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EDITOR'S NOTE:

Many thanks to all those who helped contribute to this brochure.
You know who you are! It is very much appreciated.



PRESIDENT

JAMIE POOLEY

Wednesday 27th September

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Tuesday 3rd October

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Jamie Pooley

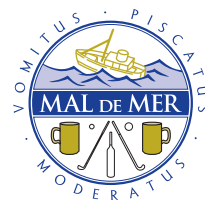
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1934-37	E. H. Maddocks	Sir Harry	1981	A. Robinson	Tony
1937-45	C. S. Asbury	Archbishop	1982	G. E. S. Twist	Lord George
1946-47	E. P. Morgan	Perry	1983	B. E. Pooley	Sailor
1948	A. T. Rouse	Bomber	1984	D. Hawley	Dudley
1949	G. C. Willis	Geoff	1985	R. 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	2016	S. Ward	Wardy

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

Don't let the title deceive, leave the beach towels, sunglasses, budgie smugglers and mankinis at home and do not expect Pina Coladas at dinner!

Welcome back to all of the usual faces and particularly to those that we have not seen for a while. Most importantly welcome New Boys to the most unique sporting club in the world.

My first trip was in 2003 on 'A Trip II Farr' where I was one of 9 New Boys, Messrs. Dallaway and Boyle are the others who have been returning regularly. Thanks Dave for anonymously providing the picture for the back cover!

I was introduced to the club by my father, Brian, who many Mals and Islanders knew and remember fondly. My first trip was his 30th trip and indeed he was President in 1983, approximately two weeks before I was born. It was probably always safe to assume that I would come on the trip! All the stories that Dad regaled meant that I thought I had a good idea about what went on during the trip. That all changed very quickly! To the New Boys, I would say that your first trip will be one of the most memorable weeks of your life, you will not experience anything else like it!



A few pearls of wisdom to see you through your first trip:

- Always make sure you are in bed earlier than Ben Jakes.
- If invited to Pellistry Cottage then politely decline.
- If you are short on lunch ideas seek out the Pasty Captain, Rear Admiral Snell.
- Juliet's Garden is not the meeting point for Golf caddies (even if a past President insists).



The Mal de Mer club is now in its 85th year of taking sporting competition and camaraderie to the Isles of Scilly. This is an unbelievable feat and it is the underlying principles of the club which have made it endure. Those principles still ring true today and if they are followed then it makes for a great trip:

- When called upon give everything that you have got, and then find a little more to give.
- Encourage and support your fellow Mals; the whole is greater than the sum of its parts.
- Be magnanimous in defeat and be humble in victory.
- Strive to contribute to the enjoyment of others, be it on the field of play or off it. A great joke at dinner can be just as memorable as a 30-yard screamer at the Garrison.

We are in the Isles to provide competitive fixtures so I ask captains to pick their best possible teams and everyone to give of their best. I would also request non-combatants to be supporting our teams whenever possible. The beer always tastes better after a win so let's make this a winning trip!

IN OMNIA PARATUS (Ready for Anything)

JAMIE POOLEY
President Elect 2017



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 2016 TRIP

	TEXAS SCRAMBLE	J. Davidge, A. Guest, D. Epton, A. Smith
GOOFERS:	MORGAN MUG	S. Pickard
	NOSWORTHY NOGGIN	P. Nelstrop
GOLFERS:	PERRY POT	A. Hick
	BISHOP'S BEAKER	E. Gladden
	GEORGE TWIST TANKARDS	P. Nelstrop, A. Polhill
	BEST GROSS	A. Smith & K. Williams

GOLF HANDICAPS

GOLFERS	HANDICAP
Adam Bryant	2
Keith Williams	5
Paul Simmonds	10
Andy Smith	10
Dave Dallaway	10
Martin Gibbs	15
Jamie Pooley	15
Darrel Foulk	15
Alex Polhill	15
Joss Davidge	18
Jeremy Chadwick	18
Tim Kneen	18
Eddie Gladden	20
Shaun Galloway	20
Ben Jakes	20
Wilf Feely	20
Roy Bound	21
Steve Dann	21
Ray Farr	22
Dave Martin	23
Mark Rhode	24
Dave Windeatt	24
Sam Lighting	26
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
Jim Ward	28
Calum Windeatt	28
Oliver Gray	28
Jack Everton	28
Dave Truby	28
Dave Nottingham	28
Kenny Boyle	28
Keith Cartwright	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:

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



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

2016 winner:
Keith Williams

GOLF DAY

President's Golf Day

ROBINSON RECEPTACLE		
Winner (on countback)	Martin Gibbs	36 pts
2 nd	Alistair Hick	36 pts
3 rd	James Ward	35 pts
Nearest the Pin	Sam Lighting, Martin Gibbs, Paul Calfe, Pete Nestrop, Joss Davidge, Dave Martin	
Longest Drive	Darrel Foulk, Jeremy Chadwick	



Nice one Joss!

Friday 5th May 2017



32 Mals, New Boy's and guests gathered in Lincolnshire for the 2017 Golf Day. All enjoyed the challenging course and glorious sunshine, however once again the scoring and presentation ceremony descended into chaos... In scenes very similar to the 2013 Golf Day (also in Lincolnshire) the Robinson Receptacle was initially presented to the announced winner – Alistair Hick – only to be snatched from his grasp by Martin Gibbs on countback. Ironically it was Alistair that did the same to Glenn Dann previously.

36 points each was a very respectable score, but the glory went to Joss Davidge with a hole in one. Congratulations Joss and thanks for the drink! Well done and thanks to our President and Golf Organizer for facilitating everything so well...



It was like deja vous, all over again...

PRESIDENT



A Profile of our President

Jamie Pooley

If ever a lad was born to lead the Mals, it's Jamie. The son of Brian, a genuine Mal de Mer legend, we knew about his potential long before he came on his first trip. He isn't wholly a chip-off-the-old-block – Brian being a courtly and articulate gentlemen of immaculate deportment, Jamie being... less so! However, an ebullient lad, he more than exceeded the expectations of this youthful addition to the creaking ranks.



Our 2017 President

In some sports highly talented, in all sports a fierce competitor, there is nothing Jamie hasn't attacked with gusto. A free-scoring star of hockey, a blood-and-thunder footballing enforcer... As a cricketer, away from the Islands he is a fine spin bowler. On Scilly, we have seen his alter-ego of the ground-pawing, snarling fast bowler, ready to unleash chin-music... followed by the cry to put fear into any batsman: 'Howzat, Dad?'

All that enthusiasm for sport does, of course, create a thirst, and Jamie is as comfortable leading from the front at the bar as he is on the pitch. That invariably descends into hearty renditions of tuneful memories of his time working in a store in Chicago.

He has also brought to the Islands a succession of splendid newboys, many fellow cricketers of great reputation... not of all of whom he has run out!

A great strength of the Mals is the exotic cocktail of personalities and talents. In our new President, we have a dark'n'stormy wallbanger of a leader, infused with the essence of our historic club.

Jamie, it's your time in the Chair. We are lucky to have you epitomise the Mal de Mer Club.

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.

2016 AGM

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on St. Mary's – 3rd October 2016

Present Hierarchy

Apologies N/A

Election of officers

PRESIDENT Stewart Ward 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 Jamie Pooley.

Treasurer's Report

Despite the President's best efforts by raising the level of fines on the trip last year, we unfortunately made a small loss of £35.40. The only unforeseen cost was for the 38 "Where's Wally?" costumes procured long after we had set the budget for the trip. Money well spent I am sure you will agree?

The Treasurer continues daily to monitor the money markets, study the exchange rates and research Bitcoin and other cryptocurrencies. As we are now a global franchise, the Treasurer is managing payments made in Bermudan Dollars, Euros, South African Rand and the odd Scottish banknote.

The hierarchy are keeping their powder dry – but if an arbitrage opportunity comes along we are ready to execute .

New Boys on the trip

Tom Elsbury, Mark Lee, Rory Galloway, Jim Ward

New members flushed in

Myles Galloway, Jack Davidge, Tom Mileham, Brian Peacock

Organizator's Report

Onwards and upwards. Whilst the cost of the trip unavoidably creeps up, contributions to the 100 Club allow us to assist New Boys and young sportsmen every year. This is a crucial element and everyone's continued support towards that is much appreciated. Meanwhile, thanks to all those that send me brochure content, thoughts and ideas, throughout the year – your support of our great club keeps us in rude health.

There being no further business, the meeting closed.

2016 REPORT



Report on the 2016 Trip – Where's Wardy

*Morning (28 Sept) has broken, like the first morning.
Blackbird has spoken, like the first bird,
Praise for the singing,
Praise for the morning,
Praise for 'The Scillonian' to take us to Scilly
Because the planes are, grounded again!*

Thirty one assorted Mals, three new boys and Brian Peacock landed on the quay at St. Mary's, would they all make it back?

As usual the Baggage Masters played a blinder and declared *Every Mal for themselves!*

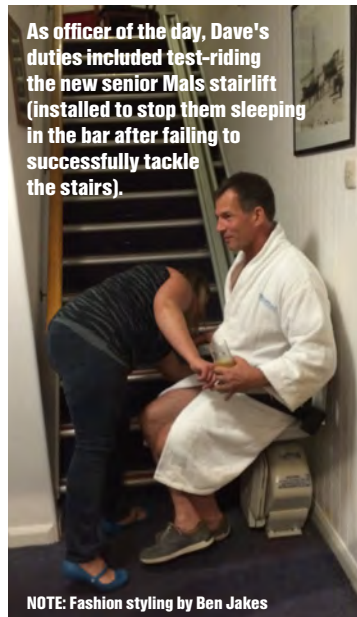
The new management team at Tregarthen's welcomed us, the flag was raised and the 2016 Trip began.

