ray Farr
Softball		Martyn Songhurst	Alistair Hick
Table Tennis		Martyn Songhurst	Wilf Feely
Tennis		John Morley	Shaun Galloway
Volleyball		Martyn Songhurst	Tom Elsbury

SEX INSURANCE

Do you have any? Here are some suggestions:

Sex with your wife : Legal & General	Sex on the back seat : Sheila's Wheels
Sex with your partner : Standard Life	Sex with a transvestite : Confused.com
Sex with someone different : Go Compare	Sex with an animal : Compare the Meerkat
Sex on the phone : Direct Line	Sex with a hooker : Commercial Union
Sex with a fat bird : More Than	Sex in a boat : Admiral
Sex with a hot bird : Privileged	Really good sex (Oh, yes!) : Churchill

Duties

Officer of the Day

This post was created many years ago and its duties should be undertaken responsibly.

- To ensure that every Mal receives an early morning call at 7.00 am to 7.30 am.
- To ensure that all Mals proceed to meals, the bus/boats at the appointed times.
- To collect golf sweep and hand this to the Golf Organizer.
- To collect fines and pass them to the Treasurer.
- To assist the DG, Organizer and President in any other task required.
- To raise the Mal de Mer flag pre-breakfast and lower pre-dinner each evening.

Baggage Masters

On arrival at Tregarthens Hotel, the Baggage Masters are to see that the luggage of the elderly and frail are taken to their respective rooms. On departure they are to ensure that baggage is placed outside the hotel in accordance with the DG's instructions.

Presidency

It is the duty of all Mals to respect the office of President during his year of office which commences on the island of St. Mary's and ends in the following year on the island. The President Elect shall not assume the title of President until he is flushed in. Abuse of this regulation will earn a firm rebuke or worse from the Hierarchy. Any Mal addressing the President Elect as 'President' will suffer similarly!

TOP TABLE ETIQUETTE

At dinner, the top table (with the exception of the Officer of the Day) will be seated only by those who have received a personal invitation from the President that day. Imposters will be exposed and removed, and if there is an empty seat, everybody shuffle up one.



"Just think my dear, cricket legends such as Snell, Pooley and even that flat-track bully Marsland will have once climbed these very steps."

CRICKET

Mals vs St. Martins
Monday 1st October, 1.15pm

Live on **sky sports**

Flights

Wednesday 26 September 2018 Skybus from Land's End Airport

FIRST FLIGHT (x13) Baggage Master: Jim Ward

Report to airport check-in: 7.00 am

Depart: 8.00 am

Martin Gibbs	Charlie Applewhite	Jim Ward
Pete Nelstrop	Will Cooke	Ben Jakes
Steve Pickard	Guy Simmons	Dave Truby
Dave Epton	Stewart Ward	Jimmy Gray
Rob Epton		

SECOND FLIGHT (x6) Baggage Master: Tom Elsbury

Report to airport check-in: 7.15 am

Depart: 8.15 am

Shaun Galloway	Paul Calfe	Tom Elsbury
Jeremy Chadwick	Harry Marsland	Alex Polhill

THIRD FLIGHT (x11) Baggage Master: Keith Williams

Report to airport check-in: 7.30 am

Depart: 8.30 am

Ray Farr	Alistair Hick	Keith Williams
Jamie Pooley	Joss Davidge	David Nottingham
Andy Smith	Eddie Gladden	Roy Bound
Alan Guest	Paul Simmonds	

We have arranged for our regular minibus driver Dwayne to collect us from the airport, so please look out for him upon arrival.



PLEASE NOTE:

We have an allowance of 15 kgs per person, so please ensure that none of your bags are heavier than this.

IMPORTANT:

If in doubt, please decant into two smaller bags



Future Fund

(previously know as the 100 Club)



FUTURE FUND
Supporting the future of the club

For those Mals that have zoned out since the last trip and are wondering where the 100 Club has gone, here is the low down.

Firstly we decided to change the name to better reflect the purpose of the initiative (100 doesn't mean much!), so we changed it to the Mals **FUTURE FUND**.

Secondly, we dropped the Easter draw and reallocated the number picks to the other 3 draws. So for Xmas there are 3 tickets now (£75, £50, £25). The Golf Day draw stays the same (£50, £25). The trip draw is boosted (£100, £50, £25).

Also (as if you haven't had enough), at each of the 3 draws we will be buying 10 lottery tickets. If/when we win, then that money also goes into the trip draw (to be allocated pro rata). If by chance we win more than £1000 on any lottery ticket(!) then that will instead be allocated out evenly to everyone who has bought a ticket.

Remember that all draws are now also broadcast live on Facebook... so tune in if you are not at the draw. So there you go... huge money to be won (maybe even millions) with the new improved **FUTURE FUND**.

In addition we have started an amazing initiative that will allow us to generate **FREE MONEY** for the **FUTURE FUND**.

It is a super easy, pain free, zero cost way to raise money for the Fund... so please sign up now and use it whenever you buy something on the internet. Instead of going straight to your favourite shopping website direct, go via easyfundraising first and then click on to your favourite retailer and the Mals will get a % donation from the retailer every time you shop - simple!

We have registered the Mals so just follow these simple steps. Go here:

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>

- Search for the cause 'Mal de Mer Club'
- Join the site for free
- Enable the pop up
- Bookmark the site in your Bookmarks bar so you remember

Every time you shop online go via this site. All donations are automatically paid direct into the Mals account (good news eh Mr T!)

The winners during last year were:

2017 Trip	£100	Jock McDonald
	£50	Kieran Counihan
Christmas Draw	£75	Wilf Feely
	£50	Jack Davidge
	£25	Adam Bryant
Golf Day 2018	£50	Darryl Foulks
	£25	Eddie Gladden

I'm selling
a pushbike
for £50

What is the
lowest you'll
go on it?

About 2mph
otherwise it'll tip
over you twat

OBITUARY Ben Guest

It is with real sadness that we have to report the death of our former Director General, Ben Guest. He embodied every quality that Uncle Jimmy would have looked for in a leader of the Mal de Mers. A sportsman in every sense of the word, both on and off the field. He encouraged all Mals to have a go and also calmed those who were having a go with the wrong attitude. He formed a great double act with the late Organisator, Brian Pooley and between them the Mals went from strength to strength.

Ben first came on the trip in 1967, sponsored by F. B. Beard (Freddie), President in 1967 was R. E. Jones (Turpin). He was one of 4 new boys that year. He returned in 1968 to be flushed in as Mal de Mer number 150.

Ben's formidable record with the Mals reads as follows: 45 trips attended, only missing one year. President in 1980, he was the 36th President of the Mals, serving 25 years as DG. Ben completed 45 trips, his last being in 2012, only John Ashby had been on more trips.

