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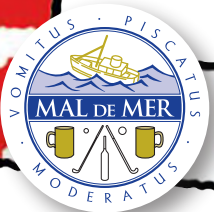
WHERE'S WARDY?

**JIMMY GOOLD:
MEMORIES OF
OUR FOUNDER**

**FOOTBALL:
TALKING TACTICS
WITH SMITHY**

READERS' WIVES

**INCOMING PRESIDENT PROMISES TO BUY
BEER TO ALL THOSE REMEMBERING TO
RETURN THEIR GOLF TROPHIES
(AND HEAVY FINES FOR THOSE
WHO DON'T)**



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After celebrating his Nearest the Pin prize at the Golf Day, Simmo attempts to park himself in a disabled spot. Sherbert-related temporary disablement doesn't count, Simmo!

WHERE'S WARDY?



PRESIDENT

S T E W A R T W A R D

Wednesday 28th September

to

Tuesday 4th October

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WHERE'S WARDY?

PRESIDENT Stewart Ward

PAST PRESIDENTS

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

Organizator
Director General
Auditor
Treasurer

J. Chadwick
M. Gibbs
R. Farr
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.

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, Squash, 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



This will not be a 'Golf Trip', more of a rugby tour.

I know. Some of you feared there would be no golf on this year's trip. I'm assured that those who want to play, can, and those that don't still have to.

I have also been assured that the 'discrimination' against Goofers will no longer be tolerated and in fact 'positive discrimination' will be encouraged by including one Goofer in the golf team (I'm not available). The individual will be decided in the usual way – by sucking up to the golf captain.

I feel very honoured to be chosen as President in an Olympic year. To follow in the steps of past illustrious sporting Presidents (with the exception of 2000), all of whom have led us on trips in these special years. I am sure and hope that the Olympics (and Para-Olympics Eddie) will motivate and inspire the Mals to great victories in all the sports and pastimes.





To our New Boys and those Mals that don't know, I can quote a few golden rules from the Scillies Syllabus of 1939, which are still relevant today:

- All members over 40 years of age will deduct 20 years on joining the party
- To the young members - we enjoy your youth, we hope you likewise admire our maturity!
- All members should be ready for anything
- All ladies under 40 are nieces of the DG.

I trust the same splendid spirit of previous trips will prevail, that new friendships will be made, new characters (good and bad) discovered.

As I have said, this will be more of a rugby trip, enjoy yourselves, but please remember to study and respect the reasonable wishes and traditions of the Islanders before you beat them!

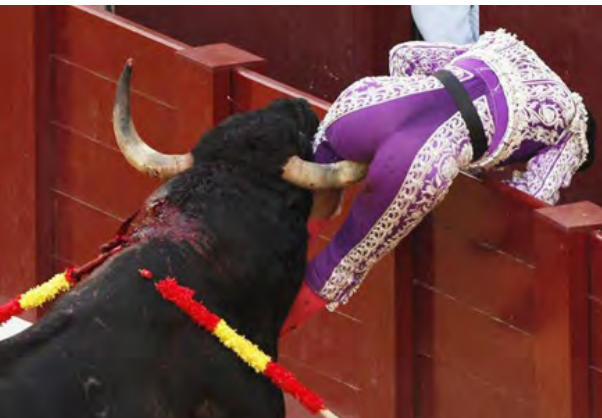
ENJOYABUM REPEATABUM ET SATISFACTUM DONUM ACCOUNTUM

(Keep enjoying yourself and give a good account of yourself.)

STEWART WARD

President Elect 2016

In his early years, Stewart's entrepreneurial spirit had him trying to produce the first ever convertible Range Rover. Rather clumsily it was created via a mis-match with a combine harvester and ultimately deemed a failure.



"Start every day with a smile, and get it over with."

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 2015 TRIP

	TEXAS SCRAMBLE	J. Davidge, D. Windeatt, D. Dallaway, J. Kerby
GOOFERS:	MORGAN MUG	P. Nelstrop
	NOSWORTHY NOGGIN	P. Calfe
GOLFERS:	PERRY POT	J. Davidge
	BISHOP'S BEAKER	P. Simmonds
	GEORGE TWIST TANKARDS	E. Gladden, M. Rohde
	BEST GROSS	Andy Smith

GOLF HANDICAPS



GOLFERS	HANDICAP
Keith Williams	5
Paul Simmonds	10
Andy Smith	10
Martin Gibbs	15
Jamie Pooley	15
Joss Davidge	18
Alex Polhill	18
Jeremy Chadwick	20
Eddie Gladden	20
Shaun Galloway	20
Alan Guest	20
Ben Jakes	20
Roy Bound	21
Dave Martin	?
Tom Elsbury	?
Kenny Boyle	?
Jim Ward	?
Ray Farr	22
Mark Lee	?

Alistair Hick	22
Graham Willington	24
Rob Epton	26

GOOFERS	HANDICAP
Geoff Snell	28
Paul Calfe	28
Jack Davidge	28
Dave Epton	28
Harry Marsland	28
Pete Nelstrop	28
Stewart Ward	28
Tom Mileham	28
Brian Peacock	28
Myles Galloway	28
Rory Galloway	28
Steve Pickard	28

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.

Note:

Not everyone indicated their handicaps on the reply slips or via email as requested. So previous records have been used as a start point.

If yours differs from that above, please advise the Golf Organizer at the earliest opportunity.



The splendid (nearly) new **President's Endeavour Trophy** awarded for the Mal who has *taken part* in the most events over the trip.

2015 winner:
Tom Mileham

GOLF DAY

President's Golf Day

ROBINSON RECEPTACLE

Winner	Ray Farr	41 pts
2 nd	Eddie Gladden	40 pts
3 rd (on countback)	Dave Nottingham	35 pts
Nearest the Pin	The President, Paul Simmonds, Andy Smith, Alex Polhill	
Longest Drive	Martin Gibbs	



Top dog, Ray shows his pedigree by winning the 2016 Golf Day.

Friday 6th May 2016

We had 37 players (including 4 New Boys) plus 1 official buggy driver for Mr Farr.



Runner up, Eddie can't believe he's scored 40 points and not won!

Shaun was spotted in Woking McDonald's at 1.30am after the Golf Day, where he is believed to have spent the night, drowning his sorrows with the rest of his clan, the McFlurries.



You're supposed to hit the ball, Joss!

PRESIDENT



A Profile of our President

Stewart Ward

In an ever-changing world, a great joy of the Mals is the predictable constancy. The sporting challenges, the songs, the jokes and, allegedly, the underwear remain the same year in, year out.

But yet we look forward to the flushing in of a new President with excitement and anticipation (speak for yourself – Ed), for another great joy of our Club is the sheer variety of humanity (and in Smithy's case, beyond) contained within.

This year sees a change in Presidency of greater contrast than our cousins across the pond will see if Trump replaces Obama.

Last year's chair was occupied by Joss, the very model of smooth urbanity, an apostle of this digital age.

This year, we have a leader of iron *will* and razor-sharp steel *won't*: it's Wardy's turn....

If you were to hand-pick a Mal to man the trenches (and probably dig them too), Stewart would be top of the list.

Since his first trip as a new-boy in 2000 under the fatherly guidance of our now-DG, Stewart has cut a resolute figure, whether keeping behind the stumps, glowering across the badminton net or staring down the fairway wondering where the hell his drive has gone. Indeed, his greatest sporting contribution to the Mals has been as the force behind the transformation of our hockey team, from being a press-ganged rag-tag of stick-wavers into our most consistent performers and regular victors, playing with a ruthless discipline and will-to-win epitomised by the man who has become known as The Rock.

Wisely leaving oratory and diplomacy to those not hewn from such granite, Stewart will doubtless lead by example.

So this year we follow Agrarian Ward, Lincolnshire's finest.

New President, same old Mals? We'll see.



Our 2016 President

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.

2015 AGM

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on St. Mary's – 1st October 2015

Present Hierarchy

Apologies N/A

Election of officers

PRESIDENT Joss Davidge 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 Stewart Ward.

Treasurer's Report

These are uncertain times with much geopolitical turmoil in the financial markets. Uncertainty often causes markets to fall and businesses to sit on their hands and defer on important long terms decisions. Such are the weighty decisions that your treasurer has to contemplate each day.

Thankfully I don't actually do much and the world keeps turning and the Mals' finances stay roughly where they were.

So another boring year, with another small, boring surplus retaining the clubs funds intact.

New Boys on the trip

Jack Davidge, Tom Mileham, Martin Breddy, Volker Eberle

New members flushed in

Darrell Foulk, Mark Rohde, Paul Williams, Jules Kerby

Organizator's Report

The enthusiasm and camaraderie of the Mals is a constant delight, however in order to ensure we're here to celebrate in years to come, the influx of a few younger New Boys would be a welcome addition – keep an eye open chaps!

There being no further business, the meeting closed.

2015 REPORT



Report on the 2015 Trip – 2015: A Scilly Odyssey

Where does the time go? Another year, another trip. Thirty-six stout men and true gathered at the refurbished airport at Lands End for a sporting extravaganza on the beautiful Isles of Scilly. Well only just thirty six, one Mal had been left behind only to be picked up by the under chauffeur!

The flag was raised on time (albeit by a thread) signifying the eighty-third anniversary of the Mal de Mer Club's formation.



Our Monday trip to St Martins had been cancelled so a trip to St Agnes, and the Turks Head had been deemed a reasonable substitution. Twenty plus Mals took to the balmy waters while the rest took to the beer and pasties. Despite ordering at least five pasties, Admiral Snell made do with just the one.

Captains picked their squads and then the 'Games' commenced.

A strong **tennis** squad with various internationals made light work of the St Mary's tennis team **winning 3-0** just the start we needed! Down at the school Alan Guest's **table tennis** team also **won 9-7**. A closely fought **volleyball** match ended in a **2-0 victory**, well done Alistair. Could we make it a clean sweep Yessirree! Jules aka 'Meadowlark' Kerby led a spirited team to a **20-8 victory**. Just what the President ordered, 4-0! Was it the preparation or was it the pint and a pastie? We shall never know, but we'll have it all the same.

First night dinner. The DG introduced our minders for the week, and President Harry performed his final official duty by flushing in Joss Davidge for 2015.

New Boys Darrel Foulk, Mark Rohde, Paul Williams and Jules Kerby were also flushed in.

Thinking he was going to be on the trip on his own, President Joss had brought along a whole posse of New Boys. He introduced the Mals to his son Jack, plus Tom Mileham and Martin Breddy. Mark Rohde then introduced us to Volker Eberle, who was on his way back to South Africa via Scilly. As it says in the brochure it was now 'Beer o'clock!'

Thursday started and finished warm and sunny. The golf course was in excellent

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condition and the **Perry Pot** and **Morgan Mug** were won by **President Davidge** and **Pete Nelstrop** respectively.

Time for the **beach**! Paul Calfe made his debut as manager in the **beach football**, and as they say in the song, *Things can only get better!* Not only were we narrowly defeated (**4-6**) but we played in the wrong strip! Probably the most disappointing part of the whole shambolic affair was the manager trying to blame the DG for the wrong shirt fiasco! Schoolboy error!

The **swimming** team took the plunge again.