The DG briefing was, as usual, full of handy hints, allowing all the tourists to maximise their Scilly experience. Apparently it wasn't a Rugby trip! Brian Peacock was singled out for a special mention having missed 54 years since his last trip. He also returned a trophy – Hide and Seek champion 1963, 64, 65, 66 etc.

Let the games begin! A winning trip etc..... First up, the **tennis**. The captain must have missed the briefing as a cautious selection led to a **2-1 defeat**. Luckily tennis is a two-legged affair and the captain's resignation letter was filed.

Alan Guest, a man for most crises if it involves balls, girded his loins and a **23-5 table tennis victory** steadied the ship! Success breeds success, and Alistair Hick's **volleyball** team also brought home the bacon with a **2-0 victory**. Unfortunately, the weight of being baggage master lay heavily on Keith Williams shoulders (which isn't much good if you are **basketball** captain), and a **10-4 defeat** ensued.

First night dinner is always a hectic affair, staff introductions; Presidential changeovers; New Boy flushing and sponsors presenting this years crop of New Boys, but it all ran like a finely oiled machine. A teary Joss Davidge bade his farewell and we all welcomed Stewart Ward to the Presidential helm. A born leader, he quickly introduced himself to his son Jim. Other sponsors told us about Tom Elsbury, Rory Galloway, and Mark Lee. Myles Galloway, Jack Davidge, Tom Mileham and Brian Peacock were flushed in, and after a few sherries it was time for bed.



As officer of the day, Dave's duties included test-riding the new senior Mals stairlift (installed to stop them sleeping in the bar after failing to successfully tackle the stairs).

NOTE: Fashion styling by Ben Jakes

Thursday morning broke clear with a slightly chilly feel, let's hope the sausages are spicy.

A new Mals media centre enabled our victorious and not so victorious team captains to reveal their results in front of our sponsors.



President Ward is captured on the oche, whilst a helpful arm provides a score update...

To the square. Golf has always been close to the Presidents heart and his drive into office amounted to 121 tiny paces. The **Perry Pot** and **Morgan Mug** were won by **Alistair Hick** and **Steve Pickard** respectively.

To the beach and **beach football**. The tide has been slowly turning, and with a younger squad and the correct kit a **6-5 victory** was recorded.

Fresh from America's Cup training our new Rear Admiral, Pete Nelstrop, scared 'Tribute Team Scilly' into a no show. Unfortunately this malaise seemed to be contagious, and the scheduled beach volleyball was another no show! You can run but you can't hide !

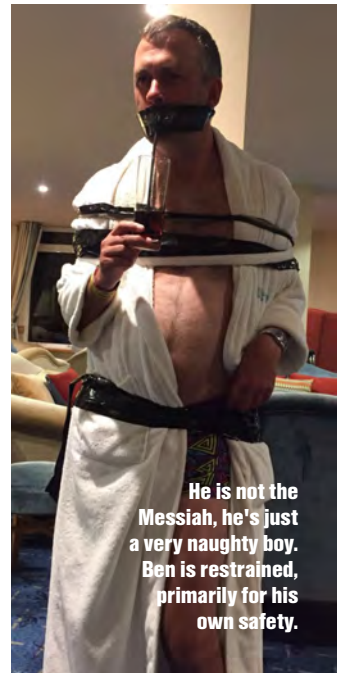
The **hockey**, a Presidential Blue Ribbioned event, unfortunately ended in defeat, **going down 1-4**. Never mind, it's the Scillonian Club evening, plenty of time to correct the ills of the day. Big efforts by all, unluckily led to **defeats** in the **darts, pool, and snooker**. The dark'n stormies are calling.

Down but not defeated, there were a few ballads before bed. The fashion of dressing gowns in the bar led by Ben Jakes seemed to be growing.

Friday morning. Where does the time, money and energy go? Cool and clear weather greeted us all on the golf course. Playing for the **George Twist tankards**, a new golfer/goofer American foursome format had been invented, and won by the **Golf Organiser!** This led to a distinctly fishy smell in the clubhouse... Picking Pete Nelstrop as his 'Goofer' partner also played its part. Pete now has more cups than a works canteen! No sour grapes! **Alan Guest** and **Paul Calfe** finished a close second.

Now the big one, **The Golf Match**. We have been coming a poor second in this event for a while. A hard fought match again saw the Mals **claim the silver medal**. The **bowls** team also collected **a similar colour medal**.

Dinner was again kindly sponsored by Nokia Ringtones; and during a lull Jamie Pooley proposed a toast to the New Boys. Jim Ward responded on behalf of Rory, Tom and Mark (and probably Brian...)



He is not the Messiah, he's just a very naughty boy. Ben is restrained, primarily for his own safety.



Alan gets his eye in



A busy evening saw **three gold medals** awarded to the Mals. In the battle of the Alamo, **Davy Epton** ably supported by his brother, **Wild Rob Epton** outgunned the Islanders **340–331**. The Archers were also on target, **winning 100–25**, and last but not least, that reliable old warhorse **Eddie ‘the Hitman’ Gladden** inspired the **Badminton** team to a **2–1** victory. Life is good!

Stormy weather greeted us at breakfast and also on the golf course. Buoyed by his badminton victory, **Eddie Gladden won the Bishop’s Beaker** and yes, you can’t keep him out of the news, **Pete Nelstrop** won the **Nosworthy Noggin!**

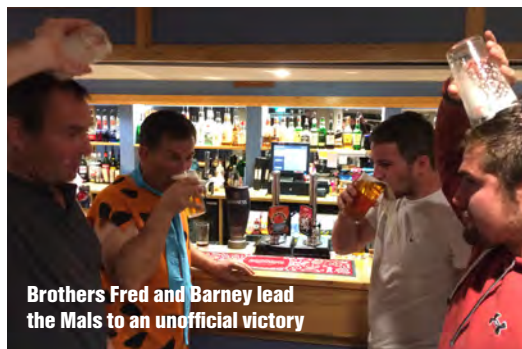
Time for the **cricket/football** double-header up at the Garrison.

Cricket captain **Jamie Pooley** selected his most talented and in-form team to play St Mary’s. The Mals batted first and good performances from **Jim Ward** and **Ben Jakes** resulted in a healthy total, but unfortunately not healthy enough and **St. Mary’s knocked them off** with several balls to spare.

On to the **football**. How much is Smithy paying the hierarchy to keep his job? We lost this fixture 7–1 last year! What a difference a bribe makes! A very well drilled and workmanlike approach led to a creditable **1–0 victory**. Young fit legs gave the Woolpack Wanderers a good run around. Well done the Mals. (Special credit to non-playing captain Harry for his hard work, planning, tactics and motivation to deliver this result).

Strong words from our President at dinner, focussed our minds for the evenings cerebral jousting events, the **Quiz** and the **Boat Race**.

Naivety by the President led to the selection of a non fish-eating Quiz team which in turn led to **defeat for the Mals** at the hands of Clive Mumford’s ‘think-tank!’ We are getting closer every year. Now for the **Boat Race**. Alas, as with the previous nautical sounding event there was a no show. Several Mals took this very hard and drank to forget their disappointment; subsequently some Mals not only forgot their disappointment but also their room numbers! It is nice to know that if we ever fill the hotel bedrooms that the corridors are a viable alternative!



Brothers Fred and Barney lead the Mals to an unofficial victory

Over half way now and another sunny Sunday. Shooting, tennis, cricket, football and guest night dinner. Nobody blink. The **clay pigeon** team met in the square and shot down the runway. Luckily the airport is shut on Sunday! A **loss** meant that the **Super Sunday** start we had planned was in danger of stalling. Next, the second leg of the **tennis**. Shaun would have analysed the performances from the first leg and

normal service would be resumed. Unfortunately normal service wasn't fast or accurate enough, and a **2-1 defeat** followed. On paper the **cricket** squad looked strong. Unfortunately Tresco didn't allow us to play on paper and **another defeat** meant we were heading for a not so Super Sunday. The Garrison Gunners awaited. Another very competitive and entertaining game of **football** ended with the **Mals going down 2-1**, giving us a draw on aggregate with the Islanders retaining the trophy. Unlucky Mals; it has been a while since we matched the Islanders at football.

Guest Night Dinner, a chance to entertain our Island friends, swap stories and fill our faces!

President Ward made everyone welcome and Five Island School Head Teacher **Linda Todd** enlightened us on the recipient of the Mal de Mer Merit Trophy winner **Tara Hitchens**. Well done Tara, make sure you're back for hockey next year.

The President then said some kind words about our guests (which was a relief) and **Avril Mumford** responded on behalf of the Islanders. Avril, wife and minder of Clive, had confined him to barracks as the excitement of two consecutive nights with the Mals would have been too much.