Ben introduced 9 new boys: J. Maund, B. Combes, R. Bound, C. Yaxely, A. Guest, A. Smith, D. Arrowsmith, N. Langford and D. Ruddock. Three of his new boys went on to be president, which is quite a record. What a legacy Ben has left the club!

Many thanks Ben; you will be sorely missed, but our memory of you will never fade.

There was a capacity crowd at Ben's memorial service, held at Shrewsbury Town Football Club. Ben's wife Angie is seen here with those Mal's that were able to attend.



In the 2008 Thespians starring as the Fat Controller.



Ben's favourite place on Scilly.



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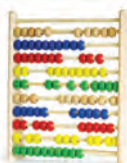
2016



2015



2014



2013



2012



2011



2010



2009



2008



2007



2006



Merit Trophy

At each Guest Night Dinner we ask the Head Teacher of the School to announce the School's recommendation for the recipient of the Mal de Mer Merit Trophy for the year. Some Mals may be slightly unsure as to the full detail of this and it is as well that we again place on record the importance which we – the Mal de Mer Club – attach to this annual award.

It is our premier contact with the School and an important link between the Islanders and the Club, since many earlier holders of the trophy will now be meeting us in our various sports or in the shops/hotels on the islands. The award is accompanied by a cup and cheque donated by our President. The cup was introduced in 1956. Unfortunately our archives do not show the donor but the first name engraved upon it was J. R. Williams. In 2017 The Merit Trophy was awarded to Sam Stefan.

The criteria upon which the recommendation for the award is made is as follows:

The trophy is not presented for scholastic success, it is not even competed for. It is awarded to the BOY or GIRL who over his or her school career, has contributed something of merit, by his or her example and personal effort made to help others. The Mal de Mer Club in an effort to recognise these merits, has offered this Trophy for annual award among Scillonian scholars.



CAN YOU HELP?

If you happen to be an Islander reading this, then this message is for YOU.

Roy Bound is endeavouring to establish a **"Where are they now?"** record for all the previous winners of the Mal de Mer Merit Trophy.

If you happen to know how any previous winners have fared since they left the school, then please let Roy know on **07740 604099** or email: **roy@roybound.plus.com**

It would be great to learn how their lives have progressed and to possibly run a feature in next year's brochure.

Many thanks for your help!

TOP AWARD GOES T

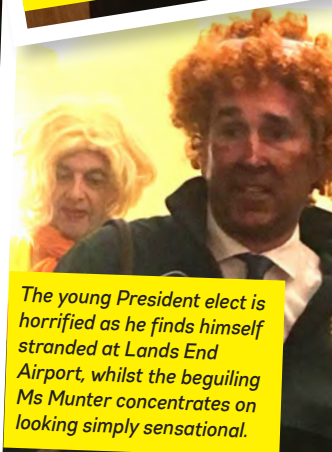
There wasn't a dry eye in the house, as everyone's favourite luvvy Andy Smith became the first recipient of the John Roe Trophy for over-acting. John was a Mal (and one of the original thespians) from yesteryear, whose daughter Suzie contacted Jamie and they agreed on this excellent annual award. To cap it all, a modest Smithy was left almost speechless – there really is a first time for everything.



The award winner with his uncanningly realistic portrayal of Uncle Sausage.



The sauve Captain Cocksure stole the scene and the ladies hearts with his master class in how to read from hastily written notes.



The young President elect is horrified as he finds himself stranded at Lands End Airport, whilst the beguiling Ms Munter concentrates on looking simply sensational.

O MALS THESPIAN!

HOLLYWOOD

Dear Andrew Smith,

On behalf of the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, I am thrilled to inform you have been awarded the great honour of a Star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. This accolade is given to internationally famous entertainers - stars of sound, screen and stage. Previous honourees have included such esteemed company as Bill Cosby, Michael Jackson and Kevin Spacey.

However, this year we have introduced a new scheme to honour those less talented, less rich and less famous, but no less committed to entertainment and arts in the community.

Your nominees (who shall remain confidential) have brought to our attention your longstanding commitment to bringing live theatre to isolated British communities, which have no access to fine entertainment and The Arts. We are impressed by reviews of your enthusiastic performances and perseverance in aiming for high standards despite lack-lustre scripts, inebriated audiences and talentless co-actors. We also understand that you are a long-suffering fan of Burnley Soccer Club, and in these difficult circumstances, your Star Quality shines through and should now publicly acknowledged.

Your Star has been temporarily installed on Hollywood Boulevard (see enclosed photograph). It will be made permanent once we have received from the sum of \$40,000 (to cover administration and maintenance costs) and your commitment to a personal appearance at an unveiling ceremony, on a date to be mutually agreed.

Congratulations on this exclusive accolade, and we look forward to hearing from you.

God Bless America

Harvey

H. Weinstein
Chair of the Board

6255 Sunset Blvd, Ste 150, Hollywood, CA ~

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Our heroine the Mermaid captivates the audience with her good looks, sexy wailing and shimmering fishy tale.

This pair of ne'r do well pirates drew boo's from the boozy onlookers.

Dress code

Morning

Casual – What you intend to play golf in (no spikes in the dining room). Soft spikes are mandatory.









Evening

Jackets and Mal de Mer ties and badges must be worn at dinner. Rings or studs through noses, ears or lips are very strictly forbidden. New designer ties (see pic opposite) and lapel badges are now in stock. See the Organizer should you need an upgrade. Do not wear colours that clash.

PLEASE NOTE:

Sponsors are obliged to ensure their New Boys are correctly suited and booted.

Sporting/Boat trips

	Cricket	With our Tregarthens sponsored cricket shirts, you will only need to bring white trousers and a jumper. Trainers must be worn for batting and bowling.
	Football	Full Mals' kit is provided, so just bring boots, shin pads and plenty of support strapping.
	Hockey	The Yellow polo shirts are to be used for hockey. Blue shorts and socks should be worn. Shin pads, gumshields and all weather surface footwear.
	Shooting	Countryside commission regulation dress, no balaclavas.
	Boat trips	Some form of waterproof clothing and a Mal de Mer fleece. Plastic sheets available on board if it gets really rough.
	Gig Racing	Shorts, T-shirt and shoes you don't mind getting wet.
	Badminton	Green Mals polo shirts provided – see the Captain for this if you are selected. (Hopefully these will have been freshly washed after those sweaty Basketball players).
	Beach Volleyball	Pink Mals polo shirts provided – see the Captain for this if you are selected.
	Beach Football	Purple Mals shirts provided – see the Captain for this if you are selected.
	Volleyball/ Basketball	Green Mals shirts provided – see the Captain for this if you are selected.
	5-a-side Football	Just the shirts required, as all players will likely already have sports shorts, socks and shoes (and if not, why not?)
	Softball	Pink or purple – whichever are the least smelly from the afternoons beach events...

Who rooms where?

