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Editorial

Freddie Whitelaw

All change at the top

This year we have a new President in Michael Woodhall. He was announced last year as the President elect to succeed Max Davies and was duly elected as our President at the AGM. Max had 7 years at the helm and was probably delighted to hand over to Michael. He will certainly not miss some of the, as he said in his farewell speech at the AGM, “subversive” activities of a very small minority of our members “who feel for whatever reason that their opinions must over-ride the majority”. Michael is a somewhat more political animal with a long record in local politics and a fervent believer in achieving consensus. With some confidence, we wish him well.

After a long illness, we lost Karl Fuchs, our hon President, at the beginning of March this year. He ran the Eiger Hotel for over 50 years where was situated in the downstairs restaurant the famous “Round Table” around which DHO members met almost since the

inception of the club. He was also a past President of our friends at the local Swiss ski club, the Ski Club Wengen.

We are delighted that Viktor Gertsch, long time head of Central Sport, equally long time head of the Lauberhorn Race Organising Committee, has agreed to become our next Hon President. According to our Articles of Association, the Hon President is elected by the main committee and should be a Swiss Citizen and resident in Wengen. We are delighted that so eminent a member of the Wengen Skiing community should have agreed to become our Hon President.

New this year was Andrew Davies, the Wengen Manager. He came with his wife Hayley and youngster Lachlan, who was only 4 months old when he arrived in Wengen. Lachlan had doubled in age by the time he returned to Scotland at the end of the season. Andrew has confirmed he will be back this coming season with the family and we are looking forward to his enthusiastic leadership yet again. He was adjudged a great success.

Finally during the coming season, the 2014 Winter Olympics will occur in Sochi. We are mostly (but not exclusively) an Alpine Skiing Club. So it was disappointing to hear that there is virtually no government funding for our winter sports discipline and that such funding appeals as seem to exist have been so inconspicuous as to be close to invisible. Various fundraising initiatives are in train, organised by the Ladies Ski Club and the Skiers Trust and as information becomes available, it will be passed on. Speaking personally rather than as DHO Editor, this editor is inclined to the view that it is all a touch of “Too little, too late”. Ingie Christophersen’s contribution of a concert at her home Bentley near Lewes will actually take place whilst the Journal is at the printers. She is to be congratulated.

Disconnected Jottings

Reunion Weekend

Susie Davies has been a guiding light in the drive to encourage younger skiers to continue visiting Wengen after they have fled the “nest” at home. The plan is to hold a re-union weekend for such members.

For these younger members, who maybe find it financially difficult to spend a week (or two) in Wengen, the Re-union Weekend is scheduled for Friday 7th Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th February. Those who can spare the time can even come a day or two earlier and take in the McMillan Cup race on Thursday 6th February, our premier annual race.

This all takes place in the Wengen and Jungfrau region. Accommodation can be arranged to suit – some people will perhaps have access to apartments and chalets, others may want to book hotels. Sina Cova is offering competitive rates at the Falken which includes a lift pass. Budget rooms can be found at the Bernerhof and the Belvedere. Bed and breakfast is probably preferable so as to leave the evenings clear for partying.

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DHO AGM

The editor’s interest in the history of the club in particular, and Alpine skiing in general, does not extend to the records of our AGMs. So he is unable to pronounce on the uniqueness (or not) of a Friday AGM, rather than the more usual Thursday setting. This change has been brought about in order to make it easier for members who live out of town to come to the AGM and can stay overnight without losing a day at work the following day.

The Imperial Hotel is offering a 10% discount for DHO Members who wish to stay on the night of Friday 22nd. Book normally, but it is **ESSENTIAL** that you identify yourself as a DHO member when you check in to qualify for this special offer.

Fire in Wengen

A chalet on the slope up above the DHO apartment in the Breithorn at the side of the lower Brunner slope caught fire in the early evening of 12th January 2013. Just to prove that there is nothing that goes on in Wengen that our ex-president doesn’t know about, these photos were taken by Max Davies himself. He was on his way out from his own apartment when he saw the blaze.

Doubtless we will all find a completely refurbished chalet on our next visit to Wengen.



Max Davies captures the Wengen fire on camera (above) and the next day sees the full extent of the damage (left).

DHO Summer Week 2013 - Allmend BBQ & Crazy Golf Tournament

Although no firm arrangements were made for a walking week, more than 30 DHO members turned up in the Clubroom during the last week of July/first week in August. Brian and Christina Philips were much in evidence, making sure the clubroom was opened for "Happy Hour" in the evenings, and also organising two barbecues - cooking on the balcony - which were much enjoyed. Suzi Fuchs led a walk to the Lobhorn Hutte, and a number of other walks were also well attended. About 20 of us went to the restaurant at Allmend for a wonderful barbecue with Freddy and Lisa - who will be leaving for pastures new in September.



The walk back into the village as night fell was magical.

A new sport has been introduced for DHO members - Crazy Golf! Nine members battled the difficult Wengen course - huge fun, very competitive, and quite time consuming! Susie Davies emerged

victorious, with Roger Hoyle a close runner up. The winning team consisted of Susie, Liz and Michael Moore, John Schrader and Beatrice Ley.

A challenge will be issued in 2014, when the champion will attempt to retain the title!!

Bentley Drivers Club Wengen connection

This photograph of Keston Pelmore was discovered in a Silverstone race meeting programme last year by Edward Perrott, the DHO's fastest over 60 year old ace ski racer. We have been given permission to reproduce it here by Keston Pelmore's niece, Bronwen Hickmot.

Keston Pelmore was the founder of the Bentley Drivers Club in 1936. As an enthusiastic Bentley owner, he was disappointed to discover there was no driver's club for Bentleys. So he had cards printed suggesting a meeting and placed them on the windscreen of every Bentley he found at the first spring meeting at Brooklands in March 1936. From that action sprang a "get together" and then the formation of the club.

The photo is of Keston Pelmore at Wengen in December 1936. The location would appear to be around the top of the bumps near Wasserstation railway halt, a popular



starting point for an easy run back to Wengen in those days.

Pelmore joined the RAF on the outbreak

of the second World War and was a pilot in Bomber Command. He was shot down on a bombing raid to Dusseldorf in 1941 and he died at the controls of his Vickers Wellington.

3 x MI6

An article in the Times this August prompted the editor to dig into the club archives.

This photo, copied out of the 1934 British Ski Year Book, shows the complete British FIS Team of that year. It is of slightly more relevance to the Kandahar than the DHO, it does however feature Chris Mackintosh, our President from 1957 to 1964. From left to right, they are Cameron (reserve), Bushell, Hudson, Clyde (vice captain), Lunn (captain), Mackintosh (ex-captain), Riddell, Maclaren (reserve) and Col Long (manager).



Of the 6 skiing members of this team, 3 of them were to become members of MI6 during the 2nd World War. Peter Lunn was perhaps the most famous for his exploits in organising the tapping of the Russian telephone cables in Berlin and Vienna after the war. He never admitted to being an MI6 agent due to his oath of secrecy, but George Blake and other Russian spy masters paid him the compliment of acknowledging his skill as a worthy opponent.

Peter is thought to have been a career MI6 man, unlike the other two who were officers of a shorter duration. Chris Mackintosh was known within his family to have had a role in the secret world, but more recently he has been identified as being a member of MI6 working in Europe. Roger Bushell is famous in a very different way (significantly enhanced by the efforts of Hollywood) but

only this year was he, too, identified as another MI6 agent which he had been both before and whilst he was a prisoner of war. Of these 3, all were Kandahar members, and Lunn and Mackintosh were DHO members.

Squadron Leader Bushell's more famous role? He was a prisoner of war in Stalag Luft III and it was he who organised the mass break out of prisoners from that camp. The film "The Great Escape" was a slightly fictionalised version of this break out, and the actor Richard Attenborough played the part of Sq Ldr Roger Bartlett, who was strongly based upon Bushell. 76 prisoners escaped in the tunnel nick-named "Harry" and after the majority were captured (only 3 of them actually made "home-runs"), 50 of

their number were shot by the Gestapo. Roger Bushell was one of those shot. The film took some liberties with history, including putting into the escape the character played by Steve McQueen (who was based upon a real person, a US pilot called David Jones), when in fact all US prisoners had been moved to their own compound some 7 months earlier and thus no American was actually an escapee in the event upon which the film was based. Capt Virgil Hiltz (played by McQueen) was included to make the film more attractive to a North American audience, and the character Roger Bartlett is best thought of as being based upon the real Roger Bushell, but perhaps lacking 100% historical accuracy.

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Centenary of the Allmendhubel Bahn

There was no easy skiing at Wengen or Mürren in the first decade of last century. There was no winter uphill transport to either village beyond Lauterbrunnen. And if by dint of enormous physical effort you got to either village, both were on plateaux with no obviously easy skiable downhill exit routes.

Hoteliers, particularly, wanted to make it easier for winter visitors to reach the villages and eventually, led by Fritz Borter in Wengen and Henry Lunn in Mürren (respectively the owners of the Palace Hotel Wengen and the Palace Hotel Mürren) the railway was persuaded to run to both villages in winter, just as they had been doing for some several years in summer. This was achieved by a promise to underwrite any losses incurred (as well as threats to apply for a licence to build their own uphill transport). So at least thereafter skiers, skaters, tobogannners and curlers could reach their ultimate destinations relatively easily. Life was a trifle simpler in Wengen, all they needed to do was to persuade the railway to open their track a little further each year, not an easy task of persuasion, but first to Allmend, then to Wasserstation, next to Wengernalp and finally to Kleine Scheidegg in the winter of 1913/14. In Mürren they had the Hubel, a nearby hill behind the village and eventually a funicular railway was built up to the top of the Allmendhubel after constant encouragement and persuasion from Henry and Arnold Lunn. This opened over Christmas of 1912/13. Thereafter life was easier on both sides of the valley, you could then take uphill transport to a destination above your hotel and ski back down. You still needed skins to venture off left and right and the nature of skiing was much more like today's glacier touring than skiing downhill on pistes after using uphill lifts. It was, for instance, a formidable expedition if (as Arnold Lunn did), you took the one and only morning train from Lauterbrunnen to Scheidegg, skinned from there via the summer path to Männlichen and then skied down to Grindelwald before returning to Mürren by train via Zweilutschinen and Lauterbrunnen.



The DHO party across in Mürren

So the village of Mürren thought it appropriate to celebrate the centenary of the Allmendhubel Bahn since it marked the beginning of Mürren as a genuine ski resort and a party of DHO members were invited across to help them celebrate.

Vice President Susie Davies was our leader, the party also included Bob Eastwood, Sarah Hoyle and Andrew Davies. Bernie Lunn (grandson of Arnold Lunn) was one of the representatives of Mürren's most illustrious immigrant family and Eddie (The Eagle) Edwards was brought in by Mürren to give some extra publicity.

We are likely to have reason to celebrate several other centenaries over the next few years. Our Swiss friends may get bored at what the British claim to have started. It could be argued that this coming season's centenary of the winter opening of train

journeys to Kleine Scheidegg was a much greater precursor to the establishment of the Jungfrau region as a ski area than ever was the building of the Allmendhubel Bahn. In 2021 we can celebrate the first British ski championship, held on the Lauberhorn, 9 years before any other nation followed suit. In Mürren, we can expect a celebration of the first ever Slalom in 2022, Or in 2024 the first "international" ski race, held down the Barhag (more or less following today's McMillan Cup race piste). All these occasions occurred before either the Kandahar or DHO existed. They do have Arnold Lunn as a common factor, usually as a representative of the BSA or SCGB and they do have the British as organisers and principle participants. But neither Kandahar nor DHO can legitimately make claim of ownership of anything that happened before 30th January 1924 (but doubtless we both will!).



Andrew Davies with Eddie (The Eagle) Edwards



Bernie Lunn with Bob Eastwood



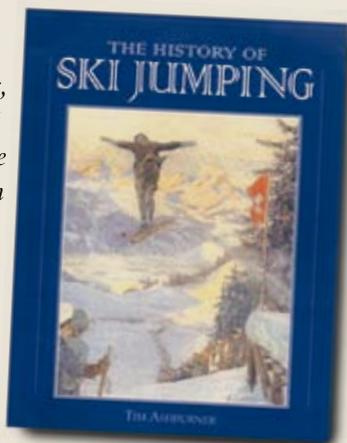
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Tim Ashburner

I can only say: Fantastic, fantastic, fantastic again! It seems to me unbelievable that someone can research so far back about a sport nobody has written much about before. There is so much about skiing and ski jumping that I did not know...



Tim you are a champion!

Karl Molitor, Wengen

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Change of nickname



Many members will know John Pailthorpe who has been a member since 2008. So as to extend his visits to Wengen, he took up residence down the valley and was “christened” Lauterbrunnen John in consequence.