Possibly due to the wrong wind and tide the **Scilly regatta team did not show**. A very disconsolate Admiral Schnell announced "Pasties all round!" to try and keep spirits up. Not going quite so well now, would the **beach volleyball** team regain our momentum? In short no! Dave Dallaway's All-Stars narrowly **failed 0-2**, but at least they had the correct kit! Just the **hockey** to go before supper. Could the "Rock's Boys" stop the rot? Would they be wearing the right kit? Affirmative to both. Despite going one down at half time (against the run of play) the captain made a brave decision and took himself off to referee the second half. We **won 4-1**, a good marker etc. No seriously, a great team effort and a well deserved victory. I wish Wardie would take himself off more often! (And I don't mean to Juliette's Garden!).



Hey Jamie,
have you been
working out?



An all-action shot from the hotly
contested hockey match.

No time to linger at Tregarthen's – it's Scillonian Club time. **Darts** ended in a **2-5 loss**, but victory in the **pool (5-2)** and **snooker (2-1)** redressed the balanced and gave the Mals a good excuse for a singsong back at Tregarthen's. With the overall score standing at 7-3 to the Mals, what would tomorrow bring?

Bright sunshine greeted the Mals at breakfast. Indigestion soon followed as the Golf Organizer explained in fluent Swahili the golf competition rules and handicap system.



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Where's Roy when you need him? The nine hole American foursomes competition for the **George Twist tankards** was won by **Eddie Gladden** and **Mark Rohde**. Handy result considering Mark Rohde hadn't returned, or engraved his tankard from two years ago! An apparition that appeared on the course during the competition was later identified as Roy Bound. Just shows you must be careful what you wish for!

Time for reflection out on the clubhouse decking, waiting for our opponents to appear. Most of the golf matches went down to the wire but unfortunately, although closer than last year the **Mals went down 3.5-5.5**. I think we need the Golf Organizer to set some new rules for next year!

Unfortunately the **bowls** also ended in **defeat 14-21**. When do we start to panic? President Joss reassured all the Mals that we were still on course and despatched the badminton team to the sports hall. The **badminton** used to be a spectator sport, but by the time the crowd arrived at the hall, the dastardly deed had been done and the Mals, although giving their all, **went down 1-3**. Bring back Ray Farr!

Would the Islanders draw level? Not when we have 'Buffalo Bill' Epton on the **Shooting** team! A great team effort and superb leadership led to a comfortable **victory 59.2-58**. Have it! Frightened by our marksmanship the Islanders took their arrows home and the **archery** was **cancelled**. Definitely time for a singsong! I'm sure we could release a Christmas album!

Before you know it, it's Saturday. The weather again was monotonously bright.

I think Alex had sent for Roy as a golf consultant to help explain the handicap system. I hope he didn't pay too much, as that feeling of *deja vu* came over the Mals! Everyone completely perplexed, humoured Alex and Roy, and just filled their scorecards in. The result ended with **Paul Simmonds** winning the **Bishop's Beaker** and **Paul (does my team look good in this?) Calfe** winning the Goofers, **Nosworthy Noggin**.

A change in the *Brochure* led to the Mals playing a mixed Island **cricket** team. Ably captained by Jamie Pooley, the Island team were restricted to 110 runs and with seven balls to spare the **Mals comfortably knocked them off**. With some young legs in the side, optimism for the first **football** match against the Woolpack Wanderers was

at a ten year high. Coach, Andy Smith after last year's debacle, had got some more badges but unfortunately they were out of a cornflake packet and we were **defeated 7-1**. Not quite a reflection of the Mals' endeavour, however an improvement all the same, although still a loss.

Tregarthens had kindly laid on a big screen sport, so the Mals could watch World Cup rugby, England v Australia. Seemed a good idea at



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the time. I can say with much authority that no inspiration was gathered from our national team.

Still more sport before bed, the **Cleverdicks Challenge** and the **Boat Race**.

Who would believe the Mals quiz team would consist of some of its greatest sceptics! The closest contest since its inception led to the Mals being **narrowly defeated**. Well done and commiserations to Shaun, Pete, Jamie and David.

Ben Jakes selected his team for the drink off, all stout men and true. Not stout enough and we **lost by at least one pint**. Time for more drink to help us forget.

Ah a lie in, it must be Sunday! Storms were forecast and the Islanders were on our tails, with shooting, cricket, tennis and football on today's menu – would they get in front?

Out first was our own 'Hole in the Wall Gang', Butch Gladden and the Sundance Smith! Eddie's early nights paid off, earning the title of 'Top Gun' and the gang also **winning the gunfight!** Great start to the day.

Next up, Tresco **tennis**. The Islanders after a heavy defeat on day one, decided to employ a sports psychologist to play with our minds! Not only did they turn up late, they only brought three team members! A closer match, with the **Islanders winning 2-1**, but **losing on aggregate 2-4**.

Jamie's all star **cricket** team with victory still in their nostrils took on a rampant Tresco team. Their openers were never troubled and hit the bowlers all over the field. Scoreboard pressure proved too much and the **Mals never really got close**, and the rain came too late. Back to St Mary's for **footie**. A more competitive game resulted in the **Mals losing 1-4**. Even-Steven for the day.



Looks like the second islander has started already – surely the result needs over-ruling!



Clive yet again gets his hands on the Cleverdicks trophy.

2015 REPORT (contd.)



Guest night dinner, always good chance to catch up with our Island friends. The meal as usual was of the highest standard and President Joss made everyone welcome with his heartfelt words. Andrew Hicks responded on behalf of the Islanders (preparing him for his Sky debut), with some kind words about the Mals. Linda Todd, headmistress of the Five Islands School, told us that Cameron Hicks was the recipient of the Mal de Mer Merit Trophy and the reasons for his award. Well done Cameron.

Various Mals from Lincolnshire won the '100 Club' draw, and with that the room was cleared for the **Thespians** take on **2015: a Scilly Odyssey**.

A plot! A storyline! What a difference a year makes. "It's acting Jim but not as we know it!" "One of the best musicals this year!" Joss Davidge, The Brochure 2015.

Monday, last full day (just). A foggy morning greeted the Mals on the golf course. **The Texas Scramble** was won by the **Prez, Dave Dallaway, Jules Kerby and Dave Windeatt**. The rearranged **cricket** match against St Mary's was sadly **cancelled** due to overnight rain on the run ups, and the **gig racing cancelled** due to the fog, All very unfortunate! What's a Mal to do? "I know, let's have sing song down the Mermaid"! Just like old times, a real good finish to a great trip!



Spock, Bones and Virgil enjoying their supper.

Still the **Themed Dinner** to go. Every year Carina and her able crew astound us with their creative skills. The reception/bar area was out of this world but the 'piece de resistance' was the dining room, decked out as the helm of the Starship Enterprise, and the Mals decked out like something out of a 'black hole.' Well done Carina! Astronaut food was served in plastic bags and absolutely delightful.

OH NO! It's bill paying time. Would it be foggy in the morning?

Breakfast was the usual disjointed affair with goodbyes liberally banded about, knowing we would meet again at the airport. Little did we know apart from three Mals and a New Boy we would all be stranded until catching the boat at 4.00pm! The usual sea-sick sweep was initiated and credit to all the Mals, no one was a winner! (Apart from the 100 Club.)

Many thanks to all on Scilly, Tregarthens, the President, and a special thank you to the Organizer for all his hard work. The Pastie saga, now just a distant memory!

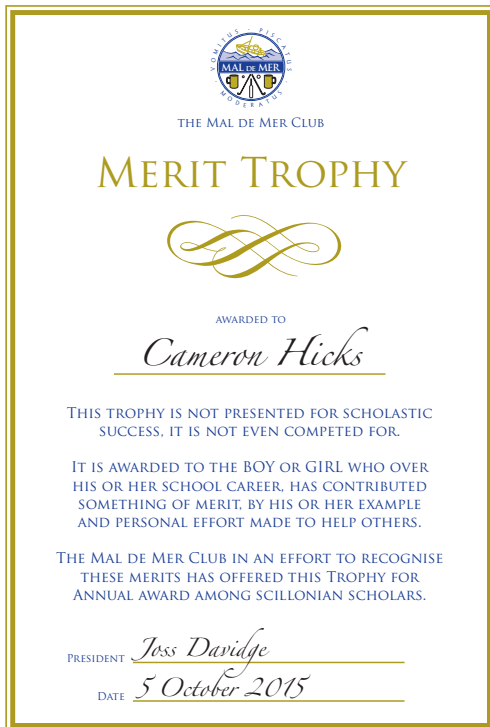
MERIT TROPHY

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 2015 The Merit Trophy was awarded to Cameron Hicks.

For the benefit of those Mals who are not familiar with the criteria upon which the recommendation for the award is made, the certificate which accompanies the trophy is reproduced.



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!**

SURPRISE SURPRISE!



Word reached us of a major incident in May when, during an inter-Island trip, our very own vessel of choice, *The Surprise*, began shipping water. Captain Paul Smith, his crew and assorted local craft (and lifeboat) ensured a swift and safe recovery for all in this difficult situation.

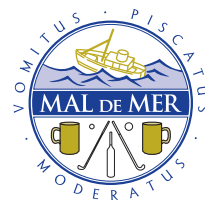
As a result, and as a purely precautionary procedure, the heirarchy have advised the Cricket Captain to only select his team from those Mals in possession of their 25m breaststroke certificates. Please be sure to bring that on the trip is you wish to be considered for the Tresco cricket match.



SUMMARY OF GAMES

Event	Date	Place	Time	Holders	
Archery	Friday, September 30	Rifle Range	8.30 pm	Islands	
Badminton	Friday, September 30	School	8.30 pm	Islands	
Basketball	Wednesday, September 28	School (staff)	5.45 pm	Islands	
Beach Football	Thursday, September 29	Porthmellon Beach	2.30 pm	Drawn	
Beach Volleyball	Thursday, September 29	Porthmellon Beach	5.00 pm	Islands	
Boat Race	Saturday, October 1	Tregarthens' Terrace	10.45 pm	Islands	
Bowls	Friday, September 30	Golf Club	2.00 pm	Mals	
Cricket	Saturday, October 1	Garrison v St. Mary's	1.30 pm	Mals	
	Sunday, October 2	Tresco	1.00 pm	Islands	
	Monday, October 3	St. Martin's	1.15 pm	Mals	
Darts	Thursday, September 29	Scillonian Club	8.30 pm	Drawn	
Football	Saturday, October 1	Garrison Ground	5.00 pm	Islands	
	Sunday, October 2	Garrison Ground	5.15 pm		
Gig Racing	Monday, October 3	Harbour	6.00 pm	Cancelled	
Golf	Thursday, September 29 Golfers - Perry Pot 9 holes Goofers - Morgan Mug 9 holes	Golf Course	9.00 am		
	Friday, September 30 Golfer/Goofer - George Twist Tankard Match -v- The Islanders	Golf Course	9.00 am 1.30 pm	Islands	
	Saturday, October 1 Golfers - Bishop's Beaker 9 holes Goofers - Nosworthy Noggin 9 holes	Golf Course	9.00 am		
	Monday, October 3 Texas Scramble 9 holes	Golf Course	9.00 am		
	Hockey	Thursday, September 29	School	5.00 pm	Mals
	Pool	Thursday, September 29	Scillonian Club	8.30 pm	Islands
Quiz	Saturday, October 1	Tregarthens'	9.45 pm	Islands	
Sailing Regatta	Thursday, September 29	Porthmellon Beach	4.00 pm	Mals	
Shooting: Rifle:	Friday, September 30	Rifle Range	8.30 pm	Islands	
	Clays: Sunday, October 2	Venue TBA	10.00 am	Mals	
Snooker	Thursday, September 29	Scillonian Club	7.45 pm	Drawn	
Table Tennis	Wednesday, September 28	School (pupils)	4.30 pm	Islands	
Tennis	Wednesday, September 28	Garrison Ground	3.00 pm	Mals	
	Sunday, October 2	Tresco	1.00 pm	Mals	
Volleyball	Wednesday, September 28	School (pupils)	5.15 pm	Mals	

TEAM CAPTAINS



Sport		Islanders	Mal de Mers
Archery		Steve Whomersley	Alex Polhill
Badminton		Tony Ackarya	Eddie Gladden
Basketball		Martyn Songhurst	Keith Williams
Beach Football		Russ Hutchins	Paul Cafe
Beach Volleyball		Martyn Songhurst	Myles Galloway
Boat Race		Russ Hutchins	Ben Jakes
Bowls		David Corners	Graham Willington
Cricket	St. Mary's:	Kane Goddard	Captain: Jamie Pooley
	Tresco:	Mike Foster	
	St. Martin's	Tony Goddard	
Darts		Jock MacDonald	Steve Pickard
Football		Andy Hicks	Harry Marsland
Gig Racing		t.b.c.	Joss Davidge
Golf		Gerald Thompson	Paul Simmonds
Hockey		Selena Baxter	Rob Epton
Pool		t.b.c.	Dave Martin
Quiz		Clive Mumford	The President
Sailing		Richard Mills	Pete Nelstrop
Shooting:	Rifle:	Steve Whomersley	David Epton
	Clay Pigeon:	Roger Banfield	Andy Smith
Snooker		t.b.c.	Ray Farr
Table Tennis		Martyn Songhurst	Alan Guest
Tennis		John Morley	Shaun Galloway
Volleyball		Martyn Songhurst	Alistair Hick

HOW NOT TO BEHAVE!