ROOM	CONSUL	PLEB
2	Ray Farr	Alex Polhill
4	Joss Davidge	
7	Jeremy Chadwick	Shaun Galloway
8	Paul Calfe	Jamie Pooley
9	Paul Simmonds	Eddie Gladden
10	Roy Bound	
11	Martin Gibbs	
14	David Nottingham	Steve Pickard
15	Guy Simmons	
17	Harry Marsland	
18	Alistair Hick	
27	Keith Williams	Will Cooke
28	Alan Guest	
30	Ben Jakes	Dave Truby
31	Jim Ward	Tom Elsbury
32	Jimmy Gray	
36	Wilf Feely	
41	Rob Epton	Charlie Applewhite
42	Dave Epton	Pete Nelstrop
43	Stewart Ward	
44	Andy Smith	



*The signs were always there...
Our President (right, of course)
starring in HMS Pinafore.*

NEW TIES AVAILABLE

With stocks empty, the Organizator was tasked with sourcing our new neckwear. This impressive designer apparel has been created in the popular '75th Anniversary' colourway, branded with the famous Bishops Rock lighthouse then embellished with the rolling waves synonymous with our name. Truly a must-have for all fashionistas, and a snip at just £15 each. Visit Room 7 to collect yours.





WEDNESDAY

The trip begins

BAGGAGE MASTERS:

FLIGHT 1:
Jim Ward

FLIGHT 2:
Tom Elsbury

FLIGHT 3:
Keith Williams

FIRST FLIGHT (x 13):

Check in: 7.00 am
Depart: 8.00 am

SECOND FLIGHT (x 6):

Check in: 7.15 am
Depart: 8.15 am

THIRD FLIGHT (x 11):

Check in: 7.30 am
Depart: 8.30 am

Arrival at Tregarthens

At the time of writing the plan is to all arrive by air and be welcomed with bacon rolls. However the weather will have the last word here, so let's hope there's not a repeat of 2017.

11.15 am

Raising the Flag

All Mals to report to the Tregarthens decking unless instructed otherwise by the Officer of the Day. One of our able bugel-meisters will play a suitably upbeat tune as the flag is raised.

11.30 am

St Agnes Trip

All down to the quay for our first trip aboard the Surprise.

11.45 am

Island Briefing (afloat)

As tradition dictates, the D.G. will have our undivided attention as he officially welcomes the Mals and New Boys. Please listen carefully as he will say this only once.

3.00 pm

TENNIS

v St. Mary's (1st leg, 2nd leg Sunday)

Garrison Ground

CAPTAIN: Shaun Galloway



After defeat in 2016, our tennis captain was left frustrated last year as the weather put paid to his plans for revenge. Since then we understand there's a new playing surface in place, so local knowledge of where the lumps and bumps are may no longer be a factor...



3.30 pm	TABLE TENNIS v the School CAPTAIN: Wilf Feely			
 KIT	4.15 pm	VOLLEYBALL v the School CAPTAIN: Tom Elsbury		
 KIT	5.00 pm	BASKETBALL v the Staff CAPTAIN: Jim Ward		
 KIT	5.45 pm	VETS 5-A-SIDE FOOTBALL v the Islanders CAPTAIN: David Nottingham	NEW EVENT	
All at the school sports' hall.		After a number of years discussion, further persuasion from the Island old-boys sees this new event enter our schedule. What exactly determines a 'vet' age-wise is still to be decided...		

7.00 pm Jacket, tie and badge are obligatory, trousers too ideally. New ties are now available for the fashion conscious Mal.

7.45 pm **Dinner**

Pre-dinner we will be formally introduced to Tregarthen's GM Nick and his great team. Please try and make a good first impression!

President Jamie Pooley will perform his last official act by flushing in our 2018 President, David Epton.

Sponsors will formally introduce their New Boys.

New Boys to be flushed in: Tom Elsbury and Dave Truby.

10.00 pm How does a cheeky nightcap sound?

1.00 am Oh go on then, maybe just one more...

DRESS CODE
Sponsors of New Boys and those requiring an upgrade should visit The Organizer in Room 7 to purchase a Mal de Mer tie and lapel badge.
NEW TIES £15 (see page XXIX)
BADGES £5



THURSDAY

- 6.30 am** Far too early to be awake, but if you are and the weather's good, why not take a quayside stroll?
- 7.15 am** Today might be your best chance at the golf course before fatigue sets in, so make sure you at least dress like a winner.
- 8.00 am** **Breakfast** get stuck in!

9.00 am Please have your £1 for the golf sweep ready to pass to the Officer of the Day to ensure you're allowed on the bus.

GOLF COMPETITIONS:**PERRY POT - GOLFERS****9 HOLE MEDAL (½ HANDICAP)****MORGAN MUG - GOOFERS****9 HOLE MEDAL**

We understand that our good friend Russ will be temporarily running the golf club kitchen during our stay – so lunch at the club is recommended, and a big thanks to Russ for stepping in here.

All Mals to report to the beach for assorted sand-based activities. The deck at SPERO'S will be open for supporter refreshments.

**2.00 pm****BEACH FOOTBALL****v St. Mary's**

Venue: Porthmellon Beach

CAPTAIN: **Paul Calfe**REFEREE: **TBC**

Exact kick-off time TBC depending on the tide.

**2.45 pm****SWIMMING CLUB ICE BATH**

Having originated at St. Agnes c. 2004, this event is more popular than ever, and our human otter Harry will head the charge into the sea.

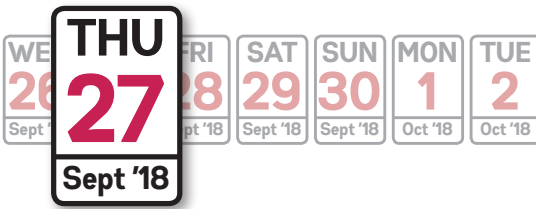
**3.00 pm****BEACH VOLLEYBALL**

Venue: Porthmellon Beach

CAPTAIN: **Keith Williams**

Now a fully fledged sport, after last year its clearly one the Mals can approach with optimism, and the new captain is expected to deliver.





4.00 pm

SOFTBALL

Venue: Porthmellon Beach

CAPTAIN: **Alistair Hick**

**NEW
EVENT**



*The captain will decide which kit is the least smelly.

With the demise of the sailing event, this new beach based activity will extend our stay on the sand and provide memories of our school days no doubt. Our captain is tasked with getting it right first time.

Note, the starting time of the Beach Volleyball and Softball matches may be swapped over, depending on the tide.



5.00 pm

HOCKEY

v St. Mary's

Venue: The School

CAPTAIN: **Stewart Ward**



With Selena off island during our stay, new I.o.S Captain Sarah will be looking to make her mark – The Rock will ensure that doesn't happen.

7.30 pm

Dinner

The President will doubtless fire us up with positivity ahead of the evening events.