This year he moved to the Gentiana, the annexe to the Falken and the various wags around Wengen were trying to invent a new name for him. Favourite was John Gentian and one or two others unprintable here.

But best attempt came from Charlie Murray Brown who had accompanied John on two recent runs where John skied off piste and a snow-bridge collapsed under him dropping him into a stream on both occasions.

Charlie’s new nickname for John? Well, naturally, none other than **John the Baptist!!**

Avalanche from Silberhorn

On the day of the Railway Cup a trainload of skiers were passing under the Wixi lift bridge when a large avalanche fell on the other side of the valley. Train passenger Alan Norris grabbed his camera and sent us these 2 photos. The first shows the snow and debris falling down the cliffs opposite, the second taken after a decent passage of time shows the cliffs swept relatively clear of snow and the bottom right hand corner of the Silberhorn entirely missing.

Swiss Honesty

In the Wengen Manager’s report is an “editor’s note” where we comment that the editor dropped and lost a rather expensive camera lens somewhere between the start on the McMillan Cup piste and the finish at Aspen. Its loss was reported at Grund station and there they suggested phoning WAB HQ at Interlaken. At Interlaken they gave the news that it should be reported online. But no earlier than 3 days after the loss, because anything found has first to be sent to a central “lost and found” depot and then officially logged in. By this time the editor was home in the UK. However the system works well and easily and the loss of a Sony 3.5 – 5.6 zoom lens was entered into the system. Only a few seconds later came a list of “found” objects that seemed to match some of the characteristics of the lost item, various camera pieces, the odd lens and so on. Lo and behold, there was a Sony Lens that exactly matched the lost one.

The only glitch in the whole exercise occurred at this point. One is asked to phone a number to register one’s claim, but it is a premium number that you cannot access from the UK. Who you know, rather

than what you know became vital. A quick call to Urs Kessler’s secretary produced a number that did work from the UK and in due course the lens was claimed. The serial number matched too! It was sent to Wengen station, there collected by Andrew Davies and immediately handed over to an old friend, Nigel Cornelius, who was scheduled to leave Wengen next morning. Nigel lives only 20 minutes from the editor, so a rendez-vous was easily arranged.

In this day and age, with the internet and auction sites like ebay, it would have been very easy for anything so relatively small and valuable to be sold on ebay within a few days. Someone could have sold it for maybe £120 and the editor (or his insurance company) left facing a replacement bill of about £250. The honest citizen’s name was not divulged, so name and nationality is unknown, but he/she handed it in at Kleine Scheidegg railway station the same afternoon it was lost. Swiss or not, the editor is very grateful to his saviour. Total cost? About £20 fee to WAB. Cheap at the price!



Roossi-huus

The Roossihuus apartment sleeps 6 people, very comfortably, in the top floor of this fabulous chalet, built in 2003, with stunning views of the Jungfrau and over the Lauterbrunnen Valley, minutes' walk to Wengen village centre.

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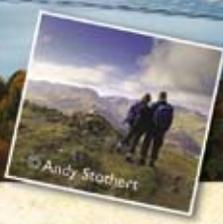
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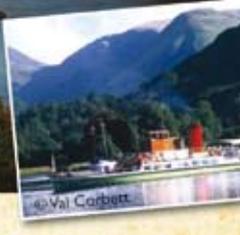
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Wengen Manager's Report

Andrew Davies 2012/13

Wengen! No wonder people stay for years. Is there a more impressive backdrop than the Jungfrau and 'Rivendell'? No.

People often say home is where the heart is and with holidays here when I was 12, a few weeks skiing holidays and Hayley learning to ski here, Wengen already had bits of my heart and thus feeling at home came naturally.

On arrival at the train station in Lauterbrunnen I was tired. Susie Davies and Tony Davis supported the decanting of the car, which was appreciated by Matthew (my younger brother) and myself. We found the apartment more than satisfactory and settled in easily. The season then started with a great culture of generosity, parties and laughter. A culture that continued throughout the winter. The exhaustion that had come with such a long drive wore off quickly.

That first week included a magnificent DHO introduction to Wengen and the ski area, by both people and weather. Bob Eastwood and I started a season that was to be full of friendly banter and excellent mountain food. He took me round many of the cafés and mountain restaurants, he introduced me to owners, managers and workers. We met Lotti at the Jägerstübli (Lotti looked after me and

all the assistant leaders amazingly throughout the season, thank you Lotti!) Peter in 'Bob's Office', Martin in the Railway Restaurant and many others.

As soon as I started skiing in the area, members talked about places that were just names to me: - DHO Gap, Telegraph Field, Sprockets Hole, Oh God!, White Hare, Honegg Couloirs, "that one that goes down to the railway from the Wixi - Lauberhorn split" (something to do with trousers), Hotel Fields etc. Unfortunately Bob was unable to do the off-piste tour in a professional capacity so we hired John Parsons to show me round. We were blessed with a day of sunshine following about 2ft of new snow. It was a great day and as it turned out very useful to me and all the people I led around the mountain over the season; of course everyone was right, I was expected to know these places.

Hayley and Lachlan, along with Hayley's parents, were to arrive on the 17th of December. At 16:30 Hayley called me from Geneva, all was hunky dory! By 17:30 it was not: Handbag, money, passport, sentimental watch, phone; gone! Despite the beauty of the mountains, the welcome of the people and cleanliness of the apartment, Hayley was distraught. Lachlan was of course oblivious

and continued to bring smiles to everyone's faces. On Friday mostly due to Swiss efficiency, I was able to collect Hayley's handbag from Wengen train station complete with passports, the watch (a 21st gift from Hayley's late Grandfather) and phone. Hayley pointed out 'it was Christmas; the thief had probably needed it more than her'! From then on Hayley and Lachlan revelled in their time in Wengen.

On the Opening Weekend, Brian & Christina Phillips (and others) organised a stall for the club. Sausage rolls and hot toddies were brilliant but the weather was not; it rained! Still we spoke of a much better early season than the previous year and a fun evening was had in the Club Room.



DHO Carol singing

Our next engagement in the village was a Christmas carol sing. This was a great success and many are looking forward to repeating it; we started with eight singing

in the street and finished with 40 at Hotel Falken for glüwein, thank you Sina Cova (owner of Hotel Falken). Sina welcomed Hayley, myself and our family on several occasions to her hotel, we greatly appreciated this.

It was to be the season of snow! Did it snow every week of the season? Yes. There was at least one sunny day every week, so no visitors missed the awesome scenery for an entire week. The fresh snowfall kept the place looking bright and clean, the cloud kept many people from coming out. There was much debate about whether we would prefer more sun and less snow or not; we were split; as apart from the dedicated racers like Jeremy Whittet (son of Helen, active racer on the Scottish circuit) nobody really prefers ice, but everyone likes to be able to see where they are going.

The first club race of the season was a treasure hunt, the Heinz Cup. Even though the weather was appalling, four teams took part. By 2pm all but the T-bars were shut. One team had gone up in the Männlichen cable car, walked round the building and then came straight back down; this proved to be an excellent decision as less than half an hour later the cable car closed. Despite the foul weather, we had great fun giving out the prizes that evening in the club room. Fun Thursday Prizegivings continued all season. The Heinz Cup this coming season will be on Boxing Day. Sign-up sheets will be out on Christmas Eve.

During the festive period we had a parallel night-slalom with DHO Racing and Training which was very well attended. The Nae Limits challenge ran all winter. Its first outing saw David Bolle-Jones win by completing 6000 vertical meters of skiing. As the season progressed the numbers got bigger: Kev and Angie Gould (long term Wengeners but new members this winter) skied 12,000m, then the Early Birds, the Petersons and the Hooligans took to yet another level, their 16,000m would have achieved a place in the Jungfrau Region's top 100 ski days.

January brought the longest period without snow, some enjoyable cruising on the Piste and Lachlan spent a few nights sleeping which was most appreciated! The Lauberhorn

Downhill was very exciting. In the weeks before the big race there was the usual chattering about possible cancellation, not enough snow? Too warm? Too windy? On the day it was perfect. Sunday is the slalom and Angie & Kevin Gould enjoyed the day having received tickets for winning the second Nae Limits Challenge. Friday was attended by Brian and Christina Phillips as representatives of the DHO and as a thank you for all their work with the clubroom committee and its many successful events. On Saturday Hayley, Lachlan and I attended; we demonstrated our lack of knowledge / experience well; we thought we would be able to get on at Wengen with the buggy! We managed to adjust our ticket and we set off for the finishing area. We were very impressed to see Ryan Regez (son of Clare Regez) as one of the fore-runners and were pleased to be in the finish area to congratulate him.

The Inferno Downhill was set to run the full length for the first time in 16 years and in excellent weather. Jeremy Howard, manager of the Pickel Bar and our DHO Inferno Team Captain organised the team's entrance to the race. Wednesday night he issued our start numbers, then on Thursday led a training day when many of us skied the run for the first time. On the day we met at the Hotel Jungfrau in Mürren, for team pictures, motivational chat and some encouraging hugs. Sarah Hirst-Malin and I were pretty nervous Inferno virgins and setting off in the last 16 of the day. Sarah concluded the race. She was last across the finish line, having crashed at Winteregg. Sarah discovered several days later she had not simply bruised but had badly injured her shoulder. I was pleased to see her skiing again later in the season. The race involved a lot of burning! Burning calories! My mind burned with worry! Excitement burned my throat dry! Schussing burned my thighs! Waiting burned my arms with cold! Air burned my face as I flew down the mountain, the Inferno! I would like to thank Jeremy for all his hard work and to mention an Inferno stalwart Peter Fairclough, he was our wisest and most honourable member in attendance however I believe he has decided to retire from the event now, so thank you Peter for your inspiration, commitment and good cheer. I am very excited about Inferno 2014.



Lauberhorn finish area; Andrew, Hayley and Eden Davies

On the day of the Lucy Dicker plate; the ski school advised me at short notice that they needed to practice on the slope and I could not have access until much too late for me to set the course. Bob, who had kindly offered to help, was struck down with Wengen flu! Disaster? No. The head of the Ski School set an excellent course for me as soon as they finished their training. The race was run, winners won and much enjoyment had; phew!

There were many unknowns for the McMillan as well. Did I have enough help and would enough people enter? Would the course be pisted? Would there be massive mounds of snow and a broken piste basher on the course? Yes. Yes. No. Then on the morning 2" of fresh snow lay on perfect corduroy! Unfortunately my Finish Line Chief (Susie Davies, still planning to assist, despite a recently dislocated shoulder) had transport difficulties. So my assistant leader was left in charge on the finish line.

The final outcome: a few complaints about the clarity of the start (Thanks Big John, I will be clearer next time) but a close finish for the top 5, a beautiful race on an empty piste for the rest, as usual Journal photographer Freddie came last (*editor's note: "I'd taken some 70 photos of the start until everyone had passed by, dismantled the camera, unknowingly dropped and lost a lens, stuffed it all in a too small bum bag, put on my gloves, found my poles and finally set off about 4 minutes after the start, I failed to overtake anyone -unlike the previous year when 2 people obligingly fell over to assist my overtaking"*) and a well organised Heather Thexton and finish line team to organise the standings. All this concluded a thoroughly enjoyable day. A huge thank you to all who helped, it is not possible to run the race without you!

McMillan week also includes the awarding of the Waldo Cup, this year presented to Duncan Lonie for his on-going work as treasurer of the club.

The story in the background of most of the races included near disaster, close calls or deep concern: for the Polytechnic I had enlisted some support, calamity befell and so alone I set the gates on a cold cheerless morning. However my brother Matt did make it to be my time keeper and race support and once again we all thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, the fog cleared and the sun warmed. Next year everyone can look forward to slightly more open courses with less big braking corners but hopefully still no injury giving crashes!

Sadly Richard Lovell announced he is to retire from leading. He has supported the Wengen Manager over many decades. Thank you Richard for your years of service to the club, hopefully we will still see you in Wengen.

Brian Phillips took the lead in many successful events over 2012/13! The intimate night of ten at the Park was really enjoyable, whilst the Allmend nights with the Pork Crackling were immense fun. My family will probably have to attend a little differently next year as Lachlan will be toddling rather than sleeping on the table! We anticipate many more of these evenings, please keep an eye out for them if you are self-catering in Wengen next year, or even in a hotel and you fancy a change.

Of course Lachlan was my star of the season, his hair has now gone completely blond and he is jabbering away almost constantly, enjoying eating a wide variety of food and destined to become a mobile menace. He is still at home in large crowds and I hope he will be delighted when we return to the mountains in December

It was a pleasure to meet every single member, friend, skier, walker etc. last winter and hopefully many of you will be in town

again. I would like to apologise to everyone whose name I forget next year, I just can't hold them all in my brain. Geoffrey Gay, who I will probably remember now, was very kind in reminding me each time we met!