Once again the Islanders celebrate with the Cleverdicks trophy

Alan Guest and **Joss Davidge**. No time to lose, and it was down to the quay for our final off island visit to St. Martins. It is always a joy to play **cricket** on St. Martins, they always make us most welcome. A **comfortable victory** with one ball to go ensured that the captaincy was safe for another year. Ben Jakes (an obvious filler for the captains shoes) was cruelly dispatched when he was not only run out, but struck amidships by the present captain!

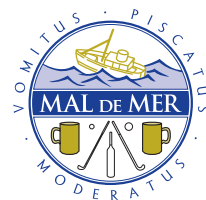


Captain Pooley and his Vice Captain Jakesy elect to ride on the roof, much to the delight of the throngs of eager supporters lining the route

The **Thespians** then acted their latest production **Flinstones, the Musical!**

Various acting awards were presented, several songs were sung and then it was time for bed, but not before a smaller version of the **Boat Race**, more a **Punt Race** took place! Fred Flinstone and Rob Epton thrashed Scilly 'A' team. I think the opposition comprised of Wilma, Betty and probably Dino!

Monday, not long now. The **Texas Scramble** was ably navigated by **Dave Epton, Andy Smith,**



Stand-in Island Golf Captain Gerald enjoys the moment, whilst Simmo puts on a brave face...

Smithy sang several hits from his upcoming album, and before we knew it we were down by the boat sheds getting the **gigs** out. Thank you everyone involved with the gigs. It is a real highlight and finale, all rowed into one! (I see what you did there, Ed.) The Mals had three boats and the Islanders two. Needless to say the **Island juniors finished first** with the other Island boat finishing second.

The Mals crews comprised of an A (more like a) team, Old Gits and New Boys. As in previous years the Old Gits podiumed with other Mals teams probably still out there!

Theme night yippee! The theme was **Where's Wardy?** and it was all too obvious where he was, as he was the only one in a blazer! Great turnout out from the Mals, looked like meal time in San Quentin!

Thank you Mals, Mr. Prez, Mr. O, Islanders and all the fantastic staff at Tregarthens.

Time for room bill settling and prayers for a clear day tomorrow!

The power of prayer played its part and all flights took off on time. Let's look forward to the next trip.

Final score: Islanders 15 Mals 8½ (½ = unofficial Boat Race).



Spot the Prez!

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 2016 The Merit Trophy was awarded to Tara Hitchens.

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

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



CAN YOU HELP?

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

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

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

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

Many thanks for your help!

Merit Award Winner 1977

Gail Rosalez (nee Evans)

We recently heard from Gail who was the Mal de Mer Merit Award winner forty years ago. Here's her story:

"I was born on St Mary's in 1961. My father joined the Army shortly after that, so much of my childhood was spent abroad, although we came home frequently for extended periods, during which time I attended the island schools. It was in 1972 that I came home for good.

I made a decent showing of my 'O' levels/CSEs (I'm afraid I was double entered for a number of subjects, due to my tendency to not do any homework). Astonishingly, I won the Mal de Mer Trophy and was very proud to receive it! Then I went to the St Austell VI form College for A levels and studied Physics and Pure and Applied Maths. I had a place at Imperial College, London, to study aeronautical engineering, but during that summer I met my future husband, fell in love, and decided that staying with him was preferable.

He was crew on the Scillonian at the time, so I moved to Penzance. At that time (1981), the boat was in Scilly 4 nights a week during the winter, so I was in Scilly for the winter, PZ in the summer. This continued until our oldest child started school. Then my husband left the boat, and we moved to Scilly permanently (1987). I worked on various flower farms, and in the hospitality industry (as you do), and began taking Open University courses, and evening classes at the secondary school.

During this time, I was rowing, and succeeded in being a) the first female cox, and b) a member of the world champion ladies crew in 1992. I went on an OU summer school, and loved it so much, that I applied for a full time place at Plymouth University. I was given an unconditional offer, and started my BSc Hons Computing and Informatics in 1998. I did my year's placement in Frankfurt, Germany, and graduated with a First in 2002.

I almost immediately I became a software engineer with Land Registry's Information Systems - where I still work as Senior Software Engineer, a SME (subject matter expert) and a certified Agile Scrum master. I go home at least once a year, and still suffer terrible homesickness. My older daughter still lives on St Mary's (she's one of the Air Traffic Controllers), with her husband and daughter."



Gail as she is now with her children Sam, Tamar and Tana

Gail circa 1977



Gail admits to having lost her certificate in a house move, so we have produced a replacement, had it signed by our President, and sent it to her.

SUMMARY OF GAMES

Event	Date	Place	Time	Holders
Archery	Friday, September 29	Rifle Range	8.30 pm	Mals
Badminton	Friday, September 29	School	8.30 pm	Mals
Basketball	Wednesday, September 27	School (staff)	5.45 pm	Islands
Beach Football	Thursday, September 28	Porthmellon Beach	2.00 pm	Mals
Beach Volleyball	Thursday, September 28	Porthmellon Beach	4.00 pm	Cancelled
Boat Race	Saturday, September 30	Tregarthens' Terrace	10.15 pm	Mals
Bowls	Friday, September 29	Golf Club	2.00 pm	Islands
Cricket	Saturday, September 30	Garrison v St. Mary's	1.30 pm	Islands
	Sunday, October 1	Tresco	1.00 pm	Islands
	Monday, October 2	St. Martin's	1.15 pm	Mals
Darts	Thursday, September 28	Scillonian Club	8.30 pm	Islands
Football	Saturday, September 30	Garrison Ground	5.00 pm	Mals
	Sunday, October 1	Garrison Ground	5.15 pm	Islands
Gig Racing	Monday, October 2	Harbour	6.00 pm	Islands
Golf	Thursday, September 28 Golfers - Perry Pot 9 holes Goofers - Morgan Mug 9 holes	Golf Course	9.00 am	
	Friday, September 29 Golfer/Goofer - George Twist Tankard	Golf Course	9.00 am	
	Match -v- The Islanders		1.30 pm	Islands
	Saturday, September 30 Golfers - Bishop's Beaker 9 holes Goofers - Nosworthy Noggin 9 holes	Golf Course	9.00 am	
	Monday, October 2 Texas Scramble 9 holes	Golf Course	9.00 am	
	Hockey	Thursday, September 28	School	5.00 pm
Mystery Event	Thursday, September 28	Porthmellon Beach	3.20 pm	N/A
Pool	Thursday, September 28	Scillonian Club	8.30 pm	Islands
Quiz	Saturday, September 30	Tregarthens'	9.45 pm	Islands
Shooting: Rifle:	Friday, September 29	Rifle Range	8.30 pm	Mals
	Clays: Sunday, October 1	Venue TBA	10.00 am	Islands
Snooker	Thursday, September 28	The Vineyard	7.45 pm	Islands
Table Tennis	Wednesday, September 27	School (pupils)	4.30 pm	Mals
Tennis	Wednesday, September 27	Garrison Ground	3.00 pm	Islands
	Sunday, October 1	Tresco	1.00 pm	Islands
Volleyball	Wednesday, September 27	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	Jim Ward
Beach Football		Russ Hutchins	Paul Calfe
Beach Volleyball		Martyn Songhurst	Sam Lighting
Boat Race		Russ Hutchins	Rob Epton
Bowls		David Corners	Geoff Snell
Cricket	St. Mary's:	Ralph Ford	Captain: Ben Jakes
	Tresco:	Mike Foster	
	St. Martin's	Tony Goddard	
Darts		Jock MacDonald	Kenny Boyle
Football		Gibbo	Harry Marsland
Gig Racing		Bec Champion	Joss Davidge
Golf		Dave Stone	Paul Simmonds
Hockey		Selena Baxter	Stewart Ward
Mystery Event		N/A	The President
Pasties		N/A	Geoff Snell
Pool		t.b.c.	Dave Windeatt
Quiz		Clive Mumford	The President
Shooting:	Rifle:	Steve Whomersley	David Epton
	Clay Pigeon:	Roger Banfield	Andy Smith
Snooker		James Francis	Ray Farr
Table Tennis		Martyn Songhurst	Dave Martin
Tennis		John Morley	Shaun Galloway
Volleyball		Martyn Songhurst	Dave Nottingham



**PRETTY
IN PINK**

Keith poses seductively under the overarching rainbow – a tell-tale sign if ever there was one...

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.



Officer of the Day

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

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

DUTIES

Baggage Masters

On arrival at Tregarthens Hotel, the Baggage Masters are to see that the luggage of the elderly and frail are taken to their respective rooms.

On departure they are to ensure that baggage is placed outside the hotel in accordance with the DG's instructions.

Presidency

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

Uncle Jimmy's bench

In last year's brochure we ran an article on our founder Uncle Jimmy, the content of which had been kindly provided by Jimmy's grandsons, David and Patrick Waters. David's feedback was as follows: *"I thank you for including the piece on Uncle Jimmy. I think the fact that the Mals are still going and thriving is his greatest memorial, and he would be absolutely delighted."*



David also recalled that there was a memorial bench for Uncle Jimmy situated in the St Mary's churchyard. Upon investigation by a crack team of MDM detectives, the bench was uncovered and photo's of it's poor condition are shown. When hearing of this, our good friend John Morley very kindly offered to make good the bench for David. John remembers playing in the golf match against Uncle Jimmy way back in the day, and how kindly he was treated by him – John being just a young lad at that time (he plays tennis like he still is, Ed.)