8.45 pm

Depart to the Scillonian Club for an evening of head to head sporting combat in front of a baying crowd of beer-swigging experts...



DARTS TEAM

CAPTAIN: **Steve Pickard**



POOL TEAM

CAPTAIN: **Ben Jakes**



11.00 pm

All Mals to report back to Tregarthens (if they can find it), where Simmo will ask who Eddie is, and Smithy will explain what he was doing on the poop-deck without his trousers.



FRIDAY

- 6.30 am** Nice day – up and out. Miserable day – roll over.
- 7.15 am** You should still have a clean golf shirt, so use it. You may even make the team if you remembered to buy the captain a large one last night.
- 8.00 am** **Breakfast**
So much choice, so little time. Why not pretend you're a farmer and eat the lot.

9.00 am Promptly to the square for the bus(es).

GOLF COMPETITION:
9 HOLE AMERICAN FOURSOMES
(AKA: Golfer/Goofer) for the famous
George Twist Tankards

RULES: The Golf Organizer will have briefed us clearly on the rules over breakfast.



Noon Time for a settling beer and an athletes meal courtesy of the galloping gourmet Russ, before a busy afternoon.



1.30 pm

GOLF
Mals v The Islanders
CAPTAIN: **Paul Simmonds**



A glance at the trophy will show the Mals have been runners-up in this event rather too often in recent years. Surely our time has come...

This will again be a seven pairs event, and the President has decreed that the Mals team will once again require Mal caddies.



2.00 pm

BOWLS
Mals v The Islanders
Venue: The bowling green at the golf club.
CAPTAIN: **Roy Bound**



Always a competitive match, and with the introduction of Mals caddies into the golf match getting into this team has become competitive too.



QUIZ QUALIFIER

After dinner Roy Bound will use his tried and trusted selection challenge for wannabe quiz players – it worked last year!!

7.00 pm **Dinner**

Pete Nelstrop will propose a toast to the New Boys. Charlie Applewhite will respond.

The New Boys are: Charlie Applewhite, Will Cooke and Guy Simmons.

The DG will deliver edited highlights of the 2017 AGM.

NOTE: All those due to compete up at the Garrison this evening are asked not to over-do it on the drinking beforehand please.

8.15 pm

BLUE SHOOTING

v St. Mary's

CAPTAIN: **Pete Nelstrop**

Pistol Pete has the honour of leading the Mals as the regular captain is found in higher office this year.



8.15 pm

ARCHERY

v St. Mary's

CAPTAIN: **Alex Polhill**

After a non-event in 2017, we're advised the Island team are 'up for it' this time.



8.30 pm

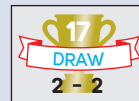
BADMINTON

v St. Mary's

Venue: The school sports hall

CAPTAIN: **Eddie Gladden**

This ever popular and often over-subscribed event ended all square last year – time to turn the screw this year Mr Captain.



8.45 pm

SNOOKER TEAM

CAPTAIN: **Ray Farr**

Uncle Sausage will consider all offers before selecting his team to head up to

The Vineyard to regain the trophy from hosts Rob and James Francis.



11.00 pm

After last nights singalong, there's every chance of a repeat with additions this evening – make sure you don't miss it.



SATURDAY

- 7.15 am** Super-Saturday! Everybody's favourite day with so much to look forward to. Get yourself up and at it!
- 8.00 am** **Breakfast**
Eat as much as you like chaps, you'll need to be fully fuelled-up for the challenges ahead.
- 8.30 am** Listen carefully to the many squad announcements from the assorted captains over breakfast, you may find you've a very busy day ahead.

- 8.45 am** No excuses. You know how the course will be playing, so just go out and play it!

GOLF COMPETITIONS:

BISHOP'S BEAKER FOR GOLFERS
9 HOLES

NOSWORTHY NOGGIN FOR GOOFERS
9 HOLES



- 12.30 pm** **Lunch**
Time to re-load, with intake based on your commitments for the afternoon ahead.

ATTENTION ALL GOLFERS!

Make sure your drive passes the ladies tee or else...





1.30 pm

CRICKET**v St. Mary's**

At the Garrison Ground

CAPTAIN: **Jamie Pooley**

St. Mary's has often proved our hardest nut to crack. After the cancellation last year, our captain returns to inspire the Mals again.

Scorer: Alex Polhill Umpires: t.b.c.



5.00 pm

FOOTBALL**v The Woolpack Wanderers**CAPTAIN: **Harry Marsland**DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL: **Jimmy Gray**

After a honeymoon start in 2016, the Mals Pep-alikey (Dyche-alikey?) manager was bought down to earth last year. With his squad once again shuffled, hopes are he can re-discover that inspirational touch.



7.00 pm

Sky Sports interviews with the headline makers in Tregarthens bar.

7.30 pm

An uber-quick shower and change (beer in-hand throughout) before appearing as good as new just ahead of hearing the dinner-gong.

7.45 pm

Dinner

The chance to finally sit down and enjoy recounting the highlights of the day with your fellow Mals.

9.45 pm

QUIZ: THE CLEVERDICKS CHALLENGE**v St. Mary's**

Tregarthens Lower Lounge

CAPTAIN: **The President**

Our sensational victory last year is only likely to have incentivised our Island opponents even more – the gauntlet has been thrown down.



10.15 pm

BOAT RACE**v St. Mary's**

Tregarthens Patio

CAPTAIN: **Rob Epton**

Always a popular spectator event. C'mon you Mals!





SUNDAY

9.00 am Breakfast

A slightly later start to allow re-charging of batteries – make the most of it!

10.30 am

All Mals down to the quay

SHOOTING

Shooters v Scilly

CAPTAIN: **Andy Smith** to liaise with Roger Banfield re: pick-up around 9.30 am

The Shooters will follow instructions from Islanders Captain Roger as to the location of their event.

The captain will be naming a team of 10 to shoot although spectators may travel to support the team.



Noon

TENNIS

(Second Leg) At the Flying Boat Club

CAPTAIN: **Shaun Galloway**

The squad will doubtless be selected based on the first tennis match result from Wednesday. Those fortunate to be chosen will certainly enjoy playing on these excellent courts. The team will consist of four pairs.



Tresco

TRIATHLON

Unfortunately, the above event has been scheduled for today, and as such the cricket pitch is unavailable and therefore our cricket match v Tresco has been cancelled.

The Mals not selected or supporting the shooting team will travel to Tresco to support the tennis team.

Any Mals interested in representing us by competing in the triathlon should contact the Organizer at the earliest opportunity – double breakfast rations will be provided.

Post match

New Boys and young Mals should find a wise old Mal for advice on where to find the boat and/or pub (good luck with that one...)

3.30 pm

Report to the correct quay (tide dependant) to catch the Surprise back to St. Mary's, ahead of the big game up at the Garrison Ground.