This disgraceful act was captured from the 2015 trip. As yet we've not been able to identify the perpetrator, so should you recognise him, please advise the President, who will punish him accordingly.



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.

WHERE'S WARDY?

DUTIES



Officer of the Day

This post was created some years ago and has run smoothly for many years. Remember the duties should be undertaken responsibly.

These are:

- 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 on to the Golf Organizer.
- To collect fines and pass them on to the Treasurer.
- To assist the DG, Organizer and President in any other task required.
- To raise the Mal de Mer flag pre-breakfast every morning and lower pre-dinner each evening.

Baggage Masters

The Baggage Masters are to ensure that all golf clubs are picked up from and delivered back to the heliport at the appropriate times. On arrival at Tregarthens Hotel, 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!!

DRESS CODE

PLEASE NOTE:

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

Morning

Casual – sweaters, slacks, 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.

Blue ties and lapel badges are now in stock. See the Organizer should you need an upgrade. Do not wear colours that clash.

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.
Soccer	Once again the Mals' shirts are provided, so be sure to bring boots, shorts, socks, shin pads and Alice-band.
Hockey	The Scillyquant 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 permitted.
Boat trips	Some form of waterproof clothing and a Mal de Mer fleece (see the DG for this). Plastic sheets available on board if it gets really rough.
Gig Racing	Shorts, T-shirt and shoes you don't mind getting wet.

FLIGHTS

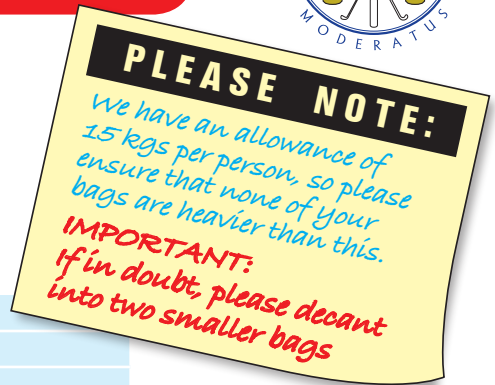


Wednesday 28th September 2016 Skybus from Land's End Airport

FIRST FLIGHT (x6):

Baggage Master: Ray Farr
Report to airport check-in: 8.00 am
Depart: 9.00 am

Geoff Snell	Ray Farr
Alex Polhill	Graham Willington
Andy Smith	Eddie Gladden



SECOND FLIGHT (x6):

Baggage Master: Ben Jakes
Report to airport check-in: 8.10 am
Depart: 9.10 am

Martin Gibbs	Pete Nelstrop	Ben Jakes
Steve Pickard	Rob Epton	Dave Epton

THIRD FLIGHT (x11):

Baggage Master: Keith Williams
Report to airport check-in: 8.15 am
Depart: 9.15 am

Paul Simmonds	Jamie Pooley	Alan Guest
Keith Williams	Roy Bound	Brian Peacock
Alistair Hick	Harry Marsland	Paul Calfe
Jeremy Chadwick	Dave Martin	

FOURTH FLIGHT (x11):

Baggage Master: Tom Mileham
Report to airport check-in: 8.30 am
Depart: 9.30 am

Kenny Boyle	Joss Davidge	Jack Davidge
Tom Elsbury	Tom Mileham	Myles Galloway
Shaun Galloway	Rory Galloway	Stewart Ward
Jim Ward	Mark Lee	

There will be a bus waiting at the airport to deliver you to the hotel. There is a £7 return charge for this service, so be prepared (and hang on to your ticket!)

'100' CLUB

The 100 Club has now been in existence for a number of years and for any new readers its purpose is to assist new young sportsmen who would find it difficult to afford the full cost of the trip. These new boys are essential to the survival of the club in providing competitive sport against the Islanders.

There are three draws during the year for **£50** and **£25** and on the trip for **£100** and **£50**. The tickets cost **£12** each.

Please support the 100 Club generously by contacting Roy Bound or Paul Simmonds. There's no limit to the amount of tickets you can buy!

For everybody's interest, the winners during last year were;

2015 Trip	£100	Pete Nelstrop
	£50	Rob Epton
Christmas Draw	£50	Alisha Windeatt
	£25	Charlotte Banfield
Easter Draw	£50	Charlotte Banfield
	£25	Jackie Robins
Golf Day	£50	Sam Lighting
	£25	Paul Williams

For all those people who have paid in the last year, you will have one last chance to win on the trip, then the new sequence will begin.

Well done to Roy and Paul and our thanks to those Islanders who continue to support the 100 Club.

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:

Dave Showell	Russ Meads	John Williams	Dave Nottingham
Ciaron Sykes	Vic Woodfield	Christophe Borens	Dave Dallaway
Graham Izzard	Bob Coombes	Phil Jones	Graham Nottingham
Steve Dann	Glenn Dann	Reg Cutts	Paul Williams
Kieran Counihan	Ben Guest	Matt Hughes	Mark Coombes
Wilf Feely	Colin Izzard	Jimmy Gray	Tom Woodhouse

TALKING TACTICS

with Head Coach, Andy Smith



The two-point plan

1 STYLE AND APPROACH

This year we're going to play orgy football. The Scilly team will know they are going to get it, but they don't know from whom or where.

2 FORMATION AND TEAM SELECTION

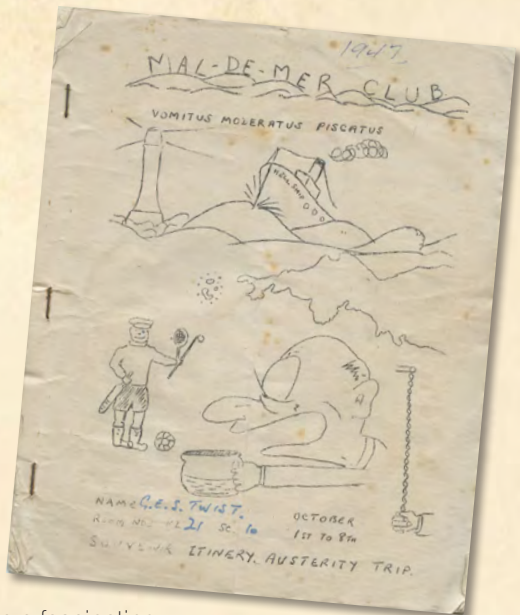
Based on the recent run of poor results on the Garrison Pitch, the Heirarchy have advised me to abandon any fancy tactical instructions and select my team based on this tried and tested formula ...



Mals Trip 1947

Further to last year's copy of the 1936 brochure, this year we have acquired George Twist's original copy of the 1947 'Austerity Trip' brochure.

This was kindly forwarded to the Organizer by David Waters, the grandson of our founder 'Uncle Jimmy' Gould. After further contact, David and his brother Patrick have been kind enough to note down memories of their grandfather, which can be read on the following pages. They are a fascinating insight and tell the tale of a hugely charismatic individual who had the foresight, personality and drive to conceive the idea of the Mal de Mer trip, the success of which we are all enjoying so many (84!) years on. Thanks again to David and Patrick for giving us the opportunity to learn more about 'Uncle Jimmy' so that the stories can live on for future Mals.



I have called this trip "Austerity Trip" in keeping with the times, not that anyone will be "austere" in the accepted sense - we hope. Austerity, coupled with the absence of our "printer" member Flyn Vaughan precludes the notes I hope to give you the layout of the trip and description and merits of the members.

The Club.

This society of nondescripts from N.S. E. & W. was formed in 1932 and has now approximately 120 members active and non-active. The founder members were :

G.H. Briggs.
J.W. Deacon.
J. Elliott.
W.H. Gould.
R. Humm.
W.J. James.
C. Leach.
D.G. Mackay.
E.F. Morgan.
V.W.R. Nation.

S.V. Pearce.
T.C.L. Poole.
P. Rolleston.
R.S. Spooner.
R.A. Stead.
J. Stuckland.
C. Webber.
K. Wibberley.
G.C. Willis.

Officers.

Our President is E. Perry Morgan and the past-Presidents are Sir Harry and the E.H. Maddocks and The Archbishop C.S. Asbury all with us on the trip.

E. Perry Morgan - known as "Perry" is our President this year, as he was last year, he was a founder member and the first founder member to become President - he has done much by his example on and off the field to build up the traditions of our Club. Lives in Cornwall, played Hockey for Cornwall - always plays the

- 2 -
Game - President Perry is a real Mal-de-Mer.
MALDEMERUM MAGNUM BONUM.

Sir Harry, our 1st past President, gained fame on the 1934 trip by playing football at age 60 - being the roughest man on the field - I might say "ferocious", and also by being the youngest man at heart on the trip - his example of good sportsmanship and good fellowship, and how to grow old gracefully will never be surpassed.

He is with us again this year, and long may he be spared to enjoy good health and join us.

He gained his title by his "gentle" behaviour off the field, but nearly lost it on the field - in fact he was given a few unbecoming titles by his opponents!

SECUNDUS NUN DIGNATUS.

The Archbishop started off as a Bishop, but was promoted by general approval of all - he gained his name by his dignified appearance, his high outlook on life and his couplets in regard to Bishops of Exeter and Chichester.

He is the longest sufferer of sea sickness - he is the most vociferous vomiter of the Club he has endured more discomfort than any. He has now been granted a dispensation to fly to the islands - as we prefer him alive rather than dead, and wish to prolong his life with our Club. He is with us again to the delight of all - to those who do not know him I ask you to accept the fact that he is far friendlier than he looks or sounds on the golf course.

DIGNIFICUS PERSONIFI US.

Hon. Secretary.

Victor Nation by residence in Cornwall and his frequent visits to the Islands - he has nearly become an Islander but still plays on our side - he keeps club records and our good name in Cornwall and the Islands.

NUNQUAM NON PARATUS.