With the winter of 2013/14 over, Hayley, Lachlan & I are excited about returning next year. We look forward to all sorts of things: a team skiing more vertical than the Early Birds in one of the Nae Limits challenges, the AICC training and races, both Hayley and I competing in the Inferno, running the McMillan race week again, testing the Tourist Cup and therefore awarding the Combination Trophy, possibly managing to have a Skier Cross event, a February Railway Cup, better weather for the Christmas Heinz Cup, more sunshine but just as much snow, great food, excellent company, passing port to the left and skiing almost every day.

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Race Results

Winter 2012/13

HEINZ CUP TREASURE HUNT

RACE HEINZ CUP
DATE 27th December 2012
TIME 08:45 – 10.45 Registration
PISTE Whole Wenegen & Männlichen Area
CONDITIONS Soft new snow on good base, snowing, raining, blowing a total hoolley most of the day, lifts dropped off like flies and eventually only the train was running.

TEAMS

Austin, Myles(Clayton), Perkins/Davis, Susie&friends, Team Caprice, Davis+

OVERALL RESULTS

- 1 Davis+ - Alfredo, Richard Hackett, Christina Taylor & Tony Davis:
29 points, least time on piste and most points for their sonnet
- 2 Team Caprice - Alan Norris, Juliet Quartermain, Genevieve & Elliot
Norris: 29 points
- 3 Perkins & Davis - Ian * Cynthia Perkins, Jane Dawson & Lizzie Davis:
25.5 points
- 4 Susie&friends - Susie Davies, Helen Whittet, Paul & Deborah Flindall:
23.5 points

LUCY DICKER RACE

RACE LUCY DICKER Parallel Slalom
DATE Tuesday 5th February
 1st Prize: Overall Winner. Neil Whittet

KURVEREIN CRYSTAL RACE

RACE KURVEREIN CRYSTAL
DATE Thursday 7th March 2013
TIME -
PISTE Lauberhorn Start Hut to first Corner
CONDITIONS Fair weather - warm and clearing, snow soft

OVERALL RESULTS

Gemma & Christopher	00:58.56
Angie & Kev	01:01.18
Cynthia & Alistair	01:05.17
Martin & Sandy	01:12.93
Peter & Wendy	01:17.95
Pat & Geoff	01:20.43
David & Barbara	01:30.46
Nigel & Jane	01:45.00
Jeremy & Antoinette	02:25.75
John & Dorine	DQ 01:14.00 & 01:01.75
Andrew & Nik	1:00.54

ODLING CUP RACE

RACE Odling Cup (GS)
DATE 28/3/13
TIME 12.00 noon
COURSE Lauberhorn Start Hut to First Corner
CONDITIONS Cloudy with flat light, snow firm and fast
TIMING All times in seconds. Race was to be based on combined time of two runs
APOLOGIES This was a non-handicapped event, racers raced in random order, course was set to slow where needed.
 (F) = fell on course

OVERALL RESULTS

8 Paul Thurk	69.37
6 Neil Paterson	70.67*
2 William Younger	70.77**
1 Freddie Younger	72.32
14 Liz Moore	76.58***
12 Charles Ryan	77.15
4 John Stanner	77.33
7 Christian Wells	79.13
11 Adrian Pepper	81.62
22 Henrietta Wells	82.11
10 Jonathan Walker	83.29
13 Lizzie Davis	84.92
9 Simon Williamson	85.79
15 Mary McCutcheon	86.77
17 Nic Taylor	88.23
18 Mike Oldham	94.41
20 John Pailthorpe	97.15
16 Don McCutcheon (F)	97.79
23 Lydia Allen	98.13
24 Dermot McGilvary	100.61
5 Nuala Jones (F)	116.50
19 Deborah Flindall	120.41
3 Freddie Gay	DNF 35.18 DQ
21 Michael Woodhall	DNF 63.87 (ws) DQ
DNS Gill Walker	DNS
DNS Cynthia Perkins	DNS
DNS Ian Perkins	DNS
DNS Max Davies	DNS
DNS Gillian Davies	DNS

* Non Member

**Fastest Junior

***Fastest Female

(ws) = wooden spoon

McMILLAN CUP RACE

RACE McMILLAN CUP DOWNHILL
DATE Thursday 7th February 2013
TIME 12.00 noon
PISTE Ladies downhill (Tschuggen Glade)
CONDITIONS Fine, course soft, safe and clean

OVERALL RESULTS

8	Jean-Daniel Gluck	2.22.37
	McMillan/Stretcher	
38	Joe Williamson	2.23.00
	Half Piste	
29	Nick Kennett	2.23.45
	Chaplain/Bathchair	
22	Theodore Taylor	2.24.54
16	Ed Perrot	2.26.73
	Open	
6	George Senior	2.38.76
4	Martin West	2.39.87
30	Rene Seiler	2.42.33
	Heavenly Bowl	
11	Michael Oliver	3.09.90
23	Nicholas Taylor	3.12.34
	Jarvis	
32	James Ommanney	3.15.69
17	Lucy Maskey	3.21.08
	Security/Falken	
10	Roger Scoones	3.24.70
33	Phil Gepfert	3.25.23
37	Kate Branigan	3.32.41
	Lockhart	
5	Andy Seaman	3.33.20
	Fountain	
31	Carol West	3.42.52
	Grannie	
20	Peter Job	3.50.64
1	Anne Freund	3.53.72
2	Mark Ransom	3.54.74
13	Helen Whittet	3.56.56
3	Kate Ransom	4.16.79
	Half Ton	
7	Big John Polatch	4.21.01
35	Myles Bessborough	4.39.30
24	Max Davies	4.54.16
36	Sarah Walduck	5.34.50
25	Donald McGilray	5.39.98
	Ashes	
26	Michael Woodhall	5.57.97
18	Michael Maskey	6.19.38
28	Diane Patterson	6.21.38
	Angel Plate	
15	Freddie Whitelaw	11.40.62

Wengen NO-Limit 2012-2013 Challenge**OVERALL RESULTS**

20/12/13	David Bolle-Jones	6914
16/1/13	Goulds	12604
28/2/13	Hacket, Clare, and Adams	14868 – 2nd 12486
	the early birds	
21/3/13	Early Birds	15868
	season winners. 2nd the Petersons with 12596	

The Early Birds are:

Lizzie Davis, Donna Gandy-Wright, Maureen Fanshaw & Nuala Jones

ANDY CAPP**OVERALL RESULTS**

Name	Actual	Andy	Adjusted
Dan Crouch	23.97	0	23.97
Cynthia Perkins	39.20	27	24.06
Robert Harrington	38.62	26	24.26
John Smith	38.40	25	24.67
Ian Perkins	37.02	22	25.37
Elizabeth Gaye	25.69	0	25.69
Tony Davis	35.74	19	26.03
Hayley Davies	35.98	19	26.20
Stephen Penrose	26.51	0	26.51
Wills Younger	26.61	0	26.61
Freddie Gaye	26.67	0	26.67
John Lewis	32.70	12	27.09
David Holdsworth	27.11	0	27.11
Kate Lewis	32.96	12	27.30
Sarah Hirst-Malin	31.42	9	27.37
Alistair Drew	31.46	9	27.41
Matthew Davies	32.59	11	27.46
Lizzie Davis	31.06	8	27.51
Adam Humphreys	29.72	5	27.60
Freddie Younger	28.00	1	27.60
john Pailthorpe	31.18	8	27.61
Liz Moore	28.92	3	27.68
James Penrose	28.28	1	27.90
Andrew Davies	29.50	4	28.40

EAGLES SNOGGINS CUP

RACE EAGLES SNOGGINS CUP
DATE 14th February 2013
PISTE Lauberhorn Race Piste
CONDITIONS Firm and sunny

OVERALL RESULTS

1	Zak Hopkins	52.64
2	Lol Hopkins	52.97
3	Giles Hirst-Malin	54.36
4	Elizabeth Ihrig	55.11
5	Michael Nolan	55.31
6	Henry Simpson	01.02.12
7	Elise Bright	1.03.57
8	Bea Ley	1.06.68

POLYTECHNIC CUP**RACE** POLYTECHNIC CUP**CONDITIONS** MISTY

Polytechnic Cup 2013 - Smallest Gap between 2 times

OVERALL RESULTS

Alistair Drew	8
John Pailthorpe	10
Michael Oldham	10
Lizzie Davis	27
Hugh Tayler	42
Richard Malin	56
Nick Taylor	76
Nigel Ley	106
Vanessa Fisher	112
Guy Fisher	219
John Smith	265
Ian Perkins	344
Nigel Pitt	568
Michelle Tayler	677
Cynthia Perkins	730
Ben Tayler	4492
Heather Thexton	5846
Sue Davies	8293
Robert Harrington	13122

COGGINS CHRISTMAS RACE**RACE** COGGINS CHRISTMAS RACE**DATE** 28 December 2012**PISTE** Bumps**CONDITIONS** Dull with firm snow**OVERALL RESULTS**

Caroline Gay	32.10
Catherine Gay	32.39
Hannah Currie	34.54
Xander Younger	35.37
Mathew Booth	35.53
Isabel Egger	35.65
Felipe Horcajo	35.65
Pascale Egger	35.70
Jack Olsen	37.12
Charlie Spicer	37.28
Elena Horcajo	37.67
Conor Alken	37.68
Sophie Alken	37.96
Jenny Alken	38.59
Angus Ogallagher	39.11
Hannah Austin	43.01
Rosa Boutelle	47.15
Also rans	
Freddy Gay	30.87
Wills Younger	31.61
Freddy Younger	37.09

INAUGURAL RACING & TRAINING**RACE** INAUGURAL RACING & TRAINING SPECIAL COMBINED**CONDITIONS** OVERCAST**DATE** 3/1/12**RACE TYPE** GS - Gates**PISTE** MÄNNLICHEN**OVERALL RESULTS**

1	Jean-Daniel Gluck	66.05
2	Elizabeth Gay	72.99
3	Freddie Myles	75.34
4	Freddie Gay	76.38
5	Geoffrey Gay	80.23
6	Giles Hirst	81.22
7	Caroline Gay	81.70
8	Catherine Gay	82.37
9	Richard Hackett	85.06
10	Marie-Laure Eby	85.97
11	Jamie Younger	88.32
12	Steve Smith	88.37
13	Nicholas Taylor	90.41
14	Kate Nolan	91.35
15	Jane Dawson	93.09
16	Eddie Myles	111.98
17	Freddie Younger	DNF
18	Will Younger	DNF
19	Will Myles	DNF
20	Sarah Hirst	DNF
21	Alex Rogerson	DNF
22	Rebecca Myles	DNF
23	Xander Younger	DNF

COGGINS POLYTECHNIC CUP**RACE** COGGINS POLYTECHNIC CUP**DATE** 14 February 2013**PISTE** Lauberhorn Race Piste**CONDITIONS** Firm and sunny**OVERALL RESULTS**

1	Toby Francis	00.56.11
2	Olivia Moir	1.00.80
3	Katy Ditchfield	1.01.32
4	Craig Ditchfield	1.01.61
5	Madeline Bright	1.02.23
6	Zac Coxon	1.02.63
7	Alfie Ley	1.04.18
8	Megan Ward	1.06.11
9	Wallace Fisher	1.06.81
10	Thomas Darcy	1.07.29
11	Rory Francis	1.07.29
12	Mathew Nolan	1.08.87
13	Elijah Price	1.09.04
14	Mia Coxon	1.10.04
15	Finlay Coxon	1.13.79

COGGINS NEW YEAR CUP

RACE COGGINS NEW YEAR CUP
DATE 03.01.13
PISTE Männlichen
CONDITIONS Dull with firm snow

OVERALL RESULTS

Alex Gibson	40.69
Zak Coxon	42.67
Pascale Egger	43.59
Mia Coxon	43.69
Isabel Egger	43.74
Charlie Spicer	43.83
Dylan Griffith	44.67
Amelia "Bob" Cooper	44.92
Conor Alken	45.88
Gemma Hall	46.01
David Duffy	46.18
Sophie Alken	46.22
John Duffy	46.25
Jemima Myles	46.65
Wallace Fisher	46.71
Daisy Dixon	47.29
Finlay Coxon	50.67
Mair Griffith	60.01
Gabriel Hernan	60.76
Daniel Hernan	80.97

COGGINS MID TERM CUP

RACE COGGINS MID TERM CUP
DATE 21st February 2013
PISTE Lauberhorn
CONDITIONS Fair

OVERALL RESULTS

1 John Lewis	28.45
2 Will Robinson	29.29
3 William Mucklow	29.58
4 Isabel Egger	29.66
5 Pascale Egger	30.59
6 Ilja Novak	31.20
7 Georgia Barr	33.36
8 Matthew Biggs	33.81
9 Jago Turner	36.42
10 Raj Patel	36.72
11 Sophie Robinson	36.84
12 James Holdsworth	36.92
13 Livvy Barr	37.07
14 Phoebe Shelley	37.23
15 Jemima Bullock	38.18
16 Andrei Novak	38.76
17 Ned Wolfe	44.58
18 Sophie Lewis	46.04

COGGINS EASTER CHAMPIONSHIP

RACE COGGINS EASTER CHAMPIONSHIP
DATE 28th March 2013
PISTE Lauberhorn Start Hut to First Corner
CONDITIONS Cold, flat light with firm snow

OVERALL RESULTS

1 Xander Younger	39.50
2 Jack Thurk	40.42
3 Angus O'Gallagher	41.90
4 Freddie Pepper	45.75
5 Ashley Thurk	47.73
6 Jemima Bullock	47.89
7 Izzy Brown	48.02
8 Mikey Thurk	48.28
9 Ned Wolfe	49.51
10 Renny Brown	54.23

BMW SPECIAL EASTER RACE

RACE BMW SPECIAL EASTER RACE
DATE 4th April 2013
PISTE Männlichen BMW Race course
CONDITIONS Cloudy, excellent

OVERALL RESULTS

1 Toby Francis	27.50
2 Wallace Fisher	30.91
3 Rory Francis	31.17
4 Elliot Norris	32.21
5 Ben Geddes	33.35
5 Gemma Hall	33.35
6 Harriet Garthwaite	33.57
7 Alexander Garthwaite	34.26

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President's Report 2013

Michael Woodhall

It was an honour to be elected as President of the DHO in November last year. I follow a long line of distinguished former presidents, all of whom over many years added stature and commitment to our club.