**5.00 pm****KIT**

As we say every year "it's only half time". Whatever the score from yesterday, you can be sure it'll be blood and thunder from the very first whistle.

FOOTBALL**Mals v Garrison Gunners**CAPTAIN: **Harry Marsland**DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL: **Jimmy Gray**

- 7.00 pm** Another speedy turnaround for the footballers, whilst the remainder of the Mals should ensure they arrive at the bar in good time to welcome our Island guests.
- 7.45 pm** Please check that your nearest Islander has a fully charged glass before we head through to the main event.
- 8.00 pm** **GUEST NIGHT DINNER**
 A warm Mal de Mer welcome to our Island Guests and Sports Captains. We will hear from the schools' Head Teacher Jo Yeates as to which of the school's pupils will be the recipient of the Mal de Mer Merit Award for 2018.
 Our Guest Speaker is the Islanders Gig Captain Bec Champion who will say a few words about the Mals from the Islanders perspective. Let's hope that doesn't spoil the whole evening eh?
- 10.30 pm** With last years production '*Get me to the Scilly on time*' nothing but a dreadful memory now, our troupe of greasepaint monkeys will doubtless have woven together a tale to evoke every emotion. Take your seat and prepare to expect the unexpected.
- 11.30 pm** The Officer of the Day will complete his busy evening by ensuring that that all our guests are being suitably well looked after.
- Midnight** It's about now that the Thesps join the thronging masses at the bar to let down their hair and soak up the praise/abuse that comes their way.
- 1.00 am** Andy Smith will lead the communal singing.
- 1.15 am** Jamie Pooley will respond.
- 1.30 am** Notty will arrive back from the factory and sing us a song about his day.



MONDAY

7.15 am The last full sporting day, and surely the best Monday you're likely to have this year.

8.00 am **Breakfast**

Your last chance to try something a bit different. Go on, live a little.

8.45 am All for one and one for all.

GOLF COMPETITION: THE TEXAS SCRAMBLE 9 HOLES

A true Mal wouldn't think of blaming his team mates for the failure – where does that leave you?



11.30 am **IMPORTANT:** Please ensure that immediately after the round your golf kit is packed securely in the trolley shed for transportation to the airport this afternoon.

12.15 pm Down to the quay side (make sure you collect yourself some lunch along the way) ahead of boarding The Surprise as we head over to St. Martin's.



"Are you sure you want to watch the Mals cricket match dear? A cheeky beer and pork scratchings in the Seven Stones would be my plan."

1.15 pm

CRICKET

v St. Martin's

CAPTAIN: Jamie Pooley

Umpires: t.b.c.



This match in its unique location, is always a memorable event in our calendar.

A great win last year was enjoyed by all that witnessed it. Same again please Captain!

5.15 pm

GIG RACING

v St. Mary's

CAPTAIN: Joss Davidge



The final event in our busy week is often over-subscribed. Make sure you advise the Captain of your interest well in advance, so that he can allocate those sought after slots.

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8.00 pm

ROMAN TOGA FANCY DRESS PARTY

INCLUDES THE PRESENTATION OF THIS YEAR'S GOLF TROPHIES
AND THE PRESIDENT'S ENDEAVOUR AWARD TROPHY.

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE FAMOUS LAST NIGHT FANCY DRESS
EVENT, SO REMEMBER, WHEN IN ROME, DRESS LIKE A ROMAN.
TOGA'S, CENTURIONS, GLADIATORS, CONSUL'S AND PLEBEIANS
ALL WELCOME.

DRESS TO IMPRESS – THERE MAY BE PRIZES TO BE WON.

Please assist the Hotel by settling your account
this evening to avoid the morning rush.



TUESDAY



6.00 am Your work here is done, so please just make sure you don't leave any grubby and soiled kit behind.

From 7.00 am Breakfast will be served as you appear. Please thank Nick and his Tregs team for looking after you so well.

Return flight details

FIRST FLIGHT (x13):

Depart from square: 7.40 am Take-off: 8.40 am

Dave Nottingham	Alex Polhill	Eddie Gladden
Paul Calfe	Alistair Hick	Harry Marsland
Shaun Galloway	Alan Guest	Paul Simmonds
Jeremy Chadwick	Andy Smith	Roy Bound
Tom Elsbury		

SECOND FLIGHT (x5):

Depart from square: 7.45 am Take-off: 8.45 am

Ray Farr	Joss Davidge	Dave Truby
Jamie Pooley	Jimmy Gray	

THIRD FLIGHT (x12):

Depart from square: 8.45 am Take-off: 9.45 am

Martin Gibbs	Will Cooke	Guy Simmons
Pete Nelstrop	Keith Williams	Ben Jakes
Charlie Applewhite	Jim Ward	Dave Epton
Stewart Ward	Steve Pickard	Rob Epton

Vignettes

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These informal profiles are conceived and written by a selection of 'volunteers' who were each given a random collection of names. The authors remain anonymous, their text unaltered, and the editor distances himself from anything that may be considered offensive, inaccurate or slanderous – so there!

N/A	Charlie Applewhite	Marcus	Beckingham
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With an ever ageing Trip and Hotel it was thought prudent by the hierarchy to bring our own in-house engineer. Charlie's field of speciality is geriatrics (zimmer frames, hot chocolate and stair lifts) with a handy interest in beer coolers. This will take the pressure off Epton, Epton, Tightenit & Smashit our former janitors! Blessed with all-round sporting and drinking ability, Charlie at 6'6" will be invaluable for the basketball, volleyball and opening skylights.

Always good company, great to have you on board.



CLXXVII	Roy Bound	Infirmofpurpus	Shrewsbury
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The current longest served Mal de Mer returns for yet another trip aiming to overtake the late, great Ben Guest and become the 2nd longest served Mal de Mer. (John Ashby is the longest Mals trivia quiz lovers).

Now retired from the Golf Course, Roy still is busy has lots of jobs to do for club. Roy's contribution is long, to name but a few of his roles: Mentor, Quizmaster, Crab Procurement, 100 Club promoter (or Future Fund for the marketing types), Bowls Captain, Life coach. We **need** you Roy!

A great bloke, a top Mal and one of the few on the trip that still has all of his marbles.



CCLX	Paul Calfe	Roomza Bitovamess	Bow Bells, Laandun
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Cor blimey, would you Adam and Eve it? A DNA test has confirmed that Calfey is the love child of Babs Windsor and Danny Dyer – and apparently Simmo is a distant Baker's Dozen.

Now that you fink about it, it's bleedin obvious, innit? The ginger Barnet, wiv some previous form as a Tea Leaf, wasn't me guv etc. etc... the angelic Boat Race you get the picture?

Wot ever, the Mals is a broad church and Calfey's sporting talent is pukka, the boy is quality. He has the best touch on the Garrison be it wiv his Plates of Meat or on his Loaf of Bread.