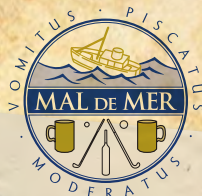
The Founder & Organiser.

is Jimmie Gould - known as Uncle Jimmie - he does his best to arrange and study the welfare of all members - his programme is drawn up to do as much as can be done - to carry out the ideals and aims of the Club, and he looks to all members new and old to help him to attain his object.

NON COMPOS MENTIS.

Qualification of Membership.

1. A good report from another member, and approval of Organiser and a second invitation to join trip next year.
2. A team spirit outlook, with a real sense of humour.
3. Ability to smile and be always cheerful, even aboard Scillonian!
4. Ability to carry all you consume! (Exemption aboard Scillonian).
5. A desire to radiate friendly cheerfulness at all times.
6. A clean mind and conscience.
7. A willingness at all times to "join in and have a go".
8. A real desire to absorb and carry on the Mal-de-Mer spirit, on and off the trip.



Requirements

1. Grey flannel bags (no dressing up).
2. Sports gear (all you can collect).
3. Golf clubs, a good supply of balls, and a sense of direction!
4. A good constitution and sea sick pills.

Aims and ideals of Club.

Our aims are to give good opposition at all sports to all islanders and in doing so to set a good example of sportsmanship - ever remembering the will to play the game comes before the will to win! Our ideals are the practice of good fellowship at all times under all conditions, and to put the other fellows enjoyment before our own, and by so doing enjoy oneself the more.

The list of members on the trip is given at the end of these notes - see you get to know them all and let them know you.

BIS FUERI SENES.

General.

Since our last trip we have lost a real sympathy goes out to Albert and his family, we shall miss her cheerful and friendly interest in us all, she was a real personality and the Islands and our Club are the poorer for her passing - she will always be in our memory as one who was a good friend and who did so much to make our visits so happy and successful.

This year we shall miss the faces of Alec Falconer (The Sheik) Tiny Vaughan, Bill Clifford and Dr. Jack "The Perret" - they have emigrated.

to S. Africa, and I understand will be having a "get together" to synchronise with the trip. "The Sheik" writes to say he is forming a Mal-de-Mer Branch in S. Africa - to carry out our aims and ideals - we wish them success and happiness wherever they are and in all they do.

We have a number of new faces amongst us this trip, and we give them a warm welcome, they come with good "credentials" and we hope they enjoy being with us, and we enjoy having them with us, and so according to rule they will be invited again and so according to full membership.

SATISFACTUM DONUM ACCOENTUM

We also have certain pre-war members with us again (see notes) and we welcome them back.

We shall miss Biographic Bill and his pleasant personality and all his good work - he has important duties with another "brotherhood" which must take precedence.

This years trip gives us extra time on the Islands, and the programme is made a little less strenuous (not much). We shall visit St. Agnes for a darts match on their board presented by Club, and renew our friendships with all our old friends.

We are rather short of the "younger type" this trip and hope that the older type will classify themselves as young enough to help out on the games.

Cost of Trip.

This year, at the suggestion of several members, and with the idea of lessening the work of the "Organiser", a payment of £10 will be called for before starting off, and no further payments be requested till end of trip.

Our Orator and Accountant George Twist will hold your money, and will reimburse the Organiser who will pay all a/c's.

SECCIONUM ARTUM

The approximate costs will be as follows (based on last years trip).

11.6	Journey down	£1	10. 0. (Mid.Members)	11. 6
1. 9. 6	Hotel Penzance	4. 0.		1. 9. 6
	Boat Fare	1 10. 0.		1. 10. 0.
5. 1. 9	Hotel Scillies	5 10. 0.		5. 12. 6
3. 0. 0	No. 1 a/c	1 10. 0.		1. 10. 0.
	Boat Trips	1 10. 0.		10. 0.
	Golf Sub.	7. 6.		
	Tips	8. 6.		
	Club Sub.	5. 0.		
	Levy	5. 0.		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>£13.10. 0.</u>		

Certain members! will be upgraded and totallers - if any - degraded! No 1 a/c can only be opened by the President or Organiser and treating is not encouraged.

QUANTUM SUFFICIT

It is and has always been felt that costs should be kept as low as possible - in reason, and therefore not embarrass any member.

Accommodation

Certain members may have to share rooms - the privilege of single rooms is given to old members, and those with adenoids!

REPORTUS ADENOIDIS

'Uncle Jimmy' Goold: A spotlight on our Founder

The words of David Waters

It was William Harold Goold (Uncle Jimmy), born 8th October 1898, son of William Tom Goold a Chartered Engineer practising in Chepstow Monmouthshire. It is thought that he wasn't a gifted academic, but he was a talented sportman who went on later to become a county hockey player.

After school he joined a bank in Birmingham in 1905; in September 1914 he enlisted as a Trooper in the Royal Gloucestershire Hussars Yeomanry.

In November 1915 he received a commission in the 14th Worcester Regiment and mobilised to France on 20th June 1916. He received a shrapnel wound in November 1916, but what changed his war was contracting meningitis in March 1917. He spent the rest of his life claiming that if he was a bit mad it was the meningitis in WWI that was the reason!

Looking at his WWI service books, his various commanding officers penned remarks such as "he has always shown exceptional ability and organising powers" and "he carries out his duties in an exceedingly satisfactory manner showing that he processes organising abilities above the average". You will have spotted the key word!

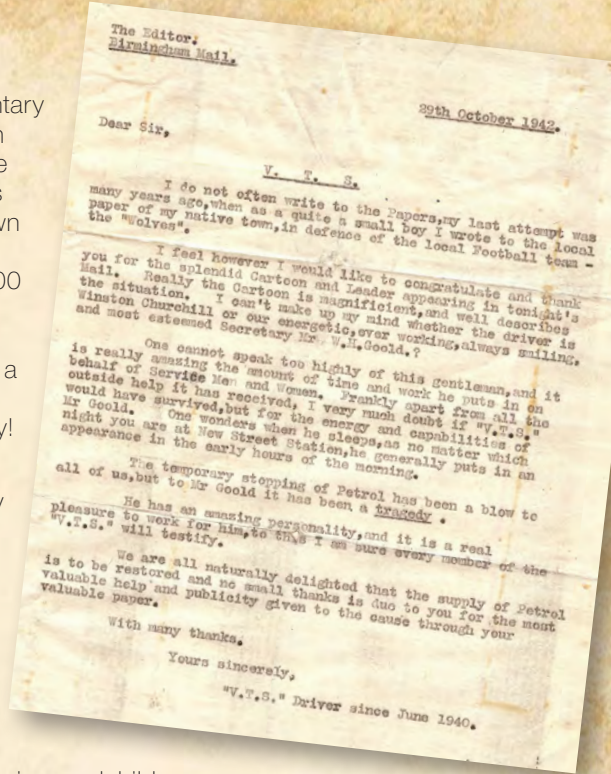
On his discharge, he joined Employers Liability Insurance and opened the Plymouth branch for his employers in 1928, and in 1933 he was transferred to the Birmingham office as manager. The first Mal De Mer trip was in 1932, and seemingly it was during his stint in Plymouth, that he visited the Scillies and the genesis of organising a group of visiting sportsmen came about.

WHG was in Birmingham during WWII, and he was the driving force (quoted as being the main spring and inspiration) behind the



setting up and operation of the Voluntary Transport Service – a large operation to get service men and women home from Birmingham's two main stations after public transport has closed down for the night. The figures speak for themselves. From 1939 to 1946, 1,400 drivers had taken 201,240 service men and women home who might have otherwise had to have endured a long and uncomfortable night on the stations. All done with volunteers only!

WHG retired to Plymouth and in 1955 took up duties as the Secretary of the Tecalemit (a large engineering company) Sports and Social club. It seems like it should have been his perfect job – combining his two main interests – socialising and sport, and utilising his quite extraordinary organising ability! He retired from this 'work' in 1966.



As one of his six grandchildren, my memories of WHG start from around this time. A rotund bald figure who made fishing rods from aerials from scrapped motor torpedo boats, who kept all his screws and nails in Old Holborn tobacco tins, whose pipe lighting produced showers of sparks and many holes in his sweaters and cardigans.

A Plymouth Argyll supporter. A man who frequently only let the hand brake off when going uphill as it help the car go faster! He was a generous and kind man. He lent money to friends on a number of occasions and didn't always get it back. He was a great mentor and unselfishly promoted the careers of younger colleagues. He was a married man who amazingly was permitted the freedoms of a bachelor – enjoying the company of his fellow men and enjoying sport in all its guises.

The words of Patrick Waters

WH Goold was almost certainly a child who kicked against the constraints of Victorian England. He could not sit down for a week after he was caught riding the tinker's donkey after he was expressly told not to associate with such itinerants.



He 'borrowed' his father's expensive cane fly fishing rod and broke it whilst trying to catch trout with a worm on the hook. Punishment ensued. He disliked school intensely and seemed to have developed a mistrust of formal education generally. He would definitely think that many of today's young people are wasting their time in academic studies at university.



Above all, he was a people person and loved talking to anybody, regardless of rank and occupation. In contrast with that, he had a strong sense of etiquette in a social situation, probably derived from his Victorian upbringing. These features are almost certainly reflected in the structure and procedures of the 'Mals'. He could get quite annoyed if the rules laid down were not obeyed in anything he organised. He had enormous energy and loved organising people and events.

He was an interesting mixture of the formal and informal. He would say that his eldest brother, George, rose to become Senior Captain of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company and Commodore of Convoys in the Second World War, but was so stuffy that he would not talk to anybody unless he had been formally introduced. He was proud that he was different and he was never cut out to be a follower of smart dressing. His brown duffel coat was his signature garment in later life. Money meant little to him, much to his wife's concern, and he often gave it away or lent it with little hope of repayment.

In the First World War he was wounded and contracted spinal meningitis, and he was proud that he had received the last rites as a Catholic as they did not know what denomination he was! He heard them saying that 'Cherub' (his nickname) will not last until morning. He then thought, 'I am not dying' and refused to do so. I do not think that

he fits neatly into any pigeon hole but I always remember his zest for life and new experiences. He travelled across Canada on his own on the Canadian Pacific Railway and was always open to invitations to visit new places. He made friends wherever he went. He would love the ease of travel today and the new technologies. He was something of a 'one-off'.

He said his best time was at the front with his 'pals' in World War I. He loved the comradeship and perhaps not knowing what tomorrow would bring but that you would meet it together. This is perhaps reflected in the culture of the 'Mals' and the willingness to participate in things outside your normal comfort zone!



WHO ROOMS WHERE



ROOM	MASTER	SERVANT
2	Ray Farr	Geoff Snell
4	Joss Davidge	Myles Galloway
5	Alex Polhill	
7	Shaun Galloway	Jeremy Chadwick
8	Jamie Pooley	Rory Galloway
9	Eddie Gladden	Paul Simmonds
10	Roy Bound	
11	Martin Gibbs	
15	Ben Jakes	
16	Alistair Hick	Mark Lee
17	Harry Marsland	
22	Graham Willington	
23	Steve Pickard	
27	Keith Williams	Tom Elsbury
28	Tom Mileham	Jack Davidge
29	Brian Peacock	
30	Kenny Boyle	
31	Dave Martin	
32	Paul Calfe	
36	Alan Guest	
41	Jim Ward	Rob Epton
42	Dave Epton	Pete Nelstrop
43	Stewart Ward	
44	Andy Smith	



OBITUARIES

As many Mals will already know, in the space of a few days earlier this year, we received the very sad news that the Mals had lost a number of our elder statesmen. All these gentlemen would command many pages to cover their lives and adventures both on and off their annual trips with the Mals. One of their long-standing friends during their trips to the Scillies was our immediate past DG Ben Guest, who has written these short tributes.