Our former president Max Davies worked tirelessly to maintain the high standards and respect which we enjoy across the skiing world. His determination and negotiating skills enabled us to acquire our current club room of which we are indeed proud.

I first came to Wengen in January 1968 and have been visiting the village most years ever since. My two children were taught to ski in the ski school and like me have a deep affection for the village. I have a number of close friends who I first met in those early days and it is such a pleasure to ski with them still.

This last Season I was in and out of the village for almost 5 weeks. My first visit in December was to welcome our new manager, Andrew Davies and his wife Hayley together with their delightful son, Lachlan. Our Vice-President, Susie Davies along with others had made sure that they settled in to the club apartment and meeting up with our Wengen contacts. I am most grateful.

As for most of us the McMillan week was much enjoyed with some excellent skiing and social events. We had a record entry for the Inferno in Mürren and I enjoyed a splendid day there cheering on our team. I was able to make a brief visit to Meiringen-Hasliberg to support the schoolboy's races and present the prizes. There was an amazing turnout and I was proud to see our DHO banners at the finish signifying the huge involvement that our team led by Richard & Maureen Berry, Sarah Hoyle and Ingie Christophersen put into the efficient running of this event.

Later on in the season I went over to Zermatt to the Amateur Inter-Club Championship races where our team once again excelled themselves. We are, as always, most obliged to Liz Moore for all her efforts in helping to make this event so successful.

Just before Easter we held the President's reception and over 120 people joined us for wine and canapés. It was indeed a most enjoyable evening and our catering team did a splendid job. Maintaining our close links with the village community in all its aspects is such an important part of our skiing life.

On a sadder note, we were sorry to learn of the death of Karl Fuchs, our Honorary

President, on 1st March. He had been ill for some time and was in a home down in the valley. Some 20 of our members attended his funeral in Lauterbrunnen.

I am delighted to report that Viktor Gertsch has agreed to become our next Honorary President. He will already be well known to most DHO members as the head of Central Sport and as the President of the Lauberhorn race Organising Committee.

Our Club Room continues to give a warm and friendly welcome to members and guests. Brian & Christina Phillips were there throughout the season to ensure that the in-house day to day running went smoothly.

For those of us who were in Wengen in early August, it was a delight to see so many friends in the village. The Club room was open for almost two weeks and we had some jolly drinks parties and even barbeques on the terrace.

It would be fair to say that although the snow this season was excellent we were a little short of sunshine! My highlight was the week before Easter on the only sunny day after lunch at Eigergletscher and two of us skied down Black Rock on our own, magical.

I must firstly thank Andrew for his role as manager in helping make this such a successful season. For me it is a delight to work with him. We are pleased that he will be coming back in December this year. Secondly to thank a whole army of friends who work on our committees, arranging our social events and assisting with our skiing programme. The club is deeply appreciative

Finally our grateful thanks goes to our editor Freddie Whitelaw who gives up so much of his year to produce our widely read and informative journal, and also to Sarah Hoyle who works tirelessly in her role as Hon Secretary.

I look forward to seeing as many members as possible at our AGM and throughout the 2014 season.

Bequests to the DHO

The vast majority of adult members will have made wills that will be implemented when we pass on. Apart from benefitting loved ones, many of us will, of course, have made bequests to charitable causes with which in our lifetime we have been connected or involved with.

In the past the DHO has benefitted from legacies made to the club by former members. We were able to purchase the Breithorn Apartment thanks to a substantial sum that we received from the Ros Hepworth Trust.

We are still paying off the loans taken out to purchase our splendid Club Room. Again we are grateful to our beneficiaries for this, who together with the bank that will need to be re-paid sometime in the future.

We would also love to establish a Bursary scheme to assist promising young skiers who otherwise could not afford to continue racing and training at International competitions.

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Coggins Report 2013

By Bob and Rachel Eastwood

As we slip slowly into a damp British summer the snow is finally beginning to melt on the Lauberhorn. Yes we are still looking at the Wixi webcam, it is so addictive!

This reminds us of the autumn when we watched the progress of the building of the new Wixi 6-man chair and waited for the arrival of the snow. Coggins had also been watching and were very keen to try the new chair when they arrived. There was plenty of snow for them as well and at Christmas we enjoyed perfect pistes as well as the first of many foggy days which were a feature of the season. We skied in fog and sun, in deep powder and on perfect pistes, over bumps and jumps all whilst playing a variety of silly games devised by the training team. Variety is what makes good skiers and develops skills which are tested by the race course once a week.

The Christmas Championship was contested during an afternoon racing on Bumps. There were 17 entries and the race was won by Catherine Gay. Rising star Xander Younger was very excited to be first boy and I hear he was in Central Sport saying thank you to his ski technicians.

A Coggins disco with games and dancing was organised by Mia Coxon and Issy & Pascale Egger in the DHO Club. This was a great success and new tradition perhaps. The Kids did all the organising and cleaning up but I must to thank Andrew and Hayley for their help and encouragement.

More snow came with the New Year and a fresh team of Coggins with it.

The New-Year race was organised together with DHO Racing and Training on the Männlichen Race piste. It was great to see all the DHO kids racing together. 20 Coggins took part for the "Coggins New Year Cup", fastest was Alex Gibson, Pascal Egger was fastest girl.

BMW were nice enough to sponsor some toys around the mountain, many Coggins were able to download video of themselves on the Männlichen race course and pictures on the top of Wixi. The absolute favourite was the machine by the cable car door that gave a read out of the days skiing. Every day after skiing there was a rush to compare what different groups had done. Aim to ski Everest (8848m) in a day. Our biggest ski day was 21 lifts and 9799 vertical metres, that's Everest and a moderate Lakeland fell on top.

It was good this season to have two half term holidays and so two weeks of fun for us.

The oldest DHO race is the Polytechnic Cup and Coggins have their own Polytechnic cup run on the same course. It was great to be racing on the same course as the adults again and showing them the way down the top of Lauberhorn race piste. Starting from the Start hut like the world cup stars is always a thrill and a photo opportunity. The winner was Toby Francis, Olivia Moir in second place was first girl. It went so well that we repeated the event for the second week of half term Coggins. It was a really cold morning but racers were warmed by the racing and we had two runs with the fastest run to count. John Lewis won the race and Isabel Egger was the fastest girl. We had three groups of kids in week 2, "Blonde Rachel" did a great job bringing the little ones on and getting them up to racing speed.

Easter Coggins ran over two weeks with Low numbers but we had huge fun. The Coggins day record (9799m) was set on 4 April as snow cover was still excellent allowing us to ski the whole mountain.

The first week race, again on Lauberhorn, was won by Xander Younger closely

followed by new Coggin Jack Thurk, His sister Ashley Thurk was 1st Girl.

Week two BMW special race run on the video track on Männlichen. Toby Francis, Wal Fisher, Jemma Hall.

It has proved to be a great facility when we don't have the numbers to set up our own courses.

This report may read like a race report but Coggins racing takes only half a day in a week whilst the rest of the training involves endless fun and variation with jumps, drops, powder and tree-lined adventures all featuring along with sweetie stops and scrummy lunches.

Eagles

Eagles enjoyed two very good weeks during the season skiing with the ever popular Pickles and Jonas.

Eagles came to the Polytechnic Cup race in the first week of the Mid-term hols and raced for the famous "Snogg'ins Cup". This was won by Zak Hopkins who was ahead of his brother, Lol, by a narrow margin. Elisabeth Ihrig was first Eagle girl.

Many thanks are due to Andrew for setting some great courses up on the Lauberhorn, it was great to have Coggins a racing on World cup courses again. It was also nice to see some parents entering the adult races and daring to test themselves against the kids.

Next Season

We are already taking bookings for the coming season and by the time you read this the lists will be filling up. It is really important to book in in advance for Coggins and Eagles so that we can continue to provide the high level of coaching that Coggins and Eagles expect.

Email coggins@downhillonly.com as soon as you know your plans. You can also print a consent form from the DHO website and bring it with you to the DHO club to sign in when you arrive in Wengen.



Coggins has remained at the same price now for several seasons as costs have slowly risen making it difficult to plan and to break even. To make things work better we are going to change the way Coggins is paid for. We are changing to a weekly charge of CHF380 for 6 consecutive days. This will mean that those booking for the week will be paying less than last season and leaves scope for taking a day out without losing. It will still be possible to pay by the day but at a new daily rate of CHF80.

Thanks

Special thanks must go to Andrew and Hayley Davies who gave tremendous support and cooperation to all our activities in their first season with the DHO. Thanks also to Ercole Famiglietti of the Swiss Ski School and to Heinz Von Allmen and Marco Luggen of the Jungfrau Bahn for their continued help and support. I am grateful to the ski school for allowing me to choose from a great team of coaches for the Coggins and Eagles. I would like to thank the team, Rachel Eastwood, Rachael Pirie, Phil Pickles and Jonas for their continuing good humour and professionalism. Grateful thanks to the many parents who gave their time to help with races and of course to the people of Wengen who make it such a great place to ski.



Booking

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The first bookings have already been made for next half term and booking is now almost essential.

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During the winter call the DHO office between 17.00 and 18.00 GMT. 0041 33 8 55 13 75

So make sure of your place for the next season and we'll do the rest to give the Coggins and Eagles a fantastic holiday they'll remember forever. I always plead with members to spread the word about Coggins, it really is unique, so that we can continue to train enthusiastic, fast and safe young skiers.

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Bob

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Editor's note: Cleeves Palmer of the Kandahar is the man who is rightly given credit for inventing the Amateur Inter-Club Championships, now entering its 7th year. It has been an outstanding success. The DHO ran it in 2011 on the Lauberhorn which exposed many of our members to the event and converted most to the cause. Last season, Cleeves and the Kandahar introduced a junior version which was held in Mürren. What follows is Elizabeth Gay's report of this event.

In 2014, the DHO has the privilege of running the Junior AICC races in Wengen. It will be held on the Lauberhorn on Saturday 5th April and the Lauberhorn race piste is reserved for the occasion. The race is being master-minded by Geoffrey Gay and Bob Eastwood is heavily involved too. If you are in Wengen at that time come and support and help. It is a fairly early start, because the Snowpenair concert at Scheidegg starts that same day at 2.00pm and we want to be off that part of the mountain by then



Junior AICC Races

by Elizabeth Gay

On Saturday 30th March 2013, four families: The Eggers, Gays, O'Gallaghers and Youngers, following team leader Bob Eastwood, made the journey from Wengen over to Winteregg starting with the 8:03 train. We were all off to compete in the inaugural Junior AICC Races (Amateur Inter-Club Championships). They were being hosted by the Kandahar club from Mürren.