Plays as a keeper these days wiv a safe pair of 'ands, never drops a Robbie Fowler never has a Constantino Rocca. Top geezer, have a great trip Calfey.



CCXLII

Jeremy Chadwick

Supremius Phaffius

N'Djamena

The Sean Spicer of the Mals Press Office, Chadders is a thoroughly nice block who also happens to have editorial control over these vignettes.

If you happen to find yourself slammed in the Hughs Town high security nick after over-zealous applications of Betty Stoges, it is Chadders's number you want for your one phone call. He'll charm the birds from the trees and knows who to pass a back-hander on to.

It'll be a busy week for the Organizer – not only keeping the Mals machine well-oiled in more ways than one, he'll lead the line on the football field, wield a tennis racquet with amazing dexterity (whether selected or not), be the intellectual backbone of the quiz team, but most importantly the driving force behind the sophisticated dramatic presentation of Thespians that is the cultural highpoint of the trip.

(And whatever you do, don't make any mention of his lack of golf trophies, it's just not fair).



N/A

Will Cooke

Spencius

Diss or Dat

An increasing rarity on the Trip; Will is an all-round sportsman, with boundless enthusiasm. A handy back row forward and downhill racer, Will has been training at altitude so he can keep up with Charlie Applewhite!

A quality goofer, pool shark and volleyballer; it's nice to have some real talent in our midst. Also blessed with pharmaceutical and medical knowledge, should be invaluable for keeping an eye on Eddie and Simmo from Saturday night onwards!

Have a great Trip!



CCLXVI

Joss Davidge

Prosperus Maximus

Cape Town

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[Translation for the elders]: Anytime, anywhere, anyplace, with Joss (Chief Internet Officer) what you see is what you get – an elite athlete excelling at grinning, ducking and running fast, as well as many other island sports. Always a pleasure to see him cracking a smile at the end of the day, and you will want to go for a drink with him where you will laugh out loud with unintentional snort sounds (not that there is anything wrong with that). And Master Jack Davidge, remember your parent is watching.

Very Best of luck on the trip Josiah Alfred Wilberforce St.John Davidge Esq. have a good one.



CCCCXI

Tom Elsbury**Fittus Triathletus****The Gym**

A very big welcome back to our very own superstar Triathlete (his participation in the Tresco event on Sunday 30th t/b/c at time of writing). It's always a pleasure to have a 'proper' sportsman in our ranks, and as those Mals around him get slower, Tom is likely to find himself doing the running for them all – be that up on the Garrison, across to the bar in the Mermaid, or emergency mercy-missions to the pharmacy for medication (theirs not his).

Tom's position in the Mals family tree is less clear... there are two Mals both claiming to be his sponsor, so a DNA test has been arranged to put an end to the squabbling. The result of this is expected to be announced at the Gala Dinner on Sunday, although on account of him already having been flushed-in by then, Tom may choose to disown both individuals and remain an orphan.

Please stay fit Tom, the Mals need you!

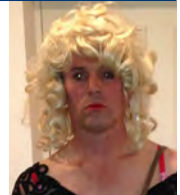


CCLXXXV

David Epton**Pontius Pilot****Probably not in Room 42**

Did you have at your school a class "free spirit" who finally made it to Head Boy? Will it change him? Not a chance. If you have a cat stuck on top of a flagpole that is frightened of anyone approaching it wearing clothes, then Eppo Snr. is your man. If you have been cruelly jilted at the altar and require a last minute stand-in to fulfil all of your missing bride's duties – then send for our President elect.

A first rate shot and hockey player, top of the list for any feats of strength and endurance, with the ability to outlast the youngest and fittest Mals down the Mermaid, as well as Satchmo's lips for the bugle, Dangerous Dave will be an inspirational leader. He's not bad at filling in last minute EU forms either.



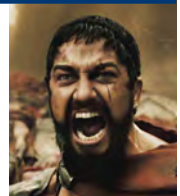
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Rob Epton**Prodigius Whackus****Ragdale Hall Spa, Lincolnshire**

Whether he's sitting in a tractor, repairing a tractor, or pulling a tractor with his teeth – 300 always displays determination, concentration and a large quantity of sweat. He shows a willingness to speak truth to power – although he also lets the powerless know just what he thinks of them.

Let us remember he's not 300 by chance – he's 300 because five years ago under the pressure of competition in the cauldron of the Tregarthen's lounge area he best demonstrated the core attributes and skills of a Mal... and has kept it up since.

Rob has no doubt been providing great support to his younger brother and President Elect in preparation for his big year (motivational speech and joke writing, ADHD medication, fashion tips, foot rubs, hot stone massages, night cap/one for the road drink selection etc). We hope he'll be able to control his emotions as Eppo 1 makes his first Presidential address and let's hope the food is up to the occasion – for 300 that will be a light Waldorf Salad and star fruit organic yoghurt dessert. Nice to see you again, nice.



CCXXX

Ray Farr

Maximus Mazombos

South West of Brum

Must be old enough to remember the first trip yet still a good each way bet for honours on the golf course and a regular in the snooker and sleeping team.

Don't be fooled by the dulcet tones and good looks or any attempts to seek monies for the 'lott.err..rye'. Still learning the art of umpiring despite failing eyesight and hearing but rest assured Jamie, he'll hear every snick and see every lbw for you when you bowl. Always very friendly to any new boys who would like a visit to Room 2 and has groomed many a Mal over the years. Have a great trip Ray (and try and bring a new boy who can gig this year!).



CCLXXV

Wilf Feely

Geriatrux

Leamington Spa

After making a welcome return after a few years absence, Wilf enjoyed himself so much he has come back for the other half of his half trip. Rumours are that the Hierarchy will only allow him 100,000 words so that's only 3 dinners, either that or it just makes his pension go that little bit further.

Sure to want to play every sport and still talks a good game of football and cricket even if the knees and his itinery won't allow it. Make the most of him whilst you can and don't fall the 'I'll buy the wine on gala night' spoof. Enjoy every minute Wilf.



CCLVIII

Shaun Galloway

Lootus Macmaximus

Lostwithiel, Cornwallshire

Who is this man?? Shaun – mild mannered, charming, softly spoken, polite, pillar of the community, family man, demur tennis player. **Squirty** – expletive comedic sidekick, cross dresser, tasteless, loud, gesticular and boundary pushing.

As we travel through the time tunnel to St. Mary's which one will emerge? What does Jeremy do to him in their room? Is it the sea air? Is it just stage fright? After c. 25 trips which will emerge victorious. Just watch over the 7 days for another adventure with our own Jekyll and Hyde. Hope both of you enjoy the trip!