DR JOHN NICHOLAS – DOC

Doc made his first trip in 1966 and a further 20 trips after that, his last being in 1993. President in 1979, he was a wonderful companion in any company and although he did not excel in any one particular sport he would participate in any one if asked to do so. A medical practitioner, he was team doctor to Swindon Town F.C. and made it known that his contract with them and professional etiquette would preclude him from offering treatment to an injured Mal playing on the Garrison Ground. He did, however, offer to instruct Jimmy Gray in the art of treatment of footballing injuries! You can imagine Jimmy's response! Doc was also an active player in our dramatic musical presentations for Guest Night. Notable parts played include: The Rocky Mountaines in Rose Marie, The Swiss Alps in The Sound of Music and Bali Island in South Pacific, and the list went on. Goodbye John, memories of you will be treasured.

DUDLEY HAWLEY

A farmer from the eastern counties, Dudley was introduced to the Mals by Spindle Spence in the early 70's and became President in 1984. A good cricketer and hockey player, he was a quiet Mal who did not seek attention but whose company was always sought. The requirements of harvesting on time, particularly when they clashed with the dates of the Mals trip, meant that trips were not consecutive so that his total of 20 trips was spread over some 30 years. With his farming background he appreciated the need for a strict regime, and your scribe cannot ever remember Dudley ever being fined by the President for a misdemeanour. He was a first class Mal and a friend to all.

A. J. COWARD – JOHN

John made his first trip in 1978 being introduced by Ben Guest to the Mal de Mer Club. A good cricketer and tennis player, he was also good company and prepared to immerse himself into the Mals. Sadly he made only five trips before work and deteriorating health made him decline any further invitations, thus we did not witness his true value to the club.



Further to these first three tributes, 2016 has seen us lose an additional two Mals in Dave Walsh and Phil Ball.

DAVE WALSH

Dave had been a true 'galactico' professional footballer in his day, playing for Aston Villa, WBA and both the Ireland teams. He played in the 1949 Irish team that defeated England 2–0 at Goodison Park, becoming the first team to beat England at home. Goodness knows what he made of the Garrison Ground, but I doubt the Mals will ever be able to field such a star in our side again. He even got a mention on Match of the Day when a minutes applause was made prior to a WBA game at The Hawthorns.



**Dave Walsh in action
(not at the Garrison Ground!)**

PHIL BALL

Phil is best remembered by the Mals for two famous incidents from his trips. Firstly, his outstanding goalkeeping in corduroy trousers and Hush Puppies when called off the bench to replace Bernie Barrett who had failed a late 'fitness test'. In addition, Phil gained star-status when being the first to fill a bag on the Diamond Trip Scillonian crossing of 1992 – aided by a certain Brian Pooley, who had drawn Phil's name in the sweepstake and spent the journey dribbling Alpen from the corners of his mouth to encourage the barf and take the kitty!

SPECIAL MENTION: JAN BOUND

In addition to the Mals above, we also very sadly lost Roy's lovely wife Jan earlier this year, who had so bravely fought a very long battle with cancer. Jan had worked alongside our recently retired DG Ben Guest, and helped produce the Mals brochure for many years. In those days it was a laborious task, (it still is – Ed!) and Jan's efforts and enthusiasm went a long way to ensuring each and every trip actually got off the ground. Our sympathies are with Roy and our thanks remain with Jan for her true Mal de Mer spirit and support to us over the years.

WEDNESDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY
Jamie Pooley

The trip begins

BAGGAGE MASTERS:

Flight 1: Ray Farr
Flight 2: Ben Jakes

Flight 3: Keith Williams
Flight 4: Tom Mileham

FIRST FLIGHT (x 6):

Check in: 8.00 am
Depart: 9.00 am

THIRD FLIGHT (x 11):

Check in: 8.15 am
Depart: 9.15 am

SECOND FLIGHT (x 6):

Check in: 8.10 am
Depart: 9.10 am

FOURTH FLIGHT (x 11):

Check in: 8.30 am
Depart: 9.30 am

Arrival at Tregarthens

At time of writing it's rumoured that there may be bacon rolls to welcome us - Marvellous!

11.10 am

Raising the Flag

All Mals to gather on the Tregarthens decking. The Officer of the Day will have kindly asked Alistair to offer a tuneful rendition as the flag goes up.

11.30 am

St Agnes Trip

Down to board the Surprise for our first inter-island trip

11.45 am

Island Briefing (afloat)

The D.G. will officially welcome the Mals and New Boys and advise all present of the way we can get the very most from the trip.



3.00 pm

TENNIS

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

Garrison Ground

CAPTAIN: Shaun Galloway

#MalsTennis has been trending for the last few years. With last year's aggregate score rather too close for comfort, our Captain may be looking to freshen things up, especially as a couple of his regulars are missing this year.



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4.00 pm	TABLE TENNIS v the School CAPTAIN: Alan Guest		
5.15-5.45 pm	VOLLEYBALL v the School CAPTAIN: Alistair Hick		
5.45-6.30 pm	BASKETBALL v the Staff CAPTAIN: Keith Williams		

All at the school in the sports' hall.

7.00 pm Jacket, tie and badge – as easy as 1, 2, 3 ...

7.45 pm Dinner

The D.G. will introduce our host for the week, new Tregarthens' GM Nick Benetter, and present the Hotel Staff to the Mals.

President Joss Davidge will perform his final duty by flushing in our 2016 President, Stewart Ward.

Sponsors will formally introduce their New Boys.

New Boys to be flushed in: Myles Galloway, Jack Davidge, Tom Mileham, Brian Peacock

10.00 pm Your time is your own.

2.00 am It's been a long day, but even longer since you last saw these guys – so no bailing out yet, you lightweight!

DRESS CODE:
Sponsors of New Boys and those disorganised amongst us will need to visit The Organizer in Room 7 to purchase a Mal de Mer tie and lapel badge.
Special offer rate of £12 the pair.

THURSDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY
Kenny Boyle

- 6.30 am** A bit too early – get your head down for another half an hour.
- 7.15 am** Get your favourite golf shirt on, today it's going to be YOUR day!
- 8.00 am** **Breakfast**
Go large!

9.00 am Gather in the Square and have a shiny £1.00 coin ready for the golf sweep. The Officer of the Day will politely ask you for this before you're allowed on the bus..

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



Please be sure to give new golf club stewards Tania and Pete Reynolds a warm welcome.
 Enjoy luncheon with the magnificent views.

2.30 pm **BEACH FOOTBALL**
v St. Mary's
 Venue: Porthmellon Beach
 CAPTAIN: **Paul Calfe**
Referee: TBC
 Kick-off time TBC depending on the tide.



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3.15 pm **SWIMMING CLUB ICE BATH**
 Harry will lead all those willing in for a bracing splash.

4.00 pm **SAILING REGATTA**
 CAPTAIN: **Pete Nelstrop**
 Venue: Porthmellon Beach
 As ever, the format remains a mystery to all, which is often the case, even after the event has finished.





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
5.00 pm **BEACH VOLLEYBALL**
 CAPTAIN: **Myles Galloway**
 Venue: Porthmellon Beach

Now in its third year, a new Captain has been promoted as the Mals look to youth in seeking their first victory.

5.00 pm **HOCKEY**
v St. Mary's
 Venue: The School
 CAPTAIN: **Rob Epton**

With his official duties prevailing, our President's captaincy has been handed to another of our winning 2015 squad. Can Rob make The Rock proud?


7.30 pm **Dinner**
 The Officer of the day will remind the President to allow the first Snooker pair to leave early.





8.45 pm Depart to the Scillonian Club. Longtime friend of the Mals Agent Jock MacDonald has been firing up the local teams for weeks – be prepared!

DARTS TEAM
 CAPTAIN: **Steve Pickard**

POOL TEAM
 CAPTAIN: **Dave Martin**

SNOOKER TEAM
 CAPTAIN: **Ray Farr**



11.00 pm Back to Tregs for post match analysis

Midnight Tired, but too early to crash.

2.00 am If you're going to go, then you'll have to sneak out.

FRIDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY

Keith Williams

6.30 am Joy and pain, are like sunshine and rain ...

7.15 am Okey dokey, let's do this.

8.00 am **Breakfast**

Check out what Alistair is doing with that blender. It doesn't taste as bad as it looks – it's worse!

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: As is tradition, the Golf Organizator will have given a crystal clear explanation of the rules during breakfast.



Noon A couple of quick 'settlers' required to erase the last couple of hours ...

1.30 pm **GOLF**
Mals v The Islanders

CAPTAIN: **Paul Simmonds**

Recent years have seen us slowly climb out of the abyss. Can we make the final step and actually win this thing today against stand-in island captain Gerald Thompson in Adam's absence?



2.00 pm **BOWLS**
Mals v The Islanders

Venue: The bowling green at the golf club.

CAPTAIN: **Graham Willington**

Up to eight players required (t.b.c.).

One of the original Mals v Islands sports, recently revived. Our Captain is under pressure to get us back to winning ways.





7.00 pm Dinner

Jamie Pooley will propose a toast to the New Boys. Jim Ward will respond.

The New Boys are: Rory Galloway, Jim Ward, Tom Elsbury, Mark Lee.

The DG will report details of the 2015 AGM – the excitement never ends! (See page 10).

Note: A gentle reminder to those shooting and firing arrows this evening not to over-indulge on the vino at dinner – you'll almost certainly enjoy your post-event celebratory drinks all the more.

<p>8.15 pm</p>	<p>RIFLE SHOOTING v St. Mary's CAPTAIN: Dave Epton</p> <p>Ever-reliable, sure shot Dave led his team well in 2015 – a repeat dose please.</p>		
<p>8.15 pm</p>	<p>ARCHERY v St. Mary's CAPTAIN: Alex Polhill</p> <p>A non-event last year due to no nets behind the targets I'm told. They have since been replaced and hopefully this time our Captain will bring us back an overdue victory.</p>		
<p>8.30 pm</p>	<p>BADMINTON v St. Mary's The school sports hall CAPTAIN: Eddie Gladden</p> <p>An unanticipated defeat last year puts pressure on the Captain. is he still up to the task?</p>		

11.00 pm Friday night used to be disco night, but sadly that era has passed. As an alternative, our very own snake-hips Snell will be running his version of 'Strictly' in Tregarthens lounge – beginners welcome.

SATURDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY

Dave Epton

7.15 am Today is the big one. Stretch properly to ensure your body is in tip-top condition to face the rigours of the day.

8.00 am **Breakfast**
Eat all you can, energy reserves will be called upon

8.30 am Grab all essential weather-relevant kit and head to the square.

8.45 am The great thing about Mals golf on Scilly is that you always get another day and another chance. Sieze it!

GOLF COMPETITIONS:

BISHOP'S BEAKER FOR GOLFERS
9 HOLES

NOSWORTHY NOGGIN FOR GOOFERS
9 HOLES



12.30 pm A window for lunch – ask a senior Mal from the Gastro team for their venue recommendations.

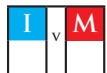
1.30 pm **CRICKET**
v St. Mary's

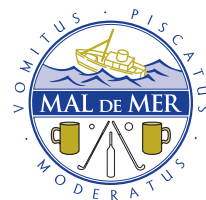
At the Garrison Ground
CAPTAIN: **Jamie Pooley**

Back to its regular slot is this traditionally tough encounter. Our captain is trusted to have his side fully revved up for it.

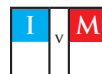
Scorer: Alex Polhill

Umpires: t.b.c.