Cleeves Palmer had organised the event. There were three clubs up for grabbing medals: DHO with three teams led by Bob, Kandahar (Mürren) with five teams led by Cleeves Palmer and Marden's (Klosters) with five teams led by James Palmer-Tompkinson, there was also a mixed team named AICC. The teams consisted of three skiers and there were two categories: Children (2001-No minimum age) and Juniors (1996-2000). The DHO "White Hares" were Isabel Egger, Pascale Egger and Angus O'Gallagher. DHO "Eigers" consisted of Catherine Gay, Caroline Gay and Xander Younger. Both of these teams were in the Children category. Our Junior team was the DHO "Lauberhorns" made up of Wills Younger, Elizabeth Gay and Freddie Gay. Freddie Younger joined the AICC team.

The day started at 9.00 am with the collection of bibs at the Winteregg Restaurant. The DHO came out well in the draw; our teams would go down 1st, 4th and 7th. Next up on the programme was Course Inspection for the Giant Slalom. There was just enough time for us to go down twice, noting where to pole and tuck, and finding the best line to take. The courses were set by Mark Berry, who did a very good job and provided us with a fantastic course for our GS race, with many combination gates including bananas (delay gates).

The competition was under way with Isabel down first. Everybody was ready for the challenge that lay ahead, slowly moving nearer the start gate desperate for their turn, despite the miserable conditions of snow and fog in -2°C. We all carved our way successfully down the course twice, before heading into lunch at the Winteregg restaurant.

Following lunch, Bob led us down to the Maulerhubel chairlift for a warm-up run, before we went down Run Number 1 to the race course for a fun filled afternoon on the second course. This was to be a combination of GS and Ski Cross. Again Mark Berry set a wonderful course including a jump, set of berms and a hairpin turn, along with the



normal gates. This proved great fun and we all enjoyed riding the berms, doing U-turns and most of all making the jump! There was a small safety concern from a group of parents (not DHO though!!) about the jump, so a track was created around the side, though only one child chose to take the path and not do the jump. I think that says how enjoyable it was!



Catherine Gay, Caroline Gay and Xander Younger with their bronze medals

Once all of the racing was sadly over, we skied down to the Winteregg Restaurant for the last time to attend Prize Giving. Drinking our hot chocolate we waited in anticipation for the results. Had any of our teams ended up on the podium? Finally, after what seemed like ages, Cleeves came down the stairs, medals and results in his hands and announced the winners.

In the Children's Category, Marden's Menaces took Gold with 302 points and Kandahar Wintereggs took Silver with 250 points. Taking the Bronze Medal was the DHO Eigers team with 240 points! Catherine, Caroline and Xander proudly walked up and collected their medals. The DHO White Hares were fourth with 166 points.

In the Junior's Category, Kandahar Blumentals were first with 376 points, the Kandahar Sonnenbergs were second with 360 points and the Marden's Meercats were third with 346 points. The DHO Lauberhorns narrowly missed out on third by two points.

We really enjoyed the courses and meeting the other teams. Thanks to the parents for cheering us on and gatekeeping. Most of all, thank you to Bob for being our captain and taking us to Mürren. We look forward to next time when we can hopefully increase our medal count!



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British Schoolboys'

Championships - Meiringen-Hasliberg, Switzerland 2013

Richard & Maureen Berry

If you only enter skiers for one competition a season, and many schools can only take boys to one snow race, this is the competition to go for. How often do you have over 100 excited, enthusiastic teenage boys in one place?

Once again the slopes of Meiringen – Hasliberg played host to the British Schoolboys' Championships at the end of January. For four days, lethargy and grunting was swept aside as old friendships were re-kindled and amicable rivalry came to the fore. Those at the top of the game, who ski for clubs and the national British teams chase coveted BASS points and seek to boost their overall ratings. But for most, the races are all about doing the best for one's team and just getting down the course in one piece – still smiling.

This year 155 boys (with a sprinkling of sisters) aged 10 to 19 years competed from 31 British schools. Old timers like Reed's, Millfield, Aiglon, Glenalmond, KCS Wimbledon and Tonbridge were joined by newcomers from Cottesmore and The Merlin School. Sadly there was only a single representative from the state school sector. Skiing and ski racing in particular is an expensive sport but bursaries and financial aid are available through the Skiers Trust to

give financial assistance to talented young British skiers with potential.

Competitors arrived on Friday evening and throughout Saturday with the early birds having the opportunity to squeeze in some extra training. Many teams and their supporters stayed at the ideally located Hotel Viktoria with its great ski tuning spaces and understanding staff. This year the hotel was under new management but it received the thumbs up for accommodating the evening race meetings, special diets, Polar Exchange's pop up accessory stand and hosting the race prize-giving in the hotel conference room, saving everyone from trekking up the road to the municipal hall.

The championships kicked off with the ever-popular parallel slalom knock out competition. This light-hearted event nicely gets the skiers back into competition mode and provides lots of opportunities for good sport as well as a fun spectacle for onlookers.

Monday's race day dawned and spirits plummeted as everyone looked out on a complete white-out. Overnight around 70 centimetres of fresh powder had fallen on the giant slalom course and it continued to fall all morning. However much preparation goes into the race course, when the heavens open





Who's Who at the Races!

Richard Berry: Chief of British Schoolboys' Championships

Maureen Berry: Race Administrator & Commentator

Samuel Shnaps: Chief of Race

Neil Capel: Chief of Calculations (Results)

Ann Capel: Photographer/Announcer

Rachel Blake: Referee

Ingie Christophersen: Start Referee

Sarah Hoyle: Child Protection Officer

Adam Nichol: Chief Gatekeeper

Beverley Shnaps: Communications Organiser/Prizes

Glan Williams: Chief Parallel Slalom Organiser

Hugh Williams: Start Marshall

Richard Ellis: Technical Delegate:

Richard lives in Morgins, Switzerland and has been a TD for 16 years and his first assignment was with DHO in Wengen although this was the first time that he officiated at the Schoolboys event.

there isn't a lot one can do. The organisers wisely delayed the start by nearly four hours while an army of coaches, DHO officials and resort pisteurs battled to flatten the piste. Eventually, a challenging but skiable course was set. A shortened 44 gate, one run event was held. This worked against the less experienced racers who tend to come good on their second runs, but the alternative was to abandon the GS altogether. Several racers came a cropper with two boys from Millfield taking impressive falls and being taken off to hospital. Others caught edges in the fresh snow or skied out.

The weather was much improved for slalom day and the racing started just after 9.30am. A tightly set upper course was contrasted with wider gates lower down. This interesting arrangement caught out a number of racers with several missing gates, losing skis and taking tumbles. Despite reasonable visibility, there were several stops due to the number of fallers and the need for course repair. Nevertheless two runs were achieved, even though it started snowing again after lunch. The later racers used up considerable energy trying to keep warm while waiting for their delayed starts.

On both days the team of gatekeepers, under Adam Nichol, certainly had their work cut out for them recording how and why skiers had missed gates or abandoned the course. Within minutes of the final racers completing their runs, the impressive number crunching team under Neil Capel swept into action and in two hours, the times, combined times and positions for each racer had been calculated.

By six o'clock all the competitors, team captains, coaches and parents were gathered in the Viktoria's conference room. After speeches from the new DHO president, Michael Woodhall and Chief of Race, Samuel Shnaps, the silverware and medals were handed out to the top three Minis, Children's 1 under 14, Children's 2 under 16 and Junior categories in the slalom, giant slalom and combined events as well as team awards. A hiccough during prize-giving high-lighted the importance of parents and coaches being scrupulous in ensuring that competitors are correctly entered as being Registered or Non-registered racers.

Despite challenging conditions, the biggest applause for the championships must go to the organisers, race officials, volunteer gatekeepers and pisteurs, the team coaches and captains for keeping the event going safely – whatever the weather. It should also be remembered that the Schoolboys' Championship would not happen without generous sponsorship from DHO, SnoAsis, Polar Exchange, Sailthru and BASI and the organisers. Several of these organisations also provide hands-on help throughout the races, such support is unusual at most sporting events these days.

British Schoolboys Races 2013 - from the organiser's perspective

As one year's Schoolboys race finishes we start to think about the next! We were very happy with the new hotel management who only took over from Koos just before Christmas. There are so many things that can go wrong whilst organising an event for 250 people so it is all the more relaxing when the Hotel Viktoria houses most of the competitors and are so accommodating. We have been back to see the manager during our spring visit to the Alps and he has come up with several improvements which will make life easier for 2014. For one, the waxing room which is usually inside the hotel behind the reception area will be moved to the part of the building which was housing the Hasliberg fire service. Hope they have found somewhere else to park the fire engine!

We have not abandoned Wengen but the one thing that makes the Schoolboys race work is a hotel that can take the majority of the competitors, teachers, parents and organising committee. Most of the schools know each other and the masters and parents



enjoy getting together over a glass of wine to catch up. Besides which we could not be any closer to the gondola which takes us up to the race course.

Meiringen are very eager to encourage more British events to be held in their resort. Besides being famous for meringues, Arthur Conan Doyle spent many years visiting the area and even celebrated the rugged mountainous terrain by writing the demise of Sherlock Holmes at the Reichenbach Falls.

Our one problem, as so often happens, seems to be the lift company. There are three homologated courses on the Hasliberg ski area but only one really suitable for bad weather conditions. After many hours inspecting the courses and checking the weather forecast we were disappointed to be allocated the Hobiell race course which although fine when the weather is good is not really suitable in a white out, the course being above the wooded piste, the Gummen.

This was our main concern about returning for another year so we arranged a meeting with the lift company management. We had heard that the company was in difficulties and found out that a local consortium had bought the company and were considering a number of improvements. This turned out to be a great advantage as far as we were concerned because they were programming to replace the lift from Bidmi to Kaserstatt and building a new dedicated race course from the top of the lift to the bottom, so we were delighted to be promised the use of the course for the Schoolboys 2014.

Once again we are off to the Alps for our regular summer trip and we will be checking out the progress of the new lift and the race course in Hasliberg.

Richard and Maureen Berry



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Sophie Lismore

British Schoolgirls' Races

Anne Taylor and Sarah Robinson

The 2013 races were once more held in Flaine, France, at the end of January. More and more teams, which consist of three competitors plus reserves, arrive on the Friday enabling them to train on Saturday and Sunday. The snow conditions over the weekend were perfect, sunshine all day but very cold and excellent hard packed pistes. Unfortunately it snowed non-stop on Sunday night and Monday morning and although the racing piste was cleared early on Monday by the time the girls arrived it was still snowing and required constant attention. This resulted in the first run of the Giant Slalom being delayed and the parallel slalom being cancelled.

The DHO team comprised Sarah Adams, Sophie Lismore and Safia Dale. Also there, representing their schools, were Tara Bell (King's Taunton), Elizabeth Gay (Godolphin & Latymer), Poppy Hartley (Bryanston), Lucy Maynard (Wycombe Abbey), Sophie Stammers (Millfield) and Catherine Yung (Downe House).

The GS was run in difficult conditions but that did not seem to deter Thomasine Nilson-Wrede (Reeds) who came first. Katy Guest (Strathallan) was first in her age group but was beaten by an even younger

girl, Katya Williams of the Kandahar. Poppy was the best of the DHO girls, closely followed by Sophie Stammers. Sophie Lismore, Sarah and Lucy also did well and Elizabeth Gay had a good second run, having not finished the first. The DHO team finished in eighth place, out of 52 teams.

Tuesday's two slalom runs went without incident with Darcie Mead (Surbiton) the winner. Honor Clissold (Richmond) was third and first in her age group and the younger group was again won by Katya. Sophie Stammers was the best of the DHO girls, just outside the top ten overall. She was followed by Sarah, Lucy, Sophie Lismore and Elizabeth, all in the top thirty. This time the DHO team finished ninth.

The combined was won by Florence Bell (King Edward VI). Katy Guest, in second place, was the best of her age group while, not surprisingly, the youngest age group was won by Katya Williams. Sophie Lismore was on the podium three times in her age group, third in the GS, second in the slalom and third in the combined. Poppy was also on the podium as the best unregistered racer in the GS and third in the combined, while Lucy was second overall in her age group, not bad for a skier starting in the B team (with a very high start number) thanks to the peculiarities



Sarah Adams

of the Wycombe Abbey team. Well done to them and all the others who took part.

The races, which were sponsored by the DHO amongst others, were organised by the Ladies' Ski Club and the 2014 races will be held on 27 & 28 January.

For full results go to
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Lucy Maynard



Sophie Stammers



Poppy Hartley

I often dream of skiing on present-day equipment when racing for Britain 50 years ago... I would have beaten the lot, (assuming of course that the opposition did not have access to this equipment)

Racing & Training 2012/13

Ingie Christophersen

October, Christmas, February, Easter, Whitsun and Summer - the circus continues and the DHO is everywhere present and – if not omnipotent (yet) - vibrant and visible. New trainees, new outfits, new trainers. (But same old management!) And although we have been at it since 1952 no one single camp is like any other and change and innovation keeps us on our toes and able to tackle whatever presents itself.