CCXXXIV

Martin Gibbs

Directius Shambolicus

Puppy Farm

Our redoubtable director-general somehow combines a cheery smile and fleet-footedness along the touchline whilst bellowing wisdom and motivation in equal measures. As 1/2 of our management duo with Mr Organisator, Martin provides the Rod Hull to Jeremy's Emu. (Ed: It's eye-watering, he doesn't take his watch off).

Martin's role also requires him to – just occasionally – apply a firm hand to the Presidents rear. Rumour has it this has been a well-worn routine with this year's Pres long before Eppo's ascendancy to the Big Chair.



CCXIX

Eddie Gladden**Aidus Maximus****Living next door to Simmo**

Arriving shortly after a belly which only a wealthy farmer could afford to maintain, handsomely crowned with his trademark luxuriant coiffure and with faithful retainer Simmo acting as his ears, is it really 47 years since Eddie first (dis)graced the islands?

More pertinently, will he still able to take to the badminton court after his usual Friday night dinner of sucking pig, a side of lamb, two bowls of roast potatoes and a double helping of pudding, washed down by a couple of bottles of Claret. Don't bet against it.



CLXXXI

Jimmy Gray**Seniorservix****McMidlands**

As well as Rabbie Burns, one of Scotland's greatest exports is Jimmy Gray (and Jimmy doesn't spout endless hours of meaningless poetry at anyone that dares to listen).

Jimmy's Tartan Army have had a spectacular year, beating the old enemy at rugby and cricket (not that he has mentioned it), although Scotland weren't so visible at the Football World Cup.

2017 saw one of the greatest comebacks since Elvis was seen working in a fish and chip shop, after a 24 year absence, he bought two grandsons and a grandson-in-law to be, on the trip, all promising to light up the sporting arena, unfortunately injury prevented us from seeing the talent we had been promised.

An enthusiastic supporter never heard to be saying 'we're doomed', driving about on the golf course tearing up the fairways by doing doughnuts in the golf buggy, Jimmy has a good yarn to tell with a wee dram in the bar, luckily for the Mals, Jimmy will bring the trips average age down by a decade or two.

New boys, spare a bit of time to hear some great stories of Mal trips past and why Scotland should be independent.

Great to see you back on the trip Jimmy, look forward to catching up with you.



CCXVI

Alan Guest**Wheelius Bollockoutus****The Signal Box**

This Mal of many guises is guaranteed to be the surprise package (make sure one doesn't pop out Al!) on the trip. New boys take note, spend an hour with Al and you will be enriched with tales, jokes and song, when you distinguish between them, be sure to let us all know!

A master on the hockey pitch, a mean golfer and takes great joy in beating a schoolboy... at ping pong.

Have a great trip Guesty!



CCLXXXVII

Alistair Hick

Golfus Dramaticus

The Second City

After taking a year's sabbatical to deal with the demons after the golf result of 2017, a welcome return for Ali, let's hope all those sessions of back nine motivational coaching have worked their magic.

A star of past thespians, dogged defender on the footie pitch are among the many talents of this sharp dressed Mal.

Welcome back Chemical!



CCCI

Ben Jakes

Flippius Floppus

Under the moon of love

Our rotund bar-tender of yesteryear has been transformed into a newly married slimline yoga practitioner and underwear salesman.

Fortunately for the Mals he is still an outstanding all-round sportsman, dreadful singer and ever-reliable bar fly. Surely it cannot be long before our foot-soldier heads the top table he once laid.



CCLXV

Harry Marsland

Puttus Horribilis

Even further North

Harry returns to the islands following his long trip (but not the longest anymore), from t'up North. The flexi trip seems of distant memory, Harry has been coming to the Islands since 1999, so finding words to describe Harry that hasn't already been said, so here is a couple, 'Southern' and 'Golfer'.

Bringing ex-president credentials with him, where he urged Mals to play up and play the game and to do this with good humour and gamesmanship, oops sorry sportsmanship. Each year Harry seems to be covered in more tape to keep his body intact, hopefully we will see him on the badminton court, cricket ground and if not on the football pitch, leading from the side lines with Cloughesque wisdom.

From his long walks, up mountains (not ruined by carrying golf clubs) and music festivals, Harry is never still, exactly how he is on the islands and sometimes going on unauthorised boating trips.

Looking forward to a few pints of the black stuff with you Harry and the odd duet in the bar later on. Enjoy!



CCLXXXVIII

Pete Nelstrop**Crismus Bonus****JamesDysonshire**

From the Grantham stable, sired by the DG, this thoroughbred is in great form to make the running and support his fellow Lincolnshire stallion David Epton, during his presidency.

Pete has recovered after a recent spell in hospital; apparently some cow kicked Nelly in the belly on the farm, or something like that... (I couldn't quite hear what was being said).

Pete is now approaching the higher echelons of the Mal de Mer Club so watch Pete hold his own on the sports field and off of it. Have a great trip Nelly.



CCLII

Dave Nottingham**Odius Asparagus****Cheltenham**

As we go to press the hierarchy are still undecided on the identity of this year's Football captain. Notty, regardless of the decision, still has a key role to play bolstering the Mals midfield. There is not a blade of grass he hasn't covered at the Garrison over the years, even if the pace is a little slower these days.

Having taken up tennis recently we expect to see him star on the team and bring the same competitive spirit to the court. A great Mal who is always committed on the field and off it. New boys please listen out for his feature song, something about manufacturing challenges in the biomedical industry.



CCXCVIII

Steve Pickard**Varius Flavius****Lords/Lincolnshire**

Steve returns after a short comfort break (and hopefully some general knowledge revision). Actually we are lucky that he's recently finished filming *Hangover 4* – just in time for some proper method acting and preparation for *Hangover 5*. There's also a rumour that Steve will be sharing some of his high grade wine stocks to help the Mals celebrate another Lincolnshire president.

What a bit of Mal's irony that Stevie P's absence last year as the Mal's long standing and most erudite Quiz team captain coincided with the Mal's first victory in that event. Don't worry about that Stevie – just remember Ronaldo's absence in the 2016 Euros Final resulted in Portugal winning its first tournament. However, will he get the vote of confidence from the hierarchy and return to the Islands this year as double Quiz and Darts team captain again?


Equally at home in a Panama hat and MCC blazer, or fishnets and Spandex boob tube... there's a surprise! Good company, good Mal, good to have you back on the trip Stevie P.



CCLXXII	Alex Polhill	Scorus Anticlimax	Cobham/ Chobham somewhere near London
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Having seamlessly filled Roy Bound's shoes we are still treated to complete and utter shambles every morning and evening with announcement of the format and then the results of the day's golf. Roy must have taught him well. Aside from the golf, Alex is a charming, intelligent and organised Mal, it must be the rum or standing up that affects him. Always wears a smile and sure to introduce a format on the day that Smithy will object to.


A real gentleman (golf aside) and good company, seek him out at the bar for a quiet chat if you can before he initiates all the raucous singing and tomfoolery.