5.00 pm **FOOTBALL**
v The Woolpack Wanderers
 CAPTAIN: **Harry Marsland**
 1ST TEAM COACH: **Andy Smith**
 DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL: **Geoff Snell**
 Having studied our coach's tactical genius (see page 23) the squad should be right up for this.



7.00 pm Post match media frenzy in the bar.

7.45 pm **Dinner**
 A quick freshen-up ahead of tonight's gathering. Our President will call upon captains for the sports reports and doubtless re-iterate some motivational words prior to the further challenges that lie ahead.

9.45 pm **QUIZ: THE CLEVERDICKS CHALLENGE**
v St. Mary's
 Tregarthens Restaurant
 CAPTAIN: **The President**
 Close, but no cigar in 2015. Isn't it about time we got our hands on this grand trophy?



10.45 pm **BOAT RACE**
v St. Mary's
 Tregarthens Patio
 CAPTAIN: **Ben Jakes**
 Without a victory since the pickled egg incident, surely Ben will inspire his troops to victory tonight.



A day like this demands some late night analysis, and those extra few beers should help us understand what really happened and why ...

SUNDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY

Steve Pickard

9.00 am **Breakfast**

A slightly later start, so 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 embark to an off island, or not, subject to Roger's game plan.



Noon

TENNIS

(Second Leg) At the Flying Boat Club

CAPTAIN: **Shaun Galloway**

The second leg of this popular event almost saw the Island team snatch a result to level the scores overall last year. Our Captain needs to ensure complacency doesn't creep in this year.



1.30 pm

CRICKET

v Tresco

CAPTAIN: **Jamie Pooley**

Scorers: To be selected on the day.

Umpires: To be selected on the day.

Reports that our opponents may have a depleted squad for this year have intensified the thirst for victory.



Post match

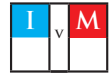
Traditionally there's time for a quick thirst-quencher in the New Inn before we sign our way back across the water.



5.00 pm Did Smith's tactics help us yesterday? Do we want more of the same, or is it back to the drawing board?

FOOTBALL
Mals v Garrison Gunners
 CAPTAIN: **Harry Marsland**
 1ST TEAM COACH: **Andy Smith**
 DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL: **Geoff Snell**

If no improvement on 2015 is found, all the above positions may be under threat ...



- 7.00 pm** A very swift beer and shower – possibly simultaneously if tight on time.
- 7.45 pm** Look smart tonight chaps, we've got guests.
- 8.00 pm** **Guest Night Dinner**
 As is tradition, we welcome our Island Guests and Sports Captains to Tregarthens for an evening of fun and frivolity. We will hear from the Head Teacher Linda Todd which of her pupils will be the recipient of the Mal de Mer Merit Award for 2016.
 Our Guest Speaker Clive Mumford will give us a glimpse of Island life from his perspective.
- 10.30 pm** Enjoy the smell of the grease-paint as our band of thespians stage this year's dramatic spectacular. (Tickets only, no pay on gate.)
- 11.30 pm** The Officer of the Day will ensure that guests carriages are available at the Hotel Courtyard as required.
- Midnight** Quite what the critics will have made of this evening's shenanigans remains to be seen. Join the cast at the bar to discover just what on earth it was all about ...

MONDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY
Myles Galloway

7.15 am Morning has broken, like the last morning.

8.00 am **Breakfast**

Have you any room left after last night's extravaganza

8.45 am Make sure you're organised for the last visit to the Golf Club.

**GOLF COMPETITION:
 THE TEXAS SCRAMBLE
 9 HOLES**

'Show me the money!'



11.30 am **IMPORTANT:**

Make sure 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 quayside and all aboard The Surprise as we head over to St. Martin's.

1.15 pm **CRICKET**
v St. Martin's
 CAPTAIN: **Jamie Pooley**

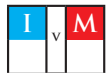
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Good to be back on St. Martin's this year – let's hope the performance makes it a jolly boat ride home.

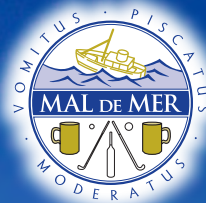


5.15 pm **GIG RACING**
v St. Mary's
 CAPTAIN: **Joss Davidge**

With the regular Gig Captain now back in place, let's hope he can make this final event one to remember.



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8.00 pm

The Farmer's Table

Includes the presentation of this year's golf trophies and the President's Endeavour Award trophy

By special request, we are all set to enjoy this magnificent Lincolnshire speciality this evening.

Whereas in recent years our 'last supper' has carried a fancy dress theme, this year it has been decided to drop that at our President's request. Indeed, this decision has also meant that we can relieve our host, GM Nick, of the pressure of trying to follow Carina's Starship extravaganza last year.

10.00 pm

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

Midnight

Your last chance for a farewell drink.

TUESDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY
Graham Willington



6.00 am It's much easier to pack to go home than pre-trip eh? (unless you're Calfey, who crams it all in anyway!)

From 7.00 am Breakfast served as you appear.
Please remember to thank Nick and the Tregs team for looking after you so well.

Return flight details

FIRST FLIGHT (x11):

Depart from square: 7.45 am, take-off: 8.45 am

Kenny Boyle	Stewart Ward	Ben Jakes
Steve Pickard	Rob Epton	Alistair Hick
Pete Nelstrop	Dave Epton	Jim Ward
Martin Gibbs	Eddie Gladden	

SECOND FLIGHT (x6):

Depart from square: 8.25 am, take-off: 9.25 am

Paul Calfe	Jeremy Chadwick	Myles Galloway
Shaun Galloway	Harry Marsland	Rory Galloway

THIRD FLIGHT (x11):

Depart from square: 9.10 am, take-off: 10.10 am

Ray Farr	Jamie Pooley	Brian Peacock
Tom Mileham	Joss Davidge	Jack Davidge
Alex Polhill	Geoff Snell	Keith Williams
Tom Elsbury	Mark Lee	

FOURTH FLIGHT (x6):

Depart from square: 9.20 am, take-off: 10.20 am

Roy Bound	Paul Simmonds	Graham Willington
Dave Martin	Alan Guest	Andy Smith

NOSTALGIA MER



An interesting article recently uncovered from a 1975 edition of the Scillonian magazine. The Mals had enjoyed 37 visits by then – and now another 41 since!

THE SCILLONIAN.

MAL-DE-MER VISIT, 1975

(by Fuzz Groves)

ON September 26, 1975, 45 members of one of the country's most exclusive and unusual clubs literally descended on St. Mary's for their annual sporting fixtures with islanders. They were members of the Mal-de-Mer Club, a unique collection of men, young and old, sharing the common bond of sport and sportsmanship.

There to greet the members from the two helicopter flights at the airport was the founder, and in many ways, the "youngest member" at the ripe old age of 85 years, Uncle Jimmy Goold, now of Roborough, Plymouth. Uncle Jim formed the club with the express intention of promoting sport in all its aspects at the islands after a first visit to the island community in 1928 when he came to do business with the Duchy of Cornwall. By 1932 he had, with his uncanny knack of persuasion, enticed, or bullied or entreated the first party of "Mals" to come to Scilly via the old Scillonian, known to the older "Mals" quite rightly as the "Hell Ship". Uncle Jimmy had picked out the right type of men, who after being violently sea-sick for three hours, could put on a smile and sing, albeit with a greenish tinge, the old drinking song – Ten Green Bottles hanging on the Wall as the ship berthed at St. Mary's.

From, and even before, landing, began the stamina tests. Organised by Jimmy, the trip to Penzance in cars from the Midlands and points North, South, East and West was a strictly Guard-like procedure, with regimented stops here and there for vital liquid refreshment and sleep.

Once on St. Mary's, the regimentation—all done with the biggest of smiles—was even worse. Managers of large banks and factories were ordered hither and thither from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m. at night when at which time, they were too tired, dazed or bruised to do anything else. Golf, cricket, football, hockey, wrestling, running, darts, formed part of the ten day stay in the Atlantic Hotel, but only a part. Uncle Jimmy made sure all members were up by 7.30 a.m. by the simple means of going into each and every bedroom and forcing the bleary eyed occupants to get up.

Stink bombs

On one occasion, he resorted to the most underhand method of using two stink bombs in one man's room in order to make him leave the sheets. After breakfast began the day's toil, up to the golf

links, back to lunch, up to the sports field, back to dinner, off to the Scillonian Club for a darts match in the evening, all the time being harassed and hounded by one of the greatest organisers in the business.

On-the-spot fines were introduced for the slightest misdemeanor and many times, before the alleged misdemeanor had taken place, after all, some one **HAS** to be last in a group and alas, he paid for it!

Over the years, the Mals' annual visit took on greater and greater hurdles. It was a bit much expecting men of between 60 and 80 years to run, wrestle and play hockey with island lads! But they did—and all enjoyed it.

All members received a nick-name from Uncle Jimmy and the names have stuck until this day, although some of the original members have passed on and are now safe from the wiles of Jimmy Goold for the time being. But a meeting will come later and it requires no stretch of the imagination to picture a brightly haloed Uncle Jimmy tearing around the spiritual palaces of the next world, still chasing Mals and still organising cloud cleaning parties or assisting wayward or weary cherubims back on the right pathway—through back breaking sport, if indeed, cherubims do sport, which seems doubtful at this point in time.

Clay pigeon shooting

Apart from the war years of 1939-1945 the Mals have annually visited the islands and brought with them their special brand of fun-making, allied with the serious intention of fostering the sporting spirit (and that does not mean Rum and Shrub). This year clay pigeon shooting was introduced for the first time and it has proved to be a shattering success! The Mals usually come at the end of September, beginning of October and take over the hotel. This year it was the turn of Hotel Godolphin to undergo the traumatic shake-up.

Apart from fostering sports of all kinds at Scilly, the Mals have poured in something like £1,000 in their 37 visits and no matter from what angle that cannot be bad for the islands as a whole.

Although the helicopter has taken over from the Hell-ship, and no longer does the mellifluous tones of "Ten Green Bottles" bang on the ear-drums, the spirit of the very first party of Mals still remains. May it continue for another 37 visits.

READERS' WIVES

The Mals are always receptive to fresh ideas and innovation. So this year we are trialling the concept of having the vignettes written by our very own WAGs. After all, this way we really will learn something about our team-mates.

As an introduction to this new concept, here are a few for starters, and to keep it interesting (and to protect the guilty) we've removed the individuals' names. Can you work out who they are?

Dear Mr DG Gibbs

First, may I thank you for taking my husband on your annual Games Trip.

It is nice to have the chance to get the house what I call Properly Clean And Tidy. You won't realise it, staying in that nice Troggs place, with all those cleaners and chambermaids, but my husband is what I call A Messy Man.

My reason for writing to you is that this year I am getting what I call A Bit Worried. You see, I have a routine for when he comes home from being with your Malls. As soon as he comes through the door, I strip him off and pop him straight in the bath. I then take his Lidl carrier bag of clothes and pop them straight in the bin. I then pop him into bed in the spare room until Sunday.

But last year he was up and about by Friday. To be honest with you Mr DG Gibbs, it was what I call A Bit Of A Shock, and not a very nice one at that. The house was a complete mess again by Saturday.

So I would like to ask a favour please. Can you make sure that this time he comes back what he calls Cream Crackered and when he goes Up the Apples and Pears he bloody well stays there for at least a week.

Thank you.

Thank you so much for inviting my husband on another Butler training course – they really do work wonders! I so look forward to him coming home afterwards: he tidies the house, presses my clothes, polishes my shoes, makes me a lovely cup of tea in the morning, mixes a mean G&T in the evening ... it is wonderful.