John's excellent restorative handiwork is also pictured. David is delighted with the results, saying *"Perhaps it will have at least another 40 years in it – the same as I would wish for the Mals!"*



FLIGHTS

Wednesday 27th September 2017 Skybus from Land's End Airport

FIRST FLIGHT (x13):

Baggage Master: Mark Rhode

Report to airport check-in: 8.00 am

Depart: 9.00 am

Eddie Gladden	Dave Martin	Roy Bound
Ben Jakes	Steve Dann	Paul Simmonds
Dave Dallaway	Sam Lighting	Keith Williams
Alex Polhill	Mark Rhode	Darrel Foulk
Keith Cartwright		

SECOND FLIGHT (x6):

Baggage Master: Adam Bryant

Report to airport check-in: 8.10 am

Depart: 9.10 am

Jamie Pooley	Geoff Snell	Dave Windeatt
Ray Farr	Calum Windeatt	Adam Bryant

THIRD FLIGHT (x11):

Baggage Master: Tom Mileham

Report to airport check-in: 8.31 am

Depart: 9.31 am

Shaun Galloway	Joss Davidge	Stewart Ward
Jeremy Chadwick	Jack Davidge	Jim Ward
Paul Calfe	Tom Mileham	Andy Smith
Harry Marsland	Tim Kneen	

FOURTH FLIGHT (x4):

Baggage Master: Rob Epton

Report to airport check-in: 9.15 am

Depart: 10.15 am

Martin Gibbs	Dave Epton
Pete Nelstrop	Rob Epton

FIFTH FLIGHT (x6):

Baggage Master: Kenny Boyle

Report to airport check-in: 9.35 am

Depart: 10.35 am

Dave Nottingham	Jimmy Gray	Jack Everton
Kenny Boyle	Oliver Gray	Dave Truby

PLEASE NOTE:

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

IMPORTANT:
If in doubt, please decant into two smaller bags



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

'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. There's no limit to the amount of tickets you can buy!

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

2016 Trip	£100	Wilf Feely
	£50	Paul Williams
Christmas Draw	£50	Jackie Robins
	£25	Selena Baxter
Easter Draw	£50	Colin Izzard
	£25	Wilf Feely
Golf Day	£50	Jan Snell
	£25	Shaun Galloway

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.

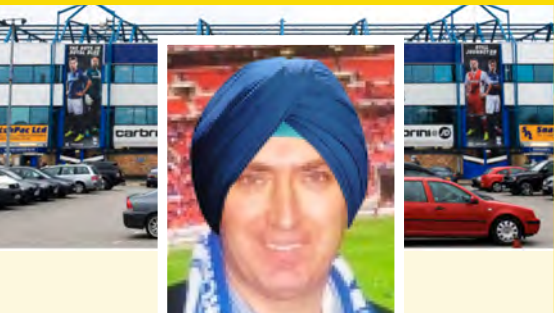
Well done to Roy and his beautiful young assistant Ray, and our thanks to those Islanders who continue to support the 100 Club.

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:

Steve Pickard	Mark Coombes	Graham Wilkington	Brian Peacock
Christopher Borens	Alan Guest	Tom Elsbury	Martin Breddy
Steve Marlow	Bob Coombes	Phil Jones	Graham Nottingham
Kieran Counihan	Ben Guest	Reg Cutts	Alistair Hick
Roy Dale			

I'm in the mood for



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DRESS CODE

PLEASE NOTE:

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

Morning

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

Evening

Jackets and Mal de Mer ties and badges must be worn at dinner. Rings or studs through noses, ears or lips are very strictly forbidden. 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.
Football	Full Mals' kit is provided, so just bring boots, shin pads and plenty of support strapping.
Hockey	The Yellow polo shirts are to be used for hockey. Blue shorts and socks should be worn. Shin pads, gumshields and all weather surface footwear.
Shooting	Countryside commission regulation dress, no balaclavas.
Boat trips	Some form of waterproof clothing and a Mal de Mer fleece. Plastic sheets available on board if it gets really rough.
Gig Racing	Shorts, T-shirt and shoes you don't mind getting wet.
Badminton	Green Mals polo shirts provided – see the Captain for this if you are selected.
Beach Volleyball	Pink Mals polo shirts provided – see the Captain for this if you are selected.
Beach Football	Purple Mals shirts provided – see the Captain for this if you are selected.
Volleyball/Basketball	Green Mals shirts provided – see the Captain for this if you are selected.

NEW MAL'S GOLF WEAR

**SPECIAL MAL'S
PRICE JUST £25**

See the D.G (Room 11)
to collect yours



In association with our kind sponsors The Mermaid, we are delighted to offer all Mals on the 2017 trip the first opportunity to purchase these fine golf shirts.

Not only are they cleverly designed to hide any hint of beer belly, but you can also look like your favourite player in the Mals golf team, as these will be the official team shirts this year.

BONUS: Free cuddle with Ray for the first 5 purchases

WHO ROOMS WHERE?



ROOM	FINGER-LICKIN' GOOD	BUTT-WIPIN' BAD
2	Geoff Snell	Ray Farr
4	Joss Davidge	Keith Cartwright
5	Alex Polhill	
7	Jeremy Chadwick	Shaun Galloway
8	Jamie Pooley	Paul Calfe
9	Paul Simmonds	Eddie Gladden
10	Roy Bound	
11	Martin Gibbs	
14	David Nottingham	
15	Ben Jakes	
16	Steve Dann	Calum Windeatt
17	Harry Marsland	
18	Kenny Boyle	Tim Kneen
20	Wilf Feely	
22	Mark Rhode	Darrel Foulk
27	Keith Williams	Adam Bryant
28	Jack Davidge	Tom Mileham
29	Sam Lighting	Dave Truby
30	Dave Windeatt	Jack Everton
31	Dave Dallaway	Oliver Gray
32	Jimmy Gray	
36	Dave Martin	
41	Jim Ward	Rob Epton
42	Dave Epton	Pete Nelstrop
43	Stewart Ward	
44	Andy Smith	

The sorry sight of an unnamed senior Mal struggling with his specially extended wedge out of a water hazard



The immigration dilemma...



Okay, let them in, dammit,
but these are definitely the last ones!

WEDNESDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY

Dave Epton

The trip begins

BAGGAGE MASTERS:

Flight 1: Mark Rhode
Flight 2: Adam Bryant

Flight 3: Tom Mileham
Flight 4: Rob Epton
Flight 5: Kenny Boyle

FIRST FLIGHT (x 13):

Check in: 8.00 am
Depart: 9.00 am

FOURTH FLIGHT (x 4):

Check in: 9.15 am
Depart: 10.15 am

SECOND FLIGHT (x 6):

Check in: 8.10 am
Depart: 9.10 am

FIFTH FLIGHT (x 6):

Check in: 9.35 am
Depart: 10.35 am

THIRD FLIGHT (x 11):

Check in: 8.31 am
Depart: 9.31 am

Arrival at Tregarthens

Plan A is that we'll be welcomed with bacon rolls, however the weather and boat trip foiled that last year, so fingers crossed

11.15 am

Raising the Flag

All Mals to report to the Tregarthens decking. Further to instructions from The Officer of the Day, Notty will knock out a suitably impressive tune as the flag goes up.

11.30 am

St Agnes Trip

Quick march down to the quay to board the Surprise for this ever popular 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 challenges that lie ahead.

3.00 pm

TENNIS

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

Garrison Ground

CAPTAIN: **Shaun Galloway**



As predicted in this very brochure, the tight result in 2015 pointed towards a power-shift, and last year the Islanders duly delivered. Our tennis captain has enjoyed the victory years, but time has come for him to re-group – more of the same simply won't cut it. No pressure.

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4.00 pm	TABLE TENNIS v the School CAPTAIN: Dave Martin			<table border="1"><tr><td>I</td><td>M</td></tr><tr><td>v</td><td></td></tr></table>	I	M	v	
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5.15-5.45 pm	VOLLEYBALL v the School CAPTAIN: Dave Nottingham	 KIT		<table border="1"><tr><td>I</td><td>M</td></tr><tr><td>v</td><td></td></tr></table>	I	M	v	
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5.45-6.30 pm	BASKETBALL v the Staff CAPTAIN: Jim Ward	 KIT		<table border="1"><tr><td>I</td><td>M</td></tr><tr><td>v</td><td></td></tr></table>	I	M	v	
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All at the school in the sports' hall.

7.00 pm Three simple steps: Jacket, tie and badge. Please don't tell me you forgot any of them... (see note below)

7.45 pm **Dinner**
The D.G. will introduce our hosts for the week, Tregarthens' GM Nick and his highly skilled and friendly team. Pay attention, these guys are key to our stay and they will clearly need the patience of saints.

President Stewart Ward will perform his last official act by flushing in our 2017 President, Jamie Pooley.

Sponsors will formally introduce their New Boys.

New Boy to be flushed in: Jim Ward.

10.00 pm Re-locate to the bar for a catch-up with old friends.

1.00 am Don't peak too early... there's a busy day tomorrow and a good night's sleep will make all the difference.

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
Darryl Foulk

- 6.30 am** No need to get up just yet, unless you are a farmer or have a bowel complaint (or both)
- 7.15 am** Carefully select your lucky golf shirt (still freshly ironed), as you'll want to look the business
- 8.00 am** **Breakfast** fill your boots!