CCLXXVIII	Jamie Pooley	Roccus Atlanticus	Under a palm tree
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Well Jamie, last year you became the Man who led the Men. Now, your time is over, your Balls will be removed, your Bell handled by another and your seat filled by a horny-handed rugger-bugger, nudging you towards quiet obscurity on the back benches.


Alternatively you can play hard, sing loud, drink thirstily and out-vulgar Notty, all without the shackles office... The choice is yours but I suspect we know which it will be. Enjoy your trip and welcome back to the ranks!



N/A	Guy Simmons	Egganlettus	Beckingham
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Guy deals in power for a living, so is ideally suited to sit amongst the highly toned athletes of the Mal de Mers. Although heading towards the mid-afternoon of his sporting career, Guy will be game for all the sports especially the wrestling. A handy golfer and with Premiership connections, should be a shoe-in for coach when Harry gets tempted away to manage the 'Gunners' in a few years time.


I know he's looking forward to the helicopter trip!?! Really good to have you on board, have a good'un!




CCXXVI	Paul Simmonds	Semiautomatix	St Eddies Home for Bewildered Gentlefolk
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Simmo's selection as golf captain probably was due to his ability to spot a Golf Organizer Cock-up from two club's length. As there can be up to a dozen of these every day, his life is very busy throughout the stay, especially when you consider his care in the community duties with Eddie in Room 9. They say you have less time to yourself once retired, and Simmo is living proof.

On the golf course he is fiercely competitive, and to unwind after his hectic schedule, Simmo likes nothing more than relaxing with a dark rum'n coke. Buy him one of these and settle back to hear how to right all of the world's wrongs, buy him enough and you'll be in the golf team.



CCXVIII	Andy Smith	Titus Agriculturis	Dock of the Bay
<p><i>'Come on, come on, come on, come on, come on, come on, do you want to be in my gang?' Certainly not if it is on the Poop Deck with no trousers on, oh yeah.</i></p> <p>Smithy is a well-respected, well liked and good all round egg of this great club. New boys, he would like nothing more than you to sit down with him and ask him all about the club and how to behave and respect the islands, he is never one to over-indulge or be late (or even miss) dinner, due to excesses.</p> <p>That said, I heard he used to be an excellent sportsman, now he has had to slow down and only play pub games and golf, which he plays with great grace and dignity. He is the greatest with encouragement from the side of the football pitch and a dandy shot on the clay pigeon shoot.</p> <p>Smithy's greatest talent now lays with the fine performances on guest night in the Thesp's show, always remembering his lines and never laughing mid scene.</p> <p>Great to have you back Smithy, looking forward to great conversation over a few beers.</p>			

CCCII	Dave Truby	Armisurplus	To me, to you
<p>2018 marks Dave's flushing in year with the Mals, and we are looking forward to him getting his number.</p> <p>Dave gained a great status from the first dinner, with his snappy looks/locks and his quick jokes to rival his doppelgänger (see picture on inside back cover). Looking forward to hearing the new ones this year in his regular dinner cabaret slot (but even if he does the same ones it doesn't matter as I have always had too much to drink to remember!)</p> <p>Dave showed great sporting ability on the football pitch and cricket field, exacting revenge on the cricket pitch after he was told he is rubbish by a certain gentleman who had never seen him play.</p> <p>Being the only one out of the three of the Jimmy clan to return, we will be expecting him to drink enough for his 'brother-in-law's' and be a presence for them as well. Will he be calling Jimmy "Papa" this year?</p> <p>Really delighted to see you on the trip again Dave, you certainly are Truby-Scrumptious.</p> <p>Schtiing!</p>			

CCCX	Jim Ward	Justforkix	'Ave it!
<p>Jim is a great addition to the Mals sporting armoury over the last couple of years. He has the vision (i.e. he can still see without glasses or contact lenses) and physique (i.e. his hamstrings still work) that many older Mals look back on with envy. Yes it's been great to get some talented youth coming out of the Lincolnshire stable. Let's hope Jim and his Dads' devotion and inseparability last long into the future.</p> <p>A chip off the old Rock, Jim has similarly displayed a combination of mild mannered (well it depends a bit on what stage of the evening it is) laconic determination and the willingness to have a go at anything to help the trip. He is also getting on a lot better with the Islanders now he knows that the quaint Lincolnshire Summer Fayre event of Wife Throwing isn't included in the game of hockey against the islands.</p> <p>Jim – good to have you on the trip again and hope it's your best one yet.</p>			

CCLXVIII

Stewart Ward

Bilius Maximus

Asleep in a car

Laconic, solid, strong, calm in all weather conditions, immovable, occasionally goes missing in the fog... all the attributes of a rock...The Rock. Stewart is thoroughly dependable, versatile and an accomplished hockey and badminton player on the Islands. He has also kept wicket on a number of occasions – think of a grumpy Jack Russell... the dog not the Gloucestershire and England cricketer.

Although as a past president he has mellowed a bit he can still be the instigator of some good Mal mischief at dinner. Always good to have Wardy on the trip and it will help us all to relax a bit more knowing that his son is here as chaperone again.



CCLXXXIV

Keith Williams

Spotkickus Trashius

Disneyland

No baby sitting for Serena for this Williams sister 'I'm off to the Scillies!' This pocket rocket will show youngs Mals he's not run out of fuel yet, his competitiveness and class shows in abundance at any sport he's asked to perform, and there is always enough in the tank for a late night in the bar.

Have a great trip Keith!



"Mmmm, are you quite sure Wardy hasn't had a wazz in this? I don't entirely trust that rascal".

Absent friends

With around 100 invitations going out this year, there are inevitably a large number of Mals unable to join us.

The Organizer would like to thank all who took the time to reply and those who did are listed here:

Sam Lighting	Dave Windeatt
Dave Martin	Mark Coombes
David Showell	Bob Coombes
Kieran Counihan	Russ Meads
Dave Dallaway	Kenny Boyle
Graham Willington	Mark Rhode
Steve Dann	Geoff Snell
Phil Jones	Reg Cutts
Paul Williams	Darryl Foulks

CHUCKLE BROTHERS TRIBUTE

CHUCKLES 1



The Bearded Chuckle Brothers captured at their 2017 sell-out gig in the Scillonian Club. A rumoured repeat in 2018 is eagerly anticipated.

CHUCKLES 2



Not a responsible adult in sight, as the Lincolnshire Chuckle Brothers are caught playing with fire. Both should, of course, know better.

*Meanwhile, less Chuckle and more guzzle...
Can anyone identify this thirsty Mal?
Let's hope he has kept his trousers on this time.*



MAL'S ARMY



By way of celebrating the Mals 86th anniversary, the Isles of Scilly Council recently launched this collectors set of Royal Mail stamps. Featuring many of your favourite characters, they can be purchased from all good newsagents (and Clive Mumford).