The only thing is – we normally have sausages for tea on a Thursday, and it's my favourite. But when he comes back from his Butler course, he won't touch one, says he can't even look at another sausage. That lasts until Christmas, when he devours the chipolatas. Any ideas why?



Hi Shaun

Hope you are laying off the pasties in readiness for the Mals! My husband is of course trying to get fit, but I just know he'll end up held together by tape, bandages and neoprene. It's the same when he goes skiing with you Mals too. The injuries are a bit of a worry, but I don't mind those because the upside is that he comes back unable to speak for 72 hours! Lovely! We've only been married a few months but my eardrums are at breaking point! I was wondering - since you have trips in Autumn and Winter, perhaps you and Jeremy could organise something for Spring and Summer too?

Please?

Dear Tregarthen's Management

I wonder if you can help me? Every Autumn, my wardrobe gets mysteriously depleted. In the last three years I've lost two of my favourite frocks, two bras (incl one sports bra for tennis), three stockings (yes, three....), the feather boa I normally only wear as a Birthday Treat for my husband, four wigs and enough make-up to re-stock House of Fraser.

If you find any of these, please can you let me know.

Thanks

PS And can you tell me to whom I should send the revolting lime green 'mankini' which turned up a couple of years ago? There's no way it belongs to my husband - far too big.

Dear Sir

Every year my husband comes to visit you. I am writing to ask if we can please change the date of his visit. It is normally at the end of September, but would you mind awfully if it switched to the end of October? You see, he won't let me put any lights on in the evenings, and it gets terribly dark after the clocks have gone back, so to have a week of being able to move freely around the house, read, watch TV would be like a holiday for me too. In case you are wondering why I put up with it, well I do ask him if I may have some illumination, but he just says "who do you think you are kidding?" and storms off in a huff.

Thanks in anticipation

VIGNETTES

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!

123 = Official Mal number

177 Roy Bound I've started so I'll finish Sitting on a Railway Station



The longest serving current Mal, Roy has been a regular since he could get time off from his child chimney sweeping round. Outstanding at sports through the ages he is still the Mals's carriage riding captain should that event ever get recalled. Ever looking forward to grasp new opportunities, he is hoping to make sand-castling a demonstration sport for the 2017 trip.

Now totally refreshed after relinquishing the poisoned chalice of Golf Organizer, Roy has recently been turning his hand to making a shambles of being the quiz master, a role he has excelled in.

Always a true gent, Roy will be more than happy to befuddle any new Mal looking for direction to the 8th tee.

276 Kenny Boyle SuBo Airdrie



The much loved Mal de Mer "accident waiting to happen" returns again this year.

The Treasurer is particularly delighted to see Kenny back, partly due to the increased Scottish influences (alcohol and swearing) but mainly to do with the fact that it will be another great year for trip fines.

Kenny's fitness on Saturday and Sunday are key to the success of the Football team so let's hope he is in good shape and is as balanced and as well coordinated as ever. Great to have you back!

260 Paul Calfe Calfey Sahf East



A Gooner extraordinaire from the leafy, rich belt in Surrey. This is a Mal who you want on your team. Ex President who still excels on the football and cricket pitches. Let's hope he has his minder Geoff, with him this year as he has been known to get all overcome and glassy eyed about 1.00 in the morning. A quiet man sometimes and if you think you see him holding the bar up, it might be the other way round, but if you want a stayer then Calfey is your man. He has been to warm weather training this year in his preparation for the trip so he should be in excellent form.

Watch this space !!

242**Jeremy Chadwick****Jezza****Chaddlewick Green**

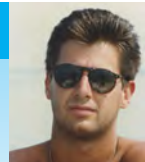
Without doubt one of the friendliest and most stubbornly cheerful chaps you will meet on the trip, Mr Organizer is definitely the “Good Cop” in the Mals hierarchy.

A keen footballer, Jeremy tempers his boundless optimism by supporting Burnley football club, thus keeping his feet firmly planted at the foot of the table. You may also see his temple throbbing while whisking out genius answers in the quiz or hurling a sharpened arrow towards the double top on Scillonian Club night. There is nothing Jeremy likes more than a round of golf and while previous vignettes have cruelly alluded to his abject failure to win any golf trophies in 20+ years of Malling, this is not going to be one of them.

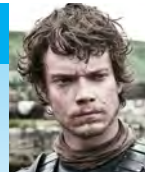
A driving force behind the Thespians, but don't hold that against him, he is one half of the Ugly Sister double act with his fellow Galactico Shaun. This year's performance is rumoured to be sponsored by Tony Blackburn, whose jokes are often considered too sophisticated for inclusion.

306**Jack Davidge****Jack in the Box****The toy cupboard**

Dad took Jack upon the Mals
 Supp'd nary a glass of water
 Footballled so well
 And partied like Hell
 Will Joss now bring his daughter?
 Welcome back to a young superstar.

266**Joss Davidge****Mr Ex P.****Royal Berkshire don't you know**

Last year's trip got off to an absolute flyer, with the Mals winning everything on the first day as Joss slipped into the Big Chair with the manner of a man born to it. As a return to the ranks beckons, our out-going President can look back on a torch well carried. But now the spotlight is off, the limelight extinguished, will we see alter-ego 'Gypsy Jonny' re-surface? Surely not ... the very image of our once-dapper ex-leader hanging out of a caravan parked on the elegant lawn of Hugh Town Strand, clad only in a pastie-stained string vest, desperately trying to flog pegs to the passing birders would be a shocking prospect. Don't do it, Joss!

N/A**Tom Elsbury****Theon****The Iron Islands**

When interviewed last month the Brownlee Brothers said that the only thing they fear in Olympic triathlons is seeing Tom ahead of them at the final transition! That gives you an indication of this titan of sport. Having grown up on the Iron Islands in Westeros we can expect great things in any aerobic sport from this Iron Man athlete.

He will give his all in footy, tennis, volleyball and basketball ... but I am doubtful of his ability on the golf course. His day to day life sees him 'adjusting' taxes for submission to the House of Greyjoy (inland revenue to you and I). But don't let that fool you, Theon is a great bloke to share a beer and a joke with (unless your name is Ramsey!). Have a fabulous first tip, let's hope it is the first of many.

VIGNETTES (contd.)**285 David Epton Eppo 1 A Field in Lincolnshire**

David first came on the trip to help him get over the disappointment of losing out to Daniel Craig as the next James Bond and since then he's often shown his all round action man skills on the Isles.

Along with Alan Guest, Epton senior is the Mal guaranteed to have packed a blond wig, lipstick, thong, suspenders, fishnets and high heels before anything else. In fact, we don't know why he doesn't just keep a cross dressing box of tricks in storage at Tregarthens. Fortunately his sensible younger brother persuades David not to wear his favourite outfit for the hockey match.

A true farmer – he can happily be one of the quietest Mals and then easily switch to be one of the loudest. If you hear him offering you one for the road it's probably at least three o'clock in the morning. Almost always looking for a laugh and willing to give any sport a go (some of which he is extremely good at). Always good to see 007 Epton – a top Mal.

300 Rob Epton Tractor Boy Spar Shop

Recruited solely to boost the squash and tug of war team Rob has got the Islanders on the run! A natural sportsman there is nothing this Mal will not turn his successful hands to; from opening the batting for St. Martins, to whipping up an evening gown for his brother. His spectacular victory in the "Clash of the Tight'ones" has made the hierarchy sit up and take notice. Various trials will now take place over the next few years and decisions will be taken about his suitability for higher office.

Always fantastic to see you on the trip; have a good one.

230 Ray Farr Me, a name he calls himself A long long way to run

If, while taking a constitutional near Room 2 you should hear a Brummie drawl declaring "Doh! So, me Ray La Farr, tea?" Do not be alarmed, you are not being enticed into sharing a mid-afternoon beverage with the Mals's own Peaky Blinder, rather it will be Ray and long suffering roomie Geoff practising his scales based on his favourite Julie Andrews number.

Ray is a stalward of the snooker table, basing his style more on Terry "no need to rush" Griffiths than Hurrican Higgins. Generous to a fault, Ray recently invited a select band of Mals to a 90th birthday celebration at his personal golf club where a jolly time was had by all. Some may unfairly accuse Ray of a lack of humility, but as his hero Donald Trump has said, "The beauty of me is that I'm very rich".

307 Myles Galloway Vlad the Impaler Semey, Kazakhstan

A remarkable performance from young Galloway on his first trip in 2014 has made him a must-pick for every squad involving physicality. Not just because of his impressively muscular frame (strong evidence for nurture-not-nature there Shaun) striking fear into the hearts of the Islanders, more used to facing lycra-clad decrepitude... but also because his healing hands performed miracles on the Mals' cricketers, rendered the lame able to bowl! Captains, you need this man, on and off the pitch. So it is a huge welcome back to the young big'un.



N/A Rory Galloway The bright one Bodmin

The youngest of the Galloway clan debuts as a New Boy on the trip this year. Rory is much more sensible than his father or his brother, so don't expect him to put too many feet wrong over the week.

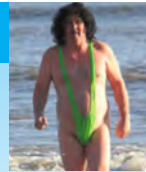
A keen squash player (shame the Islanders asset stripped and sold off the court) and a bit of a footballer, he is in reasonable shape. Yet, another youngster bringing the average age of the Mals down – have a great trip Rory!



258 Shaun Galloway Squirty McSquirface A lot closer to home than you will be on Tuesday

Best known for his seashore mankini “Borat” impersonations which gave him the epithet Cornwall’s Kate Moss, Shaun’s suntan comes from the gardening leave earned from giving his Ginster employers the idea for a Pulled Pork Slice while he was playing a solo round of golf.

His canny purse handling led the Mals hierarchy to appoint him treasurer, so if you are short a few bob by Saturday he’s bound to help you out at reasonable terms. His sporting prowess on the Isles will demonstrate that, like other Scots, he is a better tennis player than he looks, and be ready to gasp at those salmon leaps on the volleyball court or the Ronaldo like dives on the football pitch. And keep a sharp eye out for his small part in the infamous Thespian double act that make Little and Large seem sophisticated.



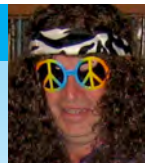
234 Martin Gibbs Mr DG The Lower Field

Director-General – Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Director-General is a title given to the highest executive officer within a governmental, statutory, NGO, third sector or not-for-profit institution Gibbo because he:

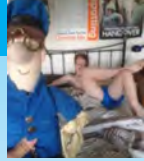
- is a Master of Public Speaking
- sponsored the Epton sisters (err, and Wardy....)
- takes no crap from farmers
- makes a tremendous cheerleader.
- can't do combat sport anymore, but we still want him on the trip.

Martin Gibbs: leader of men. And Mals.



VIGNETTES (contd.)

219 Eddie Gladden Who The **s Eddie! Greendale**



Gentleman farmer Eddie is real Mal stalwart, which considering he has roomed with Simmo since the dawn of time must mean he is due some sort of medal. Now also a big time racehorse owner, he claims his recently purchased filly Norfolk Enchance is definitely worth an each-way punt.

His eccentric swing will be seen frequently on the golf course, reminding those old enough of some of the more exotic moves thrown by Pans People in 1970s Top of the Pops episodes. For many years he has led the Mals Badminton team to a top two finish, and has struck up a lasting partnership with Mr Prez Elect, although just who is carrying who is a moot point. He has a keen eye and well-honed wrist for many sports, and is without doubt one of the Mals stars when he steps up to the darts oche.