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

GOLF COMPETITIONS:
PERRY POT - GOLFERS
9 HOLE MEDAL (1/2 HANDICAP)
MORGAN MUG - GOOFERS
9 HOLE MEDAL



A friendly 'Hello!' to club stewards Tania and Pete.

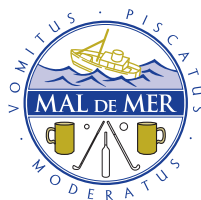
LIFE'S A BEACH AFTERNOON

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



3.10 pm **SWIMMING CLUB ICE BATH**
 Our freewater naturist Harry will lead the run to the waves

3.20 pm **MYSTERY EVENT**
 Details to be announced by the President at breakfast



4.00 pm

BEACH VOLLEYBALL

CAPTAIN: **Sam Lighting**

Venue: Porthmellon Beach



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Last year the Old Gits (with 3 Islanders) beat the Young Gits (with 1 Old Git) 2-0. All-in-all an entertaining event but unfortunately not sufficient to qualify as an 'official' result. We hope the Islanders can muster a full team this year.



5.00 pm

HOCKEY

v St. Mary's

Venue: The School

CAPTAIN: **Stewart Ward**



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Stand-in captain Rob moves aside for The Rock to return. Check last years result by way of explanation – Selena and her team are still dancing in the streets. This is a big one.



7.30 pm

Dinner

The President will take the opportunity to give a short motivational speech prior to the forthcoming evening's challenges.

8.45 pm

Depart to the Scillonian Club to see if we can finally wrestle a result from the place. These are two winnable events and the Captains know their tasks.

DARTS TEAM

CAPTAIN: **Rob Epton**

POOL TEAM

CAPTAIN: **Dave Windeatt**



8.45 pm

SNOOKER TEAM

CAPTAIN: **Ray Farr**

A team of six to head up to the new snooker table venue at The Vineyard to try and regain the trophy from our hosts Rob and James Francis.



11.00 pm

All Mals to report back to Tregarthens, where Jimmy Gray will lead the community singing.

FRIDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY

Mark Rhode

- 6.30 am** What's the story, morning glory?
- 7.15 am** Shorts or waterproofs – fingers crossed eh?
- 8.00 am** **Breakfast**
The aficionados choose fish, the new men choose muesli and blended vegetables, whilst the farmers eat the bleedin' lot

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

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

RULES: The Golf Organizer will of course have given clarity to all during breakfast.



Noon No worries, you can't win every year (or any year – Ed.) Have a beer and re-group

1.30 pm



KIT

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

Our Golf Captain is impervious to pressure and oozes the confidence of a man under no threat whatsoever... Perhaps this is a cunning plan to psyche out incoming Islander Captain Dave Stone... Let the mind-games commence!
NOTE : Both Captains agreed pre-trip that this is to be a seven pairs event, and the President has decreed that the Mals team will require Mal caddies.

CADDY CAPTAIN: **Stewart Ward**



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2.00 pm



BOWLS
Mals v The Islanders

Venue: The bowling green at the golf club.

CAPTAIN: **Geoff Snell**

In Graham's absence, former Admiral Snell has stepped up to the plate, fully focused and intent to win back this trophy – Spirit of the Mals Geoffers!



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QUIZ QUALIFIER

After dinner Roy Bound will use his tried and trusted selection challenge for wannabe quiz players

7.00 pm **Dinner**

Dave Epton will propose a toast to the New Boys. Oliver Gray will respond.

The New Boys are: Jack Everton, Dave Truby, Oliver Gray, Tim Kneen and Adam Bryant.

The DG will report details of the 2016 AGM – Don't moan, back in the day this used to be what passed as a whole evening's entertainment!

Note: A request to those Dirty Harry's and Robin Hood's competing later this evening, please don't over-indulge on the alcopops during dinner. Save that for the celebrations afterwards.

8.15 pm

RIFLE SHOOTING v St. Mary's CAPTAIN: **Dave Epton**



Keep up the good work Dave, you're the one box we expect to tick again this year.

8.15 pm

ARCHERY v St. Mary's CAPTAIN: **Alex Polhill**



Another winnable event if we are at our best.

8.30 pm



KIT

BADMINTON v St. Mary's The school sports hall CAPTAIN: **Eddie Gladden**



Captain Eddie rallied after the 2015 defeat, re-grouped and let the Mals to victory last year. His job is safe (for now...). Word has reached us that the Islanders captain Tony has recently had a hip replacement – so be sure to make him run around all over the place!

11.00 pm

There's a big weekend ahead, but you didn't come all this way to lay up.

SATURDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY

Rob Epton

7.15 am All roads lead to Saturday (or Super Saturday as we hope to be able to call it later) Make sure you're at your best today.

8.00 am **Breakfast**
Fuel-up, it's the weekend and your fellow Mals need you at your peak.

8.30 am Listen carefully for today's pasty hot-spots to be found on the walk back from the golf club, bought to you by our Pasty Captain Geoffers in association with Room 2 Gastro-Tours.

8.45 am Forget what's gone before, today is the day you've been waiting for – now is the time to deliver your A-game. Motivated? Well, let's do this!

GOLF COMPETITIONS:

BISHOP'S BEAKER FOR GOLFERS
9 HOLES

NOSWORTHY NOGGIN FOR GOOFERS
9 HOLES



12.30 pm Those that listened earlier will know where to grab lunch, those that didn't will follow them.

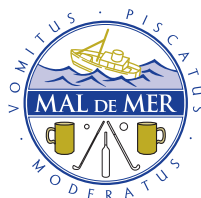
1.30 pm **CRICKET**
v St. Mary's

At the Garrison Ground
CAPTAIN: **Ben Jakes**

Stepping-up to this very senior role, our bridesmaid is now the bride. An emotional day all round as Ben leads the Mals out on a ground where he once played as an Islander. What more incentive can he need for victory and to please our President with this evening's match report?

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





5.00 pm



FOOTBALL

v The Woolpack Wanderers

CAPTAIN: **Harry Marsland**

DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL: **Jimmy Gray**

Last years' appointment of a young, fresh-thinking and dynamic captain transformed the team and the result. A highlight of the 2016 trip, but can he build on this? Coach Andy Smith has opted to step down this year leaving on a high. A new Scottish director of football has been appointed, what could possibly go wrong?



7.00 pm

The obligatory press conference in the bar.

7.38 pm

Traditionally the moment when the footy players attempt the famous 'Mal Time' turnaround from pitch-dirty to dinner-fresh in under 7 minutes. Experienced Mal's can do this in 5 inc. shower

7.45 pm

Dinner

Our President will ask for the match reports, take stock of the news and re-energise us all for the rigours ahead.

9.45 pm

QUIZ: THE CLEVERDICKS CHALLENGE

v St. Mary's

Tregarthens Restaurant

CAPTAIN: **The President**

Word on the street is that following a very narrow defeat last year, the Mals are strongly tipped to go one better this year.



10.15 pm

BOAT RACE

v St. Mary's

Tregarthens Patio

CAPTAIN: **Rob Epton**

The 'official' event was cancelled last year, albeit in a mini booze-off on the Sunday, Fred Flintstone and his brother led the Mals to a narrow victory (see photo Page xx).



SUNDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY

Ben Jakes

9.00 am Breakfast

Enjoy the little lie-in, you may well need it

10.30 am

All Mals down to the quay



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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 fiendish game plan.

Noon

TENNIS

(Second Leg) At the Flying Boat Club

CAPTAIN: **Shaun Galloway**



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The significance of today's second leg will only be known after Wednesday's opener. Has our Captain selected the winning combination, or have John Morley and his band of merry men once again triumphed? Either way, there'll be a story to be told at tonight's Gala Dinner (and nowhere to hide for the vanquished).

1.00 pm

CRICKET

v Tresco

CAPTAIN: **Ben Jakes**



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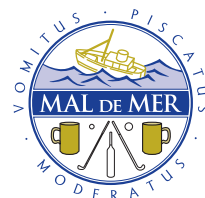
Scorers: To be selected on the day.

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

Depending on our pick-up point for the Surprise, there will hopefully be the opportunity for a quick post-match beer in the New Inn before we make our way back across the water.



5.00 pm



It's only half-time, and our uber-prepared captain will no doubt know what to say and who to say it to. Come on you Mals!

FOOTBALL

Mals v Garrison Gunners

CAPTAIN: **Harry Marsland**

DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL: **Jimmy Gray**



Bottom line... can we build on the 2-2 aggregate from last year and snatch this blue-riband event?

7.00 pm

Another Mal Time turnaround for our returning team of heroes/muppets (delete as applicable)

7.45 pm

Clean shirt and chin tonight Mals, we are not dining alone

8.00 pm

Guest Night Dinner

A warm Mal de Mer welcome to our Island Guests and Sports Captains. We will hear from the new Head Teacher Jo Yeates as to which of the school's pupils will be the recipient of the Mal de Mer Merit Award for 2017.

Our Guest Speaker Dave Stone will further enhance the good feeling of the evening by saying lots of nice things – whether that includes any reference to the Mals remains to be seen...

10.30 pm

With a key player obliged to remain in the audience this year, will the rag-bag band of Thesps be able to put on anything that anyone can follow? Thought not.

11.30 pm

The Officer of the Day will ensure that all our guests are being looked after or gently helped home as required.