It was a snow-rich season – although slightly late in starting. Snow fell continuously throughout the winter, old-fashioned abundant stuff and there is still plenty of it on the glaciers for summer training.

As opposed to the good old days, when regulations and controls and equipment rules were really non-existent (I often dream of skiing on present-day equipment when racing for Britain 50 years ago – I would have beaten the lot, assuming of course that the opposition did not have access to this equipment), today ski racing is hedged about with laws governing every aspect of the race – and consequently how we train – from the top of your head, helmets, to the tip of your ski, length, camber, standing height above snow. FIS is sometimes insensitive to parents' pocket-books when new equipment

regulations are decreed – but parents patiently fork out; they want the best for their trainees.

This year the largest rule change was the one dealing with age-groups; entry into international racing was delayed by a year and all the way down the line from children to minis – our trainees are now one year older, so to speak. This is an attempt to keep athletes in the sport longer – the largest dropout rate happens between national and international racing; what was 16 years old is now 17. So most of our trainees have been standing still, from an age group perspective, for a year.

Excellent – we have them for longer.

I spent my first Christmas with my cousins, and the first Christmas not in a ski resort, for at least 40 years. (Funny things those stockings, whose idea were they? In Norway we had large presents round the Christmas tree). We were in Wengen on Boxing day and then it was go, go; Les Houches for the Anglo Scottish, Schoolboys in Meiringen, The English Championships in Bormio and The British in Meribel, where for the first time we stayed in catered chalets and had the run of the place. If we had made the fire alarm go off (as we did the previous year in the Hotel Montana and all the guests came rushing out in their pyjamas), at least here there were no irate hotel guests to deal with!

Food was plentiful and available at the right time – such as 5 in the morning before races.

We arrived back at the end of the season at the beginning of April and a long period of laziness stretched ahead. Far from it. We had 15 trainees at the indoor slope in Landgraaf at Whitsun, man-made snow, 500 metres long, freezing cold, and showed the other clubs a clean pair of heels – the minis especially in the shape of Christopher and Adi Yung and Max Laugland and Junior Sam Todd-Saunders. Nick France would have beaten the speed record but for a lapse of concentration right at the last gate. Toby and Ella Tapson are showing us what determination and perseverance can do.

Sarah Adams has made the English Team, 8 trainees are off to Hintertux for summer training and two trainees are in New Zealand all summer, as are our head trainers Natalia and Benn.

We had 2 novice racers join us this year, Jake Gilkinson in Bormio and Charlie Luke at the British in Meribel. Neither had skied poles before. Jake is now off to New Zealand with an FIS licence; Charlie made the criteria for the British Championships and was quite simply awesomely good. Had they but known about us a few years ago Sochi would

not doubt have been playing host to a few DHO parents.

We are saying good-bye to the Mölltaler Glacier and returning to Hintertux. Mölltal was my favourite of all the glaciers, but it too is now better known, crowded and over-run by national teams. Hintertux is bigger, closer and we are returning to our old haunts.

A DHO parent, John Field, owns Choice Vehicle Rentals in Eastbourne. I book a van or minibus, go to the depot to pay for it – there is no charge. Even such minor hiccups as backing into Mrs McMahon’s car – all white in a whiteout - or ripping off a side mirror in France, does not faze him. There is never a bill, not even for an empty petrol tank. John is in effect our main sponsor, bar all our wonderful parents. On behalf of the club: Many, many thanks.

Figaro, Don Pasquale and Falstaff are dominating my life, but the slopes are rearing their head and plans for next season are already underway.

I am writing this during the only real summer weather we have had so far but when you read it we will be well into ski mode. What lucky people we are!

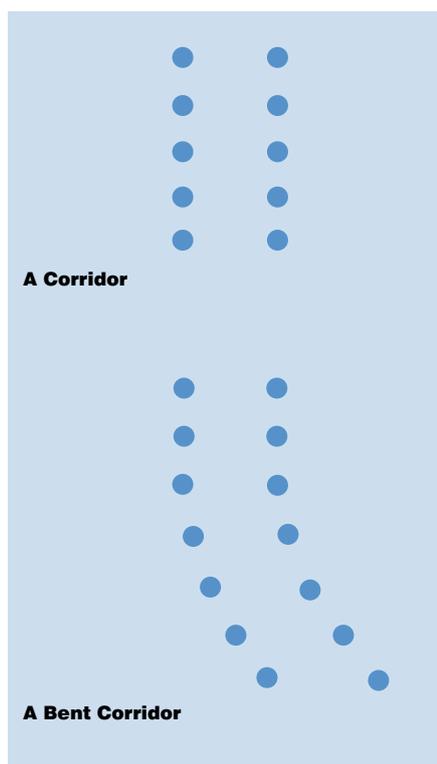
For the DHO Trainees

I am translating a book about Cross Country skiing – The Norwegian Cross Country Book (surprisingly!!). It is the definitive book about the history, techniques, training methods and personalities of Norwegian Cross Country skiers over the years and how it is that they have skied off with a vast quantity of trophies and trinkets at such jolly get-togethers as the Olympics. This has prompted me to go and have a look at some of my many Norwegian ski books, and here are some snippets from a book written by Einar Bergsland in 1946. There is a handwritten dedication to Arnold Lunn on the title page: To my friend Arnold with my best wishes for Anglo-Norwegian skiing. Kind regards, Einar 17.12.46. A Christmas present I imagine. How I came by this book

I do not know – but anyhow, as it is in Norwegian Arnold Lunn would not have had much use for it, except to look at the photos, of which there are many.

Here are some fragments about Alpine skiing. I love the description of how to turn. Technically we talk about valley-ski, mountain-ski; inside and outside hip; lower and upper ski. In a traverse the ski which for the moment is down the hill, is the valley-ski; the upper ski is the mountain-ski. When you want to turn, for instance to the left from a traverse towards the right then the left ski, which before the turn was the valley ski (the lower ski) becomes the inner ski in the subsequent turn. The right, upper ski, becomes the outer ski. Now you have completed the turn and are traversing towards the left, the outer ski, the right ski, becomes the valley ski and the inner ski, left ski, is now the mountain ski. Inside and outside hip, legs etc. refer to inner and outer ski. Phew!!!

Bergsland then goes on to talk about ski racing. The names of gate-combinations are more or less as they are today – open and closed gates, hair-pins and verticals. But there are two combinations I have not seen since the days when we went into the woods and cut down small branches to make slalom poles – the corridor and the bent corridor! (Sounds like a passageway at Westminster!!)



Now some advice to the downhill racer: The Daredevil, how fast is that section today? We are halfway up the downhill, and are eagerly inspecting the course. The organisers have worked hard, evened out the snow and stamped it well. But what about the speed? We calculate, discuss and make plans. Then we continue up the slope to the start, on foot or with skins. It is important to try and gauge the speed; the battle plan is to go hell for leather which is tempting when we know that the big guys have found a new route.

There is a special atmosphere on the way up, lots of jokes and tales of impossible speeds. The chaps swagger about, trying to appear cool before the forthcoming ordeal. The mood rises as we near the start, everyone with their own battle plan. The sharp left-hander near the birch-trees, don’t forget that. Or the right-hander round the cow-sheds. Don’t end up in amongst the cows. Keep your head clear.

There is time to wax skis and boots, tie the skins round your waist and put the bib on your chest. 5.4.3.2.1 go! The first chap is off – all eyes follow him as he disappears over the first pitch. Wow, the snow is fast today. It is my turn. I slide the skis over the snow; pull the woolly mittens over my hands and the hat over my ears. A last stupid joke to the guys waiting at the start. I keep a good height to the turns; the plan is working. But better put in a quick side-slip before the next bend. Oh dear, not so good, I have to make two turns instead of one. Where is the next fixed point – the white birch before the last fast pitch? Take it easy. I have calculated two side-slips before the narrow section.

My thighs are burning, but I fly down the last steep slope, show off a bit by tucking down and shoot over the finish line. It takes time to recover but then comes the euphoria over having finished. Discussions, curiosity about your and other’s times, jokes, and honouring the champion. That atmosphere will stay with you always.

And now to the slalom race. His advice to the athlete is charmingly like the one above. What stands out is when he talks about the second run: What about the second run? Is the course so worn that it would be advantageous to take some gates from the opposite direction? All this must be decided

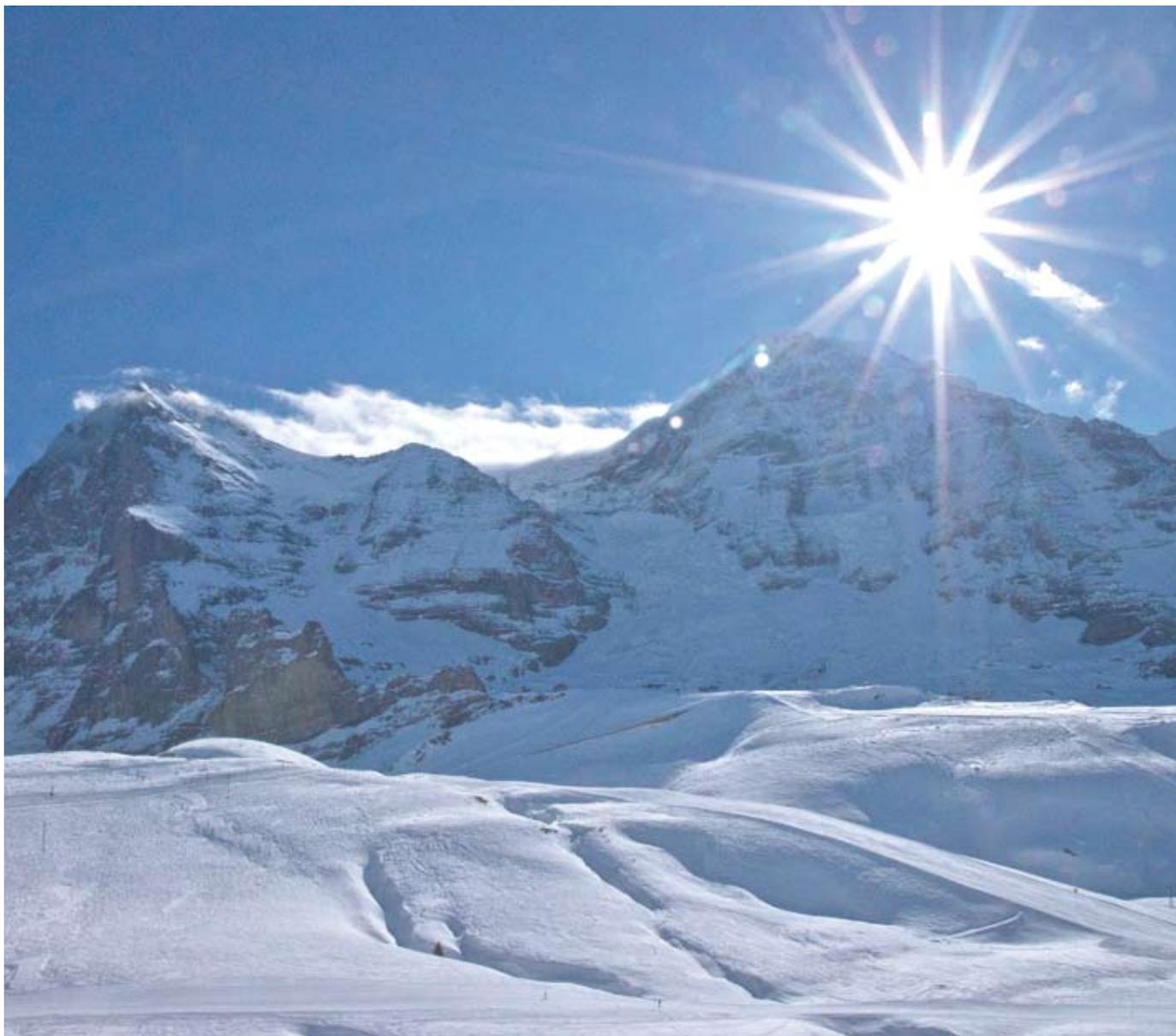
before you are once again standing at the start. (There is in the middle of this reminiscing advice to the slalom course setter – certain combinations should make the competitor hesitate as to which direction he wants to take the gate!)