The evenings will see Eddie sampling the delights of a Dark 'n Stormy or sixteen late into the night, always sharing a joke or a true life farming tale lifted from the Archers.

216 Alan Guest Guesty The Pink Pussy Club



Nephew of sartorially elegant and well-mannered former DG Ben Guest and that's where any similarity ends.

This man is a legend (or is that a leg-end) always welcome and will entertain us in oh so many ways whether it's the Mal de Mer blues or his wheelchair demonstration or indeed the Policeman's Helmet, he will have your sides splitting by the end of the week. Still a force to be reckoned with on the hockey field and the golf course and if you are into trains then buy him a drink or two and relive the golden era with him, it will be an hour of your life you'll never get back.

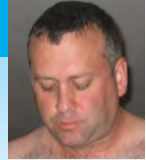
The trip is always a better one with 'Guesty' on board.

287 Alistair Hick Ali Midlandershire



Chemical, as he is known, is a quandary in a conundrum. Suave, sophisticated and a real gentleman on the outside but put on *Right Said Fred* and his true colours come flooding through. I can't be the only who still has nightmares of him leading the conga outside the Mermaid singing *I'm to sexy for my shirt*.

It's a different matter on the sports field though, whether it's five-a-side on the beach or 11-a-side on the grass or even on the golf course, he will be there giving you 100% of his talent all the time (I'm not sure what a 100% of very little is?). He will be everywhere on every team if selected and I know a trip without him is a lesser trip. Welcome back Chemical.

301 Ben Jakes**Jakesy****Under the moon of love**

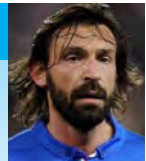
In these modern days of multiple personality types and orientations, it is with open arms that welcome back our first ‘trans’ person. Ben’s change from avuncular Islander mine host to Mals lounge lizard has been physically demanding and psychologically traumatic. But with the support of his fellow Mals, and copious pints of medication, a fully-functioning Mal has emerged. “I always knew that deep inside me, there was a Mal desperate to get out” he probably said once, late at night.

N/A Mark Lee**Mark****Harborne**

Mark is proper northern stock but opted for the glamour and sophistication of Birmingham many years ago.

As a lawyer, husband, father, dog owner, canoe keeper and someone with special dietary requirements, he has been identified by political analysts as ‘Harborne Man’ and targeted as a key swing voter by both May’s Tories and Corbyn’s Labour. Luckily the Mals trip is a politics free zone.

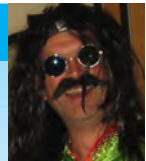
In recent years Mark has shaken off his accident prone lifestyle – at one stage he got close to suing himself. Loves Cornwall, a good drinker, good golfer, good company, still in his 40s (just), give it a go attitude. There’s only one place he should be this time of year...welcome to the Mals and the Isles. Hope you enjoy it.

213 Dave Martin**Davey-Boy****School**

They call Joe Allen the “Welsh Pirlo” and Dave, with his new “hipster” beard plays that role for the Mals.

He sits deep, reads the game, organises the defence and pings the ball into row Z at every opportunity. Exactly what we need.

The creativity and space that he and Kenny Boyle can generate on the Garrison at the weekend will have the Islanders worried. Good to see you back Dave, have another great trip.

265 Harry Marsland**Haroldinho****Even further North**

Attired in the Claret and Blue of beloved Burnley, you wont miss this man on the golf course. He is certainly not missed in the golf team!

He used to win the longest drive every year but now he takes the train from Keswick. Although golf may not be his game he excels in lots of other sports and that’s not my opinion it’s his.

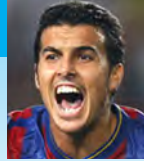
Football, cricket, badminton, the list is endless and he can always be relied on for the swimming team at St Agnes. He is another ex President who always gives 110%. Such a quiet man who never moans or complains!!

308 Tom Mileham Tom Thumb Deep South West

Q: What do you call 2 teenage boys with 9 beer bellies?

A: The Mals Football Team

An astonishingly good first trip for Tom last year. Forget the sporting achievements (immense though they were) ... to see the emergence of a next generation of Mals was testimony to both our great club, and the character of Tom and Jack. Now, hope you've packed your lipstick for the Thesps, Tom....



288 Pete Nelstrop Pistol Pete Another Field in Lincolnshire

Right then, we'll try this one again...Is he coming? Let's hope so.

Pete loves his golf but is struggling in his attempt to play more frequently given his willingness to leave his clubs on the Isles for anyone to use between trips. Willing to have a go at most sports and a committed supporter of the Mals taking the field even on the occasions when he doesn't himself make the final selection of the elite. With his ocean going experience Pete must be pushing for the position of vice captain of the Sailing team (Rear Admiral to Admiral of the Fleet Snell).

Although some things don't agree with Pete's delicate constitution, given his active interest in the Tregarthens Wine List and mischievous conversation Pete is a good Mal to sit next to at dinner. Get those shorts on and legs out Monsieur Nelstrop.



309 Brian Peacock Uncle Sam Across the Pond

It is fabulous to have yet another returning New Boy on the trip. We expect great things in the beach football and basketball etc! But hang on! ... I notice it has been a few years since Brian was last on the Isles. So I had a look back at what was happening in the world in Sept/Oct of Brian's first trip. The Beatles released their first single (Love Me Do), Marilyn Monroe died, JFK proclaimed they would put a man on the moon, black students enrolled at Mississippi University and the Cuban missile crisis started!! That was one hell of a trip ... and we hope this is one hell of a trip too for you Brian after 54 years in the wilderness, welcome back. We look forward to hearing stories of yester-year over a rum and Scrubb. Have a great tip.



298 Steve Pickard Stevie P. Brownlow Arms

One of the more erudite Mals, it is good to see the Quiz Captain return to the Island's this year.

More of a Joss Davidge (gigs) or Harry Marsland (squash) kind of a captain, Steve is still waiting to win his first match. This could be the year ... the Mals gene pool is a bit younger this time, so you never know.

A great addition to any trip, have fun Steve and good to see you back.



272 Alex Polhill**Golf Organizer****Sowff East**

Despite much vociferous questioning from fellow Mals during the cut and thrust of events around the Tregarthen's dinner table regarding Alex's occasional 'tweaks' to the rules of various longstanding golf competitions and a laissez faire approach to handicaps, the Golf Organizer has shown steely confidence and strength of character in resisting to offer the Mals a referendum on the specific format of the Perry Pot, George Twist Tankards and Bishop's Beaker. Now that he is firmly established in the G.O. role Roy can finally relax at dinner.

Always willing to be Hockey goalkeeper (or at least third reserve) Alex mainly shows his competitive edge on the golf links. Calm, good company and incorruptible (doesn't even give the odd clue to the Mals in the quiz regarding the Gaelic name for the primary nesting bird found on the Isles of Scilly).

Enjoy your 16th consecutive trip.

278 Jamie Pooley**Poolos****Bermuda**

'He was the future once'. Well, from perennial youth-policy to the foothills of High Office, not-so-young-anymore Jamie can now spy the sunlit uplands of Presidency, an office to which he was truly born. But there's many a slip twixt cup and lip, and on the basis that several cups will touch his lips this week, let's hope he emerges from this year's trip intact and fully Elect.

226 Paul Simmonds**Simmo****Rio**

A legendary Mal in every sense of the word. Simmo has just returned from Rio, where he has been taking part in the sinkwonized gymnastics with his old sparwing partner Edwina Gladitsova. As with every year on the trip their ringwork was a sight to behold, and the bar routine the envy of everyone! Some disappointing floor exercises led to them finishing just outside the pub!

Wecently wetired Simmo has no plans to slow down until Friday night.

Always good company and a fine example of how alcohol can make you feel young! Have a great trip.

218 Andrew Smith**Leader of the Gang****Help the Aged**

Do you want to be in his gang, his gang, his gang, oh yeah! He's the leader. He's the leader of the gang he is! He can talk, an awful lot of shite, every single night! etc, etc. Loose cannon inadequately describes this old retainer and nobody would have it any other way! Promised to bring along two new boys this year until he realised he would have to buy a tie for them.

Feeling his age, Smudger now only peaks on the first night just before dinner.

Still a keen golfer, fisherman, thespian and know it all, Andy is always a great asset on any trip. Keep up!

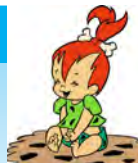
VIGNETTES (contd.)**236 Geoff Snell The Rear Admiral Camberley**

A great stalwart of the club, Geoff continues to put his life on the line for the club, rooming with Ray Farr. He and Ray have paid just £5,000 to encourage the New Boys to visit them in Room 2 in the evenings.

They have installed a free to play, location-based augmented reality game available on IOS and Android. "Poke a Mal Go" is sure to be popular this year with its very own PokeStops and a PokeGyms.

**N/A Jim Ward Pebbles Grantham**

At last a 'New Boy' from the 'Rock' stable. Only taken the future President 14 years to realise that a lack of mates means you'll have to invite family! A talented all round sportsman, he attended the school of hard rocks and came out the other side relatively unscathed. A talented cricket, football and hockey player, Jim can't wait to see why his father brings golf clubs on the trip? Sports captains take note, Jim has been waiting for over 10 years to play sport with his father so he'll be like a coiled spring! Great to have you on board Jim.

**268 Stewart Ward The Rock Lincs**

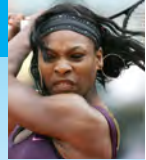
What can you say about the incoming President Wardy? He has a hatred of all things golfing and being himself a man of high morals has a huge intolerance of most people in general, and so he should make a perfect leader. The safest way to approach Wardy is with a drink in hand for him and you just might get a glimpse of that famous Lincolnshire smile.

Still a whiz on the hockey field and his shuttlecock is a sight to behold on a Friday night.

There won't be any cries of 'Where's Wardy' on this trip as we all know this Mal will do a splendid job at the helm. He comes with the highest recommendations from all those who know him and despite what we say to his face we are all looking forward to the 'Wardy' Trip.

Have a week to remember Stewart and just bear in mind the words of Saint Paul in his second letter to the Corinthians "For ye suffer fools gladly, seeing ye yourselves are wise."



284 Keith Williams**Venus Edwards****Salop**

Keith Edwards is always on the trip unless his wife has forced him to go to New Zealand or to reproduce again instead. Not sure if either are good enough excuses but anyway he's back for 2016.

His ligaments might be getting slightly less elastic these days and he now needs three instead of two hours sleep, nonetheless, Keith remains a genuine sporting asset for the Mals. Edwards is a high-quality all-rounder and exudes that Welsh-like sporting confidence. Has an easy manner at the bar and likes to occasionally dress as a bottle of champagne. Think of a shorter, slightly slower Gareth Bale without the top knot at the Real Madrid Christmas party.

Listen out for his chirping at dinner. Good to see you back again – get stuck in but remember, don't get injured on the first day.

291 Graham Willington**ARP****Warwickshire-on-Sea**

Just ask him to stand up at dinner to trigger a good old Mals sing song. Still strongly suspected of being Bill Pertwee's nephew.

Graham provides a calming presence on the Isles ... much like an ARP Warden. He has become a regular on the trip putting in consistent performances perhaps most notably on the snooker table (best not put that light out), golf course, and bowling green. He may even be recalled to the Mals boat race team ... but only if we are a long way ahead (which is unlikely).

He always has a story to tell. Graham is a true enthusiast for the beautiful Isles of Scilly and the Mals. Have a good trip.

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