Midnight

If you can bear the tears, man-hugs and all that luvvy-talk, then hang around in the bar, as the Thesps join their audience to try and explain what all that was about.

MONDAY



OFFICER OF THE DAY

Sam Lighting

7.15 am The Officer of the Day will make his way around the hotel to ensure we're all up bright and early. Chances are he'll be coming directly from an all-nighter at the bar, so please respond promptly and politely when he thumps relentlessly on your door.

8.00 am **Breakfast**
Where have all the king prawns gone?

8.45 am One last opportunity to grasp some glory. Seize it!

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

If things don't shape up, it was probably due to the other guys...



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

12.15 pm Down to the quay side (grabbing some lunch along the way perhaps) ahead of boarding The Surprise as we head over to St. Martin's.

1.15 pm **CRICKET**
v St. Martin's
CAPTAIN: **Ben Jakes**

Umpires: t.b.c.

Always a great afternoon whether you play, spectate or sleep.



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

Can our Gig Captain select a crew (or crews) to tear-up all recent history and cover us in glory in the last event of this year's trip.



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8.00 pm

Surf's up!

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



*It's back! The famous last night
fancy dress event returns this
year, and you're invited!*

*Think sun, sea and sand
(or anything remotely close)
and plan your attire accordingly.*

*Dress to impress -
there may be prizes to be won.*

10.00 pm

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

Midnight

One last visit to the
Tregarthen's bar - say
farewell to your favourite
stool for another year.

TUESDAY

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OFFICER OF THE DAY
Jim Ward

6.00 am Just jam it all in, I'm sure the magic house-fairy that sorts the laundry won't mind!

From 7.00 am Breakfast served as you appear. Don't forget to thank Nick and the Tregs team for helping you make it through the week.

Return flight details

FIRST FLIGHT (x6):

Depart from square: 7.35 am, take-off: 8.35 am

Dave Nottingham	Paul Simmonds	Darryl Foulk
Kenny Boyle	Eddie Gladden	Andy Smith

SECOND FLIGHT (x13):

Depart from square: 7.40 am, take-off: 8.40 am

Joss Davidge	Martin Gibbs	Dave Dallaway
Jack Davidge	Pete Nelstrop	Ben Jakes
Tim Kneen	Keith Williams	Stewart Ward
Rob Epton	Keith Cartwright	Jim Ward
Dave Epton		

THIRD FLIGHT (x13):

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

Paul Calfe	Calum Windeatt	Jamie Pooley
Ray Farr	Geoff Snell	Steve Dann
Jeremy Chadwick	Alex Polhill	Dave Martin
Harry Marsland	Adam Bryant	Dave Windeatt
Roy Bound		

FOURTH FLIGHT (x6):

Depart from square: 8.40 am, take-off: 9.40 am

Sam Lighting	Jimmy Gray	Dave Truby
Mark Rhode	Oliver Gray	Jack Everton

FIFTH FLIGHT (x2):

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

Shaun Galloway	Tom Mileham
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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

N/A Adam Bryant Sausage Junior Sutton Coldfield



Once a hotbed of a recruiting ground for the Mals, this Birmingham stable has not produced a thoroughbred for a while. Well that is all about to change with the addition of Adam. Adam is the assistant golf pro at Sutton Coldfield and rumour has it that the Isles of Scilly golf Club have been meeting to discuss “Tigerproofing” the setup including lengthening the 4th and narrowing the 3rd fairway! Not only a golfer but a schoolboy cricketer with Warwickshire and a Birmingham City Youth Player. Adam also plays a handy game of badminton.

A new boy of Uncle Sausage, but don't hold that against him. Apparently Ray has brought him on the trip not due to his sporting prowess but to keep the Birmingham dialect alive on the trip and also to make the tea in room 2 and operate the vibrator! 2017 may see the return of our favourite Birmingham catchphrase, “Ray, can I borrow some moneyyyyy”?!!

Joking aside, Adam will be a fantastic addition to the Club. Adam, welcome aboard, have a great trip and we look forward to you bringing the rest of the Birmingham City football team as new boys in 2018! (They may struggle to get a game. Ed)

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



Roy has a great attitude to the trip and it is always a pleasure to see him at the airport at Lands End. Whilst his athletic days may be behind him he is still a very active member of the sporting elite, whether it be golf, snooker, pool, bowls, cricket, quiz, darts, hockey (well maybe not).

He is always on hand to help the New Boys with the rules of golf (that will stitch them right up) and fleece them of a few quid for the 100 club (that is the last they will see of that as the Islanders always clean up).

Great for a story and R&S in the bar. Have a good trip Roy.

276 Kenny Boyle**SuBo****Outer Hebrides**

Captain McChaos returns to the Islands from the Highlands keen to build on his recent film repertoire of recent years. From The Fully McMonty to Fifty Shades of Spey, Kenny always has a starring role on his trips... and that's before The Thespians.

Still coming to terms with the ever changing nature of the Mals, we hope to see Kenny at breakfast or lunch or dinner this year or perhaps on one day all three. New boys be sure to download the Kenny app before arrival as this is the only way you will understand a word he says.

Gives his all on and off the pitch and if he can stay fit, an integral member of the football, darts and table tennis and snoring teams. Have a great trip Kenny, life really isn't the same without you.

260 Paul Calfe**Calfey****Sahf East**

Calfey is finally coming of age... yes this will be his 21st trip. Would you Adam and Eve it? All those goals, all those wickets, all those catches, all those balls pot, all those winning dart finishes... yes he must have witnessed quite a few over the years.

The need for reconstructive knee surgery has seen him reinvent himself in a Pat Jennings role (did you know how good Jennings was at table tennis?) after many years of Graham Rix like service in the pub in midfield. Still a top pick for the cricket team and is generally available on the trip at any time of day, and much of the night, to give himself to the cause – just as long as R Douglas Chemist has some Optrex in stock.

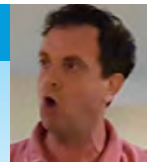
Mumble somefin in cockney, sip of Guinness. Quality Mal – enjoy the trip guvnr.

N/A Keith Cartwright**KC****Sports Central**

New Boy Keith's sporting pedigree is a sight to behold (oh, er missus!) Qualified up to the eyeballs as a cricket coach (ECB level 3), and as a level 2 FA football coach, these credentials are deserving of a loud 'Hurrah!'

To top it all, Keith's game-changer (potentially quite literally) is that he's an FA qualified referee. Quite how one so knowledgeable in such sporting matters can possibly be associated to his sponsor - a certain Dave Dallaway - remains a mystery.

Welcome Keith, and here's to you enjoying your first trip with us.

242 Jeremy Chadwick**Mr Faff****Dream Land**

After the Burnley result against Chelsea Mr Organizer is flying high, even though he is residing in his Alpine retreat. Played 1 won 1, it does not get better than that.

Jeremy spends a lot of the year organizing the trip with his creative flare, and a great trip is always assured. As Geoff is to Ray, DG is to JC – a great team that works seamlessly. His faffing is part of his charm and his humour is infectious. How does he think up some of the skits? Try to catch him without his clip board and you will find a Mal who is charming, generous and great company. Thanks for all the hard work you put in for the trip.

By the way new boys, do not talk about golf with Jeremy. Have a good one Chads!

281**Dave Dallaway****Disco Dave****19th hole**

There once was a golfer named Dave Dallaway
 In the long rough liked stroking his Callaway
 He was seen near the green
 After action obscene
 Wiping his ball on Double D lingerie

Not just a golfer, Dave's sporting prowess is as legendary as is his dress sense. A fine Mal de Mer respecting all traditions such as breakfast in last nights clothes.

232**Steve Dann****Lieutenant Dann****Sowliul**

What commitment from this senior Mal. Our very own Benjamin Button PR guru has decided to take the step of semi-retiring this year in order to help prepare himself physically for the trip and maintain his sports performance level that have been consistently high over the years – especially on the football pitch.

If Roger Federer had been born in Birmingham and had played football... well that's Steve Dann. Very competitive across the board and always amiable – core Mal qualities, and so smooth as President back in 2011 he made Joss Davidge look like a shifty Surrey wide-boy.

Good to be around on and off the field of play. Come on you Zulu warrior – let's have a good one.

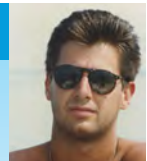
306**Jack Davidge****Dec****The World**

Well, the lookey-likey twin new boys return fully fledged Mals after a successful flushing in last year.

After a year out travelling and chilling, as well as maxing-out his Dad's credit cards and Uber account, Jack returns to do some real work for the Mals. Hopefully he hasn't lost any pace or put on too many pounds.

Together with his inseparable buddy Ant, we have a partnership come double act to be proud of on the pitch and at the bar.

Enjoy the trip Jack/Tom/Ant/Dec.

266**Joss Davidge****Joss 'Jonny' Davidge****Redruth/Ascot**

Flitting seamlessly from a modern day *Poldark* rather than the Home County Executive, Joss returns to his Cornish roots to cause havoc, mayhem and piracy whilst also to have a very nice time, some fine wine and using up all the bandwidth the Island allows. Having reached his Mal's zenith only two years ago, Joss/Jonny will of course hinder/help our new president at every turn. Having just powered his way up the narrow Cornish lanes only in July, watch the oars go as he brings back another victory in the Gigs and showing Joss's fine traditions in stealing trophies and success from under the noses of the local establishment.