Do I remember it! DHO trainees – please read and please take note. We walked up the courses. There were no downhill training runs; we sometimes braked during the downhill, and I often worried about hitting the cow-shed or other such outbuildings. Note the bit about the second slalom run – you considered taking the gates from the opposite direction because the piste had worn! And the course setter could set combination of gates that could be skied from either direction. Mind-boggling! And of course no rules for vertical drop, number of

gates, combinations etc. No lift to the start, no crash-helmets or cat-suits, no trainer whispering words of encouragement in your ear or rubbing your thighs, skins wrapped around your waist (skins were made of seal-skin and fastened under the ski to enable you to walk up the hill without sliding backwards. Skins are used today when high-mountain ski touring), and woollen mitts on your hands. No electronic time-keeping and if there was no line of sight between start and finish the time keeper might stand half-way up, where he could see both start and finish. Otherwise hand timing, and calculations were hardly accurate to a second!! A perpetual stop-watch, mind you! And the prizes an endless supply of silver tea-spoons – I still have enough for an army's tea-party.

Rummaging further in my ski books I dip into Modern Ski-ing, written by A H D'Egville in 1927. The photos, graphs and descriptions are even more outlandish and cumbersome. How on earth did they do it?

But then, how did Mallory and Irvine nearly or possibly conquer Everest in 1924 or Nansen cross Greenland in 1888? Are we just that wee bit more dependent on outside help – on our equipment? Are we a wee bit less tough and self-reliant than those old stalwarts? Could you and I ever spend a winter in the Arctic under an upturned boat? But then – will we ever be put to the test?



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The AICC Races

by Linda Fairbrother

The DHO at the Amateur Inter-Club Championship in Zermatt – no glory but loads of fun.

‘How are we going to transport our hire skis to Zermatt from Wengen and back again?’

This was the question that most bothered the author of this article and her husband, as we went over the various travel options between car, train, bus, or other people’s cars going in the wrong direction. After all, there was nothing else to worry about, was there? He in his seventies, me relatively youthful in my sixties, but with a cracked rib from a collision two days previously on Männlichen, and nothing but a GS and Super-G in wait for our modest racing skill at the Amateur Inter-Club Championship. So what could possibly go wrong?

Confidence was already high after 3 days of (optional) training. On the home slopes, the superb team of Vroni Famiglietti and Tony Wyss worked the DHO group through the basic techniques of racing turns – wide stance (Wider! Wider!), angulation (Make your bottom see the pole!), and energy (Push! Spring!). In retrospect, rather like childbirth. It seemed relatively easy on the first day without gates, but somehow became more difficult when brushes and poles got in the way. The good skiers slipped along like

bouncy eels; the less good struggled down in a maelstrom of planks and poles. But we all improved, and for some of the braver, after our final training session, talk even turned to cat suits....

The Wengen team were a motley crew, broken down by age and sex (well, some of us were), all charmed into competing in the AICC by our ever-enthusiastic Captain, Liz Moore. The honour of the DHO was at stake, against such clubs as the Kandahar from Mürren, the Eagles from Gstaad, the stylish (and youthful) Italians from Cortina, not to mention the Zermatt Yacht Club (surely we could beat them?). Competitors race in separate teams of four, grouped in 3 bands of seniority (young, middle, and definitely past-it). Everyone has to be ‘amateur’, but the definition of an amateur is not whether you are paid good money to ski; it’s anyone who hasn’t raced in the Olympics or World Cup for 15 years. Most of us found it easy to pass this test, as our only acquaintance with ski racing was on a sofa humming along to the Ski Sunday theme tune. But also in the DHO team we had some very nifty skiers – professional mountaineers; a former French slalom champion, and dark horses who had been successful DHO junior racers in their youth (not always very long ago).

So off to Zermatt, mostly with skis and poles, and even a few clutching what looked suspiciously like ski-sharpening equipment. Some of us felt that our skis would be going quite fast enough, thank you, though no one was caught actually sanding down the edges.

And so to the first race, and experienced mountain goat Martin Gertsch took us in hand for the course inspection. Half way down, some useful advice: ‘This is the place to invest’, he told us. Well, we were in Switzerland, after all.... But no, this advice had nothing to do with financial investment and everything to do with speed. ‘Invest’ on a steep slope by getting those flailing skis back in control, slowing down a touch so as to push off again like billy-o half way down for the flat section.

We all nodded wisely; it sounded very sensible – just impossible. Some of us had never raced before, and even those who had were brooding on the little joke created by the organizers – a jump in the SuperG, no less, which if not quite of Hundschopf fearsomeness was still a worry. But after a 20 minute crash course (no pun intended) in reading the gates, at least we knew where we would go wrong.

Snow conditions were good, but visibility was foul on the first day, with snow falling and the Matterhorn lurking in the clouds. But all the DHO stayed on their feet till the finish line, and spurred on by a fulsomely cheery commentary over the tannoy, hopes remained high for the second day. Visibility was better for the SuperG, but this was the race with the jump and though in actuality, it was all pretty tame once you got to it, there were nervous mumblings on the starting line. Alas, not everyone made it to the finish that day, but what the heck, it was all amazing fun, and some of the debutant(e)s declared that they now had the bug and, given that they weren't allowed to re-run that day's race, would be back next year in Klösters for another go.

And what of the results – did the DHO team come home, laden with booty? Not exactly. Perhaps no one who skis in Wengen will be totally surprised to hear that that our older groups did better. The Old Gentlemen's Team A came third in their group, as did the Old Ladies (though the latter only had two other teams against them, so not too many hoorahs there). And none of the other DHO teams even made the podium despite some superb individual efforts. But we had a great time: champagne flowed, as did the raclette; we heard each and every contestant congratulated by name in 5 different languages at prize-giving; and above all, we all came home knowing how to invest on a Zermatt ski slope.

See you all at Klösters AICC in 2014 – March 13-16th. All ages and competencies welcome and cat suits definitely not compulsory. Please contact Liz Moore on liblabmoore@gmail.com or 0041794213194 to reserve your place!



Prize winners from l-r: Richard Hackett, Jean Danielle Gluck, Robert Goodwin and Martin West

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Lizzie Davis takes the jump in the SuperG





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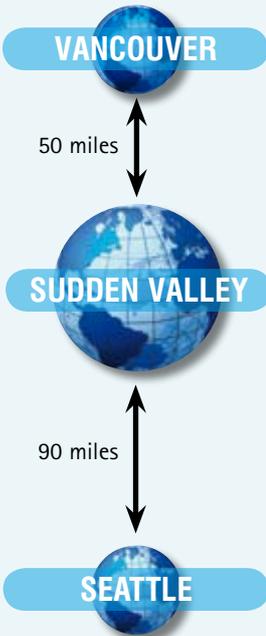
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Wengen Worthy

Number 2

The first Wengen Worthy that was published last year featured Fredy Fuchs. This year we thought to salute one of our own, yet again a person who slaves away in the background and without whom certain functions of the club would not easily be achieved.

‘This time our featured “Worthy” is Bob Eastwood. The DHO’s head of Coggins, Eagles and the Adult development courses (but previously known as Adult Coggins).

He’s been around, it seems, for decades, but that impression is merely an indication of how easily he was assimilated into the DHO Wengen scene. Whilst living in the southern Lake District, in 1985 he saw an advertisement for the dry ski slope in Kendal and he thought he’d go and see what this dry slope skiing was all about. He first put on skis the following year and he began training as an instructor in 1988.

His first winter season was in 1989/90 at Carrbridge Ski School, Cairngorm as a ski instructor, from where he took school trips to Austria and France. He qualified as an ESC Instructor in 1990.

He began to work winter seasons for Ski Miguel as a ski guide and resort manager in

Lauterbrunnen and later in Badgastein, Austria, whilst still continuing to train and teach at Kendal Ski Club when not in the Alps. His memories of Ski Miquel seem to strongly feature flights to the Alps with Dan Air, a common feature with many skiers of a similar or older vintage. Dan Air had a reputation for their rather ancient fleet of airliners, such as the De Havilland Comet IV and early Boeing 707s. Their safety record was actually quite good, but passenger well-being and confidence was a little fragile!

Paul Zvegintzov was the DHO Manager in those days (although the then job title was actually “Wengen Secretary”) and it was Paul who suggested to both Bob and the DHO hierarchy that Bob might make an ideal head of Coggins. Thus in 1995 Bob took over the running of the Coggins, with the aim of developing both speed and control for similar aged children, some destined to be recreational skiers, others were more likely headed towards the race trainees.

Bob’s personal training and qualifications continued to develop. He qualified in 1998 as ESC ASSI, and then gained a diploma in Sports Psychology in 1999. He was invited to join the Wengen Swiss Ski School in 2000 where he continued to coach the DHO children as well as regular ski school classes,



Bob as Ski Miquel Resort Manager

private lessons and the guiding of guests in the Jungfrau region.

He qualified and was appointed as level 4 Development Coach for Snowsport England in 2003. Two years later he devised the training programme for the DHO Eagles and 12 months later created the DHO adult development courses. In 2006 he was appointed as tutor by Snowsport England to deliver club instructor qualification.

He was asked to join BASI in 2008 which he entered at level two and that same year successfully completed the mountain safety (off piste) module. The following year he was appointed as tutor to the BASI level 1 qualification. In 2010 he became the only non-optician UK Sports coach to achieve the Certificate of Sports Vision Practice.

Finally in 2012. He achieved the BASI level 3 qualification and the ISIA Licence.

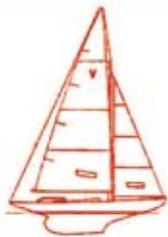
Bob has a long history of improving his knowledge, skills and qualifications.

Doubtless he will add more in the future.

He is an excellent example to us all about how with hard work and enthusiasm one can improve and we hope he will inspire us all to greater self-improvement at skiing.



Bob in Ski Miquel uniform



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Mürren to Gimmelwald by Wire

Nigel Ley

For those seeking thrills in Wengen outside the ski-ing season, the Jungfrau has much to offer, ranging from the sedate (a ride up to the Jungfrauoch) to the completely insane (base-jumping). The klettersteig (via ferrata) from Mürren to Gimmelwald lies somewhere in the middle of this scale.

A via ferrata (iron road) is a climbing route across terrain which could normally only be tackled by experienced climbers with ropes and crampons. To make such routes accessible to those, like me, without any climbing experience, various aids are fitted along the way: steel steps and footholds, ladders, bridges etc. The key to making the whole thing safe however is a steel cable which runs the entire length of the route. Each climber wears a harness to which a lanyard with two karabiners at the end is attached. At all times at least one of the karabiners is attached to the steel cable, so that any fall will be broken.

On most via ferratas the direction of travel is up. Opened in 2008, the Mürren route is a pleasant exception to the norm and consists of a steep descent of 300m over 2.2km from the centre of Mürren to the Gimmelwald cable car station. The walk takes about 3 to 4 hours. Full details can be found on the website: www.klettersteig-muerren.ch



Beatrice and Alfred

In terms of physical difficulty it is only slightly more strenuous than the Eiger Trail. The real challenge comes with coping with exposed sections with sheer drops of almost a kilometre down into the Lauterbrunnen valley. If you don't have a good head for heights this is not for you.

I made the trip with my daughter Beatrice (aged 16) and son Alfred (12) on a very hot day in August 2013. We hired the kit (harness, lanyard and karabiners, and helmet) from Central Sport in Wengen (CHF24 per person). We did not wear gloves, but rather wish we had, as we all ended up with blisters from holding onto the cable. The ideal gloves would be cycling or sailing gloves without

fingertips. The website recommends that inexperienced climbers hire a guide. We decided (on the basis of many Go-Ape excursions) that we would do without one.

We caught an early train from Wengen to Lauterbrunnen, then up to Grütschalp on the cable car, where we caught the train into Mürren. It is a 10-minute walk (taking the lower village path) to the Sports Chalet in the centre of Mürren. Entry to the via ferrata (which is free) is via a door in the retaining wall on the far side of the tennis courts.

The start of the walk is a pleasant downwards path through the trees. Soon however there is some climbing down metal rungs set into the cliff face. At this point the drop is steep but not sheer. We were surprised to be overtaken by two or three people who were not wearing harnesses or helmets. We soon found out what they were up to. A little further down the route a small wooden platform has been attached to the edge of the cliff. This is one of spots from which the base-jumpers like to leap off into the valley about 800 metres below. The jumpers glide in a wing suit for a few seconds before opening a parachute. Some locals want the practice banned as every year there are a number of deaths.



The Rungs

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Immediately after the wooden platform is the most exposed part of the route. The open face of the cliff – with a sheer drop beneath – is traversed on steel rungs. I have always thought that I was good with heights, but I found this section utterly terrifying - preferring not to look down. Alfred felt the same, but Beatrice (whom we have decided is slightly unhinged) was completely unfazed. Her only complaint was that the passengers

in the nearby cable car to whom she waved did not wave back. For those brave enough to look the views are amazing.