Keep your parchment dry and your social media and devices ready – Joss is back and sure to be close to most of the action and wind ups that will no doubt be encountered. Always a great asset on every trip – have a good one (both of you).

285 David Epton**Eppo 1****Eppoland**

Now within touching distance of true Mal aristocracy, Eppo returns 11 years after his debut still ready for any amount of arm wrestling, activity and alcohol that the Islands can throw at him. Unlikely to waste too much time asleep, this all action Mal will be first pick of any of the teams that involve a hockey stick, gun or brawn. To bring him down to earth he also gets picked for cricket, quiz and football so we can ensure he's kept away from the Mermaid.

Tremendous company... although can be difficult to evade at 2:00 am when he wants drinking buddies... enjoy calling him Eppo this year (and any other nomenclature of choice) as next year we may have to be a little (only a little) more deferential. Embodies the trip and great to see you along with members and family from the Flat Earth tribe.

300 Rob Epton**300/Eppo 2****Champneys, Lincolnshire**

300's preparation for the trip this year has included a complete lifestyle change prompted by a week at an exclusive Iberian vegan health spa retreat. This radical approach was encouraged by the outgoing president who was disappointed with Rob's fitness levels during last year's Hockey match (a rare defeat to the Islands) – he only managed to run three times further than any other Mal and only sweat five pints of Betty Stogs. Anyway it's out with the pasties, pies and pints and in with the quinoa, carrot juice and colonic cleansing. The result is a slimmed down version of the ox like warrior who came on the scene in 2012 – but the core strength should still be there and the honed leanness must improve the chance of the Hockey team returning to winning ways.

Fierce competitor and good all round sportsman (much like his younger little brother Eppo 1) and always looking out for his fellow Mals with words of encouragement and motivation (much like Smithy). Nice to see you again, nice.

N/A Jack Everton**Toffee****Goodison Park**

As a youth, Jack appeared as an Everton on the Aston Villa juniors team sheet. Such pedigree will undoubtedly be put to good use by the Mals football captain.

In addition, Jack's time at a tennis academy in Florida will very likely be noted by the tennis captain. Rumoured to have more than a passing resemblance to Prince Harry, and be something of a DJ too (not 'arf mate!) this could all make for a big trip Jack – enjoy it!

230 Ray Farr**Uncle Sausage****Droitwich**

One of our mature and more seasoned members, Ray kindly devotes time with his great friend Geoff Snell in Room 2 to grooming and developing younger Mals.

But please don't think for one moment that Ray is thinking of taking it easy. He is still very competitive on the golf course and is looking secure for a place in both the Golf and Snooker Teams.

Ray is good company and generous to one and all. He usually features somewhere in the evenings' entertainment whether that be giving it or taking it...

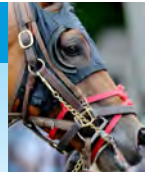
Have a great trip Ray – it will be a good one, there will be no Jamie fines to pay this year!

275 Wilf Feely**Whack-O is back-O!****Coventry**

It is 60 years since Frank Muir and Denis Norden first wrote “Whack-O”, a sitcom starring Jimmy Edwards as a drunken, gambling, devious, cane-swishing, tyrannical, accident-prone, incompetent headmaster. It was subtitled “Six of the Best”, and a film ‘Bottoms Up’ was based on the show.

In completely unrelated news we welcome back ex-Headmaster Wilf Feeley, to complete the ping-pong report he started delivering in 2009.

His versatility and have-a-go enthusiasm and have been much-missed since his last trip. “Willing Wilf” brought his experience to many sports, from ping-pong to badminton and football management. Let’s hope he has packed those shorts but not the cane.

302 Darryl Foulk**Dazz****Gladdenville**

Straight out of the Gladden stable, this sturdy gelding has shown early promise on two trips so far.

Arrived with strong backing from his trainer, and reputed to be heavily fancied by the Room 2 consortium, starts well and is undoubtedly game under good conditions, but struggles with the jumps and has refused at the water.

Recurrent fetlock strain has hampered progress on previous outings, will he go the distance this time?

258 Shaun Galloway Sir Humphrey McAppleby**Local**

Will Shaun make the trip this year? With Brexit negotiations proving to be a shambles of Mal-de-mer-esque proportions, will our Smooth Operator be flown out to Brussels instead to bring his flair for diplomacy (unusual for a Glaswegian) and natural instinct for compromise to proceedings? His handling of our very European tennis team shows the mettle of this Mal.

The way he has guided tennis from being a hit’n’giggle post-Mermaid event to the verge of Blue Riband status has had nothing to do with the individual talents of Herr Rhode and that nice French bloke, and everything to do with Shaun’s leadership, featuring meticulous preparation and grasp of detail, underpinned by the ruthless streak which has drawn comparisons with another tough-as-teak Scot from the world of tennis... Judy Murray.

However, if his alter-ego as the foul-mouthed sub-Derek & Clive comedian is known in Whitehall, then there’s no way Theresa May will risk a scandal and he’ll be on the trip again.

234 Martin Gibbs**Mr DG****The Lower Field**

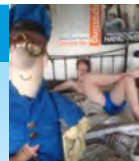
Director-General is a title given to the highest executive officer within an organisation. It's a golf trip, no it's a sports trip, no it's a drinking trip – who knows what it is?

The answer to that question, and any other question asked on the islands is certainly to be found on the lips of the DG (like, Q: where did his bushy moustache go? A: on the lips of the DG). See, simples!

So line those questions up fellow Mals, and let's test him out (good practise for the doomed quiz eh).

He IS the man on the islands in many ways, organizing (or at least giving the impression that he is), competing, making speeches, poking fun and generally helping the trip keep its head above #shamblesville.

Always a fabulous contributor to the trip and it would be hard to name a nicer, more funnierer bloke. Have a top trip Martin.

219 Eddie Gladden**Living next door to Simmo**

Eddie has enjoyed a great year and has got back into his golf.

He especially likes the freedom and enjoyment of the “shorts around your ankles” version of the game. In fact, after nearly retiring from the sport Eddie has decided to stick it out for one more year.

A hunting, shooting, racehorseing farmer, Eddie is very agricultural and competitive in all that he does.

More importantly Eddie is a great Mal, always on it and always up for it. Just the man you want by your side on the Islands. (Well maybe not by the ladies tee on the golf course).

181 Jimmy Gray**Wee Jimmy****McMidlands**

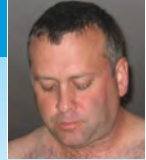
Having gone missing for the last 25 years, Jimmy finally returns to lead the Mals mini Tartan Army, at last giving Shaun and Kenny a sense of purpose. It'll be interesting to hear Jimmy's thoughts on how the trip compares now to that of 1994, although the key change will doubtless be managing to make a fiver last the whole week (especially with his three thirsty new boys to cater for).

It's a pleasure to have you back Jimmy, and trust you'll find everything the same as it ever was.

N/A Oliver Gray**Ollie****Worcestershire**

Ollie arrives as the eldest new boy from the Gray stable. Reportedly a fine all-round sportsman, who has not only played international rugby (well, in Australia anyway) but is both a wicketkeeper and goalkeeper too. With credentials such as these he could prove a most valuable addition to our ranks.

In fact his past achievements also include time at a stunt academy in the U.S, so we can look forward to some master classes in how to break a bar stool over Smithy's head then dive through the panoramic windows onto the terrace. Welcome Ollie!

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

Nobody likes a poacher turned gamekeeper, usually! But in this case we will make an exception.

Ben managed to get his pre Brexit immigration papers sorted a few years ahead of the game and is now a solid part of the Mals team.

Late night in the bar you could be easily (nee very easily) fooled that he is not your archetypal sports athlete, but he is a fierce competitor in many sports (especially against his old compatriots) and makes a great contribution across the 6 days. Always a pleasure and a laugh to have you on the trip Ben, have a good one.

N/A Tim Kneen**Bedtime Timothy****Sunningdale**

Tim is a great all round sportsman and like most of the wealthy players from his beloved Liverpool, comes from Formby.

Unlike Stevie G and the rest who were stealing hub caps by the age of 6, Tim settled on a business career that saw him travel the world and rise to levels that would allow him to be accepted in the country club back in his former parish.

Whilst waiting for his next global CEO position, he lives in Ascot (not quite as renowned for its red hot footballers!) where he spends his time between interviews on the golf course (one to keep an eye on!), playing basketball each week (yes, I know, who does that!!), tennis, running, cycling, playing cricket, football (he is a youth coach) and hockey (enough to make you sick isn't it) – but he is crap at darts!

A very fit guy ready to have a go at all sports (Captains take note) and also a super friendly bloke, who I am sure will get on well with all the Mals over a pint down the Mermaid.

A top Mal in the making I am sure... have a great first trip Tim

297 Sam Lighting**Greased****Thunder Road**

Sam's too sexy for the pink hockey shirt, or so he tells us. Now a soft play area magnate (©Ballpool Ali) with the opening of his Giggles Indoor Play area, Sam is looking to expand to St Marys where he will rent out the ball pool to exhausted Mals lost on their way back from the Bishop & Wolf. He hopes to introduce Lego house building and finger painting as demonstration sports in 2020.

One of the Mals best all round sportsmen, Sam's cheery demeanour (unless he has just lost a tennis match) is normally to be found in the heart of any social action.

213 Dave Martin**Dave 'Doc' Martin****ITV1**

Breaking off from *Doc Martin*, Martin (Clunes?) pops across from Port Issac or is that Port Quinn to join us for another sporting exodus. Not sure if he faints at the sight of blood or of his medical skills, but in previous escapades has left his fair share of casualties on the garrison and on the beaches. (Hold on we're now straying into Dunkirk territory). Like the medical sector, nepotism still very visible within Maldom although 'Doc' hasn't quite had time to yet follow all of his fathers footsteps... but has now too hung up his boots.

Hopefully this enlightens readers with a fabulous description of Dave/Doc and if indeed he is more related to the footwear than the TV show this should have been a different load of old cobblers...

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

With the exception of our incoming President, Haroldinho regularly makes the longest journey down all the way from Geordie-land. This gives him plenty of time to assess his squad options and plan his footy tactics – time very well spent last year as the results prove.

Never one to shy away from opinion or debate, Harry can often be heard at dinner when he feels his views will aid the matter in hand. Generally speaking that's the equivalent to pouring gasoline on the flames – but all in the spirit of the Mals eh?

A cricketer who's bowling contribution is a major weapon in our armoury – providing his assorted strappings, medication and stretching routine last the course. Go get 'em Hazza!

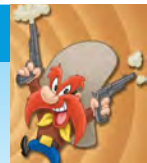
308 Tom Mileham**Ant****Lostwithiel**

Well, the lookey-likey twin new boys return fully fledged Mals after a successful flushing in last year.

The football captain will be much relieved to see Tom returning for the trip, giving some much needed pace and skill up front. His stint as a barman will also be useful on the trip.

Together with his inseparable buddy Dec, we have a partnership come double act to be proud of on the pitch and at the bar.

Enjoy the trip Jack/Tom/Ant/Dec.

288 Pete Nelstrop**Pistol Pete****Co-Op Stand, Row L**

The local silversmith in Pete's hometown rubs his hands with glee as Pistol Pete returns every October laden down with golf silverware for engraving, which is quite incredible seeing as how he claims not to know how to play. Well done Pete!

Aside from on course banditry, Pete is a dab hand on the bowls rink, and is a past master at the table tennis. A keen oenophile, he can often be found testing the temperature of Chablis at Juliette's Garden accompanied by a few blocks of Manchego cheese.

When not filling in EU forms, Pete loves nothing more than following newly promoted Lincoln City, thus suggesting long term memory issues.

252 Dave Nottingham**Notty****The Forest**

A big welcome back, after two years absence, it is good to have Notty back to lead the Mals football team to victory. Even though he is in his low 50's his experience will see him through at least the first half.

Notty is always good value on the trip a true Mal and with a plethora of new boys on the Trip he has many new victims to wind up.

272 Alex Polhill**Shambles****Hisownlittleworld**

Very, very few people have the talent to make Roy Bound look competent but Alex does so effortlessly.

As an advisor to the Academy Award Oscars voting process this year, Alex made his usual, valued contribution.

Yes, our golf Organizer has 3 sacred rules for success:

1. Change the rules in every golf comp we play each year
2. Collect in all the cards, check the points and check they all add up
3. Announce the winners in a random manner unrelated to point 2.

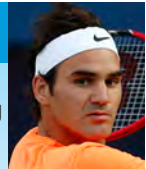
Despite the carnage, it's difficult not to have a soft spot for Mr Golf; he is always keen and always good fun, all in all a top Mal. Enjoy a great trip Alex!

278 Jamie Pooley**Poolos****Under a palm tree**

I cannot believe young Jamie is to be our President this year, his father, the late, Brian Pooley would have been very proud of him.

Well where does one start to pay tribute to the human Dynamo. Jamie's energy, enthusiasm is legendary. He will lead the Mals from the front and put in every effort to win.

He will make a great president, so strap yourselves in and get ready for the trip of a lifetime.

305 Mark Rhode**Herr Tennis****Surrey**

The traditional alpine hunting jacket complete with his overflowing Stein beer glass and accompanied by a chorus of Edelweiss makes a very welcome to the Mals dining room this year.

Like Roger Federer, Mark glides effortlessly around the court hitting winners at every turn. He is defending an unbeaten record on the islands, and who could possibly bet against his perfect, unblemished record remaining intact?

A great competitor and always keen, Herr Rhode is a quality Mal.

Rumour is that he is also a shoe-in for the football team this year (just in case it goes to penalties).

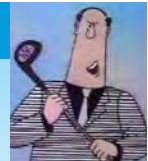
226 Paul Simmonds**Simmo****Rio**

Where do we begin here? This poor Cockney waif has spent nigh-on 30 years as Eddie's bitch, akin to a sub-plot from 'Scum' but without the happy ending (and you can read into that what you will).

He thought things had turned a corner a few years ago when he was anointed Golf Captain, but that just turned out to be another ruse from the Hierarchy to have him pander to the whims of other old duffers, pairing them up and cleaning their balls afterwards.

Why he keeps coming back, we'll never know, largely because the poor soul can now barely speak – he has completely lost the use of his 'r's.

So, if you see him at the bar, be kind. A wum'n'shwub will buy you a grin. If you can't face that, just top up his tab and find a less troubled soul to drink with... although come to think of it, I'm not sure there are any on this trip...

218 Andy Smith**Smithy****Dock of the Bay**

An eerie calm descended on the good ship Saucy Sue as she sped the honed athletic Mals back from a victorious visit off isle. All of a sudden, out of the mist came a deep, booming "Oom pa pa, Oom pa pa, Oom pa pa, Oom pa pa". It was of course the cavernous tones of lead baritone Andrew Smith embarking on a rousing chorus of *Delliah*.

Yes Smithy, aside from being a very talented shot, dart player, golfer, fisherman, thespian and all round leader of the pack, is also a past master at leading the community singing. Occasionally seen at dinner time, and never too shy at making his views known, Smithy is nether the less excellent company (during his waking moments).

236 Geoff Snell**Lord of the Admiralty****Dry land**

Our most senior ranking sailor makes another welcome return, anxious to ensure he never sets sail on the Islands again (and not even that keen on any of the other boats). Now firmly established as Hinge, to Ray Farr's Brackett, this very experienced Mal knows how to pace himself for the trip with some early evening gins mixing well with cocoa's for News at 10.

Fabulous company and a real gentleman, make the most of his dry anecdotes and giggles as well as a visit to Room 2 whilst this vintage stock lasts... they don't make Mals like this any more.

N/A Dave Truby**Brumshire****Ruby Ruby Ruby Ruby**

Dave joins us as the boyfriend of Jimmy G's grand-daughter. This is either a smart move by Jimmy to check out Dave's credentials over an intensive week, or a fantastic opportunity for Dave to call Jimmy 'Gramps' in front of a live and baying audience – or perhaps both.

Word has reached us that Dave is currently playing cricket in the Birmingham league and is a very handy all-rounder. His other sporting abilities are yet to be documented. We look forward to Dave unleashing his undoubted potential and thanks to Gramps for inviting him.

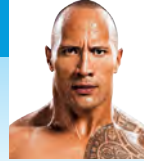
310 Jim Ward**Chip****Grantham**

Hewn from the same rugged granite as Wardy Senior it should be no surprise that young Jim is a first-rate sportsman, excelling in cricket, football and hockey.

After successfully negotiating the old man's presidency last year Jim will be up and raring to go to make his own mark on the Mals and the shins of any irritating opponent.

**268 Stewart Ward****The Rock****Ware**

A big welcome back to the ranks for the retiring president after a highly successful campaign in which he played golf a record two times! The Rock has starred in many badminton and hockey matches and is also a very handy darts and table tennis player. If you look hard enough, you may catch him peacefully relaxing to the sound of Nokia monophonic ringtones c. 1997.

**284 Keith Williams****Venus****Disneyland**

Keith's enthusiasm for the trip can be summarised with him winning the Presidents Endeavour Trophy in its inaugural year 2015. Such is his competitive nature that he brings a genuine touch of sporting class every time he represents the Mals.

As the years creep on, his turn of pace on the Garrison pitch might just be waning, however he has no problem speeding to the bar or getting stuck into the late night singing.

Keith has recently spent time acclimatising for the tomfoolery ahead with a trip to Disneyland. No doubt he'll see a few of his favourite characters propping up the bar at Tregarthens, singing in the Mermaid and prancing around the golf course – name names!

An asset to the trip and we look forward to another important contribution this year matey!

**N/A Calum Windeatt****Victor Junior****Southern Counties**

The son of Victor and grandson of the admiral, Calum is a welcome third generation to the trip. Highly competitive, and an excellent cricketer, Calum will however play any sport and meet any challenge head on. I'm told he's not as fussy as his dad but we'll be the judge of that.

Welcome Calum and enjoy your first trip.

**273 Dave Windeatt****Victor****Craven Cottage**

Good to see you on the trip this year DW, always good for a wum or two and a great laugh. One look at Dave's Facebook page and you will soon realise that he is in love with 5 things, himself, his family, dogs, golf and the beach (just not sure what order that should be in).

He is/was a super sportsman, just a bit crocked these days. The golf swing is hopefully still there though. But what he may lack in getting on the field of battle he more than makes up for in his support for the rest of the Mals, have a fab trip Dave.



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