Shortly after this is the Tyrolienne: a huge zip-wire across a gorge in the cliffs. Special equipment (which we did not have) is needed to cross this, and a guide is required. Instead we followed the path inland and crossed the gap on a steel cable tightrope. This was not as difficult as it sounds as there were two further cables at hand height onto which we clipped our karabiners and held on.



The Tightrope



The Nepal Bridge

The end of the route contains its most spectacular crossing: the Nepalbrücke – a beautiful suspension bridge 80 metres long across a gorge with a 300 metre drop beneath. The walking platform is no more than 40cm

on it, has no sides, and at the start and the end the suspension cables are too high to be held. Thus the only way of steadying oneself (and believe me you will need steadying!) is to hold onto the single thin steel cable onto which the karabiners are clipped. I confess to being very relieved when we had all made it across.



Beatrice on the Nepal Bridge

It is then but a short walk to Gimmelwald station where we had some very welcome cold drinks at the Mountain Hostel. And so back to Wengen via the cable car down to Stechelberg and post-bus to Lauterbrunnen.

Would I recommend it? For myself, yes. It was the same sort of feeling you get after ski-ing a black run you never thought you could manage. There is tremendous satisfaction standing at the bottom, looking back up and contemplating how much better you will do it next time. Beatrice also would like to do it again – but not with her Dad who was too slow. Alfred has a different take – he is glad that he has done it as he will never have to do it again.

Any feelings of smugness quickly evaporated when Pierre Lanz told us the following day that he prefers to do it uphill from Gimmelwald to Mürren.





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The Jungfrauschanze

...that mourns in lowly exile here, Tim Ashburner

On January 1st 1947 my parents took me to the Jungfrauschanze. There was a large crowd and the train stopped at Bannwald Halt to release us all close to the end of the out-run above the embankment.

There were many competitors, mainly from Wengen and the Oberland and distances up to 50m and more were recorded. To this nine year old the thrills that day were to inspire a lifelong interest and involvement in the sport.

At this point the Jungfrauschanze, which had been contoured from a beautiful natural site after World War One, had been in use for about 25 years. In his book “100 Jahr Skiclub Wengen” published in 2004, Rolf Brunner records that in 1922 Samuel Brawand of Grindelwald jumped 43 m and that in the same year a succession of Wengen jumpers took the hill record up to 55.5m. This was huge by the standards of the time, and may even have been the longest seen in Europe. A world record of 48m had been set in Davos in 1909 and taken in stages at Oslo and Steamboat Springs, USA, to 61.5m.

In those early days, the Swiss Ski Championships (begun at Glarus in 1905) consisted only of strenuous *dauerlaufs* and ski jumping. The Downhill race was



(top image) The Jungfrauschanze (above) A jumper soars above Wengen

introduced to the Swiss Championships in 1931 (the British introduced it at their championships in 1921) and later the slalom stop. Already, ski jumping was having to compete with the attraction of Alpine Skiing, but until WW2 the greatest of Norway were persuaded to come to Wengen and it was Birger Ruud, Olympic 1932 and 1936, who set the hill record of 65m in 1937.

Ski lifts were appearing, and with their numbers diminishing, the ski jumpers found themselves devoting too much of their time to preparing their hills after every snowfall. And so they gave up. As a result the Jungfrauschanze fell into disuse by the early 1950s, but it was not the only one – right across Switzerland from the Jura to the Grisons and the Engadine, one can make out the profiles of abandoned jumping hills of the same era covered like corpses under sheets of white snow from top to bottom.

It is now 50 years since Wengen experienced its worst ever winter for snow in 1963/4, but it was then still possible to ski from Wengernalp above the railway line to the Jungfrauschanze where the thin covering of snow had made it fit and safe for use. It was the perfect opportunity for six like-minded friends in the DHO to see what we could do.

Time was lost to a search for a saw in the village so that a large tree that had fallen across the in-run could be cut away, but we got started and were soon joined by the local talent, the Australian Diana Jackson and Felicity (Bunny) Field who, later, made an even greater leap to fame with her 6th place in the Women's Downhill at the 1968 Olympics at Grenoble. Thanks to Karl Molitor once again lending me some of his

remaining jumping skis, I managed 41m. I do wonder if Birger Ruud might have had the benefit of a higher level of snow above the take-off?!

It was at about this time that plastic mat ski jumps were coming into use that could be used in both summer and winter. Following the lead taken by Neustadt in Baden Wurtemberg, two such jumps of K20 and K40 were built on the Gurten to the south of Bern in 1963. In 1979, the Swiss National Nordic Centre at Kandersteg was opened, complete with jumps of K30, K60 and K90. Another large centre at Einsiedeln has been the training base for Simon Ammann, the phenomenal multi-Olympic and world champion from Unterwasser in the Canton of St Gallen.

From the spectator's point of view, top level ski jumping today is very different to what it used to be. In March I returned to Oslo to watch once again the penultimate round of the annual World Cup at Holmenkollen. I had previously been there as "GBR Manager" looking after Eddie (The Eagle) Edwards in 1987 and again in 1993. Since then this most famous of all hills has been enlarged for the umpteenth time from K90 to K120 and was changed beyond all recognition.



Tim at the Kongsberg Ski Museum

The only vantage points high enough to provide an uninterrupted view of the jumper from start to finish are the Royal Box and the Judges' Box. For tens of thousands of spectators, however, the action is not only far away, but limited to what can be seen once the jumper suddenly appears from over the large upper profile of the landing slope in flights of up to 141 m. From the far end of the great bowl into which the landing slope descends and curls upwards, one can - if one's sight is good enough - make out the jumpers like tiny flies as they are called to the bar 300m away (and sometimes hidden

in light cloud!). Huge TV screens beside the bowl are now necessary to show all the action - unthinkable not so long ago.

A notable technical change is that ceramic tile in-run tracks have now replaced snow on all jumps used for major events. Snow, when no longer fresh, can stick when used many times over in the course of two rounds, Ceramic tiles give everyone equal conditions and heating elements that run underneath for their full length melt any ice that forms.



The bronze figure of Birger Ruud

Kongsberg

At the invitation of Erling Strandon, who as a 12 year old jumped with me at Wembley in 1961, I visited Norway in March 2013. My host Geir Hammer drove me to Kongsberg.

My publisher had included a picture of Erling at Wembley in my book "The History of Ski Jumping" and had also used it in the design for the title page and the back cover. Importantly, the book includes mention of the three gold and three silver medals accumulated by ski jumpers from Kongsberg in four Olympics from 1928 to 1948. All of which apparently merited a special reception at the Kongsberg Ski Museum where I was privileged to meet ex-champs of more recent times and also Birger Ruud's son, Vebjorn. Erling, too, was a winner, he was Norwegian National champion in 1969.

So fame at last! And a place for my book in their library, and a painting too, but not for inclusion among all the ancient black and white photographs and rows and rows of medals, trophies and ski equipment. With film shows also, the Kongsberg Ski Museum is a priceless repository and record of a glorious past.

(editor's note. The size of hills is classified by the calculated midpoint where an average competitor should land. So a K60 hill suggests a 60m jump is achievable. In competition, points are added or subtracted respectively if the jumper exceeds or fails to reach the K point).



The Holmenkollen Jump outside Oslo



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For the first time since 2006, the organisers were able to use the whole course

70th Inferno Proves Special

Brian Bollen

The 70th running of the annual Inferno Downhill race proved to be one of the most special in recent years. After several heavy dumps of snow in the two weeks leading up to the event, conditions were as near to perfect as they are ever likely to be on this side of the Pearly Gates.

For the first time since 2006, the organisers were able to use the whole course, from the top of the Schiltorn mountain to the traditional finishing arena 15 kilometres away in Lauterbrunnen.

“Weather conditions before the race produced one of the best race courses I’ve ever seen in my 14 years of taking part in the event,” says Jeremy Howard, the DHO Inferno team captain. “Only once before have I been able to ski the course from the top to the bottom.”

Records were broken as a result of the conditions, and adjustments made to the course to help the skiers, he observes, with more than 40 people breaking the old record. “The organisers removed the difficult corner on the first traverse,” he adds. “That used to slow people down”.

Keen followers of the race will already know that the winner, Kuno Michel, from Kerns, finishing in a time of 13.20.53, moving up one place from his runner-up spot in 2012. He was well ahead of D-Goettingen’s Markus Gauer, who took second place with a time of 13.32.06. Another Markus, Markus Moser from Erlenbach im Simmental, was in third place with 13.35.50.

Kuno Michel and Markus Moser were the first two senior racers to finish, suggesting that youth doesn’t quite always triumph over knowledge, maturity and experience.

The Sir Arnold Lunn Cup for team victory was taken by the Ski + Sportclub Alpthal, led home by Felix Tschuempferlin. In second place were the Silberhorn-Devils, with local Lauterbrunnen lad Oliver Zurbrugg (last year’s individual winner on the foreshortened Allmend-Hubel to Lauterbrunnen course) showing them the way home. Markus Moser was first to finish for the third-placed Niedersimmental team.

Kandahar, with a cast of thousands, including multiple Olympic gold medal winner Sir Steve Redgrave (20.03.02) finished in 19th spot. The Downhill Only club recorded a finishing place some 90 rungs further down the ladder, with

Alexander Gertsch at the top of the bunch in a time of 18.08.12.

Other members of the 24-strong DHO team were: Jean-Daniel Gluck, Guy Fisher, Theo Taylor, Martin Gertsch, Melissa Jolly, Sean McCarthy, Bruce Hains, Jeremy Howard, Bill Betty, Terry Turner, Tom Scanland, Colin Willmott, Marguerite Nice, Kevin Blackshaw, Andrew Davies, Martin West, Kevin Gould, Christopher Jennings, Nicholas Taylor, Amanda Jennings, Robin James, Peter Fairclough and Sarah Hirst-Malin.

“I’d like to thank everyone in the team for stepping up to the plate, and congratulate them on making it to the bottom of the hill more or less in one piece,” says Captain Jeremy. “The six stitches that Marguerite needed after an encounter with another racer represented our worst injury of the day.”

Peter Fairclough, who insisted after damaging his shoulder that his 12th Inferno Downhill would be his last, was out on the slopes good as new the next day.

Amanda Jennings and Sarah Hirst-Malin both took a tumble, which meant Sarah had the distinction of being the final skier to finish, escorted to the end by course



15 of the 24 strong DHO team

officials concerned about her wellbeing. At the traditional celebratory dinner in Da Sina's pizzeria that evening, she shrugged it off as nothing more than a little bruising.

Sarah gave the DHO Journal a brief but evocative summary of her wipe-out. "I had just made the long Winteregg climb and was really exhausted, then on the corner before the Winteregg bridge I hit a series of huge ruts. Being the last person down the slope, any soft snow had been wooshed off and the ruts were about 12 inches deep. I crashed off the course into deep powder some way below the run.

"Since I was the last skier down the mountain I was being followed by a pisteur. He climbed down to where I was lying and helped me up, then proceeded to help me mend my crash helmet which had fallen to bits. Since I was so exhausted I could not even climb back up to the piste, he pulled me up, told me to take as long as I liked, it was my race, and he would follow me all the way down.

"On the Winteregg corner all the DHO supporters were cheering as I came round the corner which gave me a great lift of spirit. They had seen my climb up the rise, but not appear for over five minutes.

"All along the middle of the course and through the woods were pisteurs and officials who cheered me on as I passed, they could see my name on the bib, it made it all feel like a huge group event rather than just a ski race. Consequences? Very large bruises and a dislocated shoulder! Would I do it again? yes, but I would take the corners more carefully."

"I hit a patch of ice on the lower section," Amanda recalled afterwards. "With bib number 1784 I knew it was going to be a bumpy ride and as soon as I was on the course the adrenalin hit. I felt comfortable in the top section and enjoyed the first long tuck. Things started to go downhill (no pun intended!) when I hit the ice and ruts on the Kanonenrohr; sadly my fitness let me down and when I caught an edge on the steeper section a touch of fear began to creep in.

By the time I reached the uphill section I found energy levels lacking and lost a lot of time here and then on the second uphill a few minutes later. I found my stride again around Winteregg, but annoyingly clipped a patch of ice on the bottom section approaching Lauterbrunnen. In rather dramatic style I hit the cliff face and bounced back on to my thigh and shoulder and rolled. A bit bruised - my ego as much as my thigh - I crossed the finish. A slow time but in one piece (just). I'll be back in 2014, much fitter and raring to shave off those minutes! At least...that's the plan!"

The last word on this year's race goes to the team captain, who worked hard to ensure the DHO was well represented in the 2013 event. "You need to treat the Inferno with respect," says Jeremy. "It will always take a first timer by surprise. Our overall placing this year was as much as could be expected. I'm really proud of the team and am already looking forward to the 2014 race when my aim is for the DHO to be in the top 100!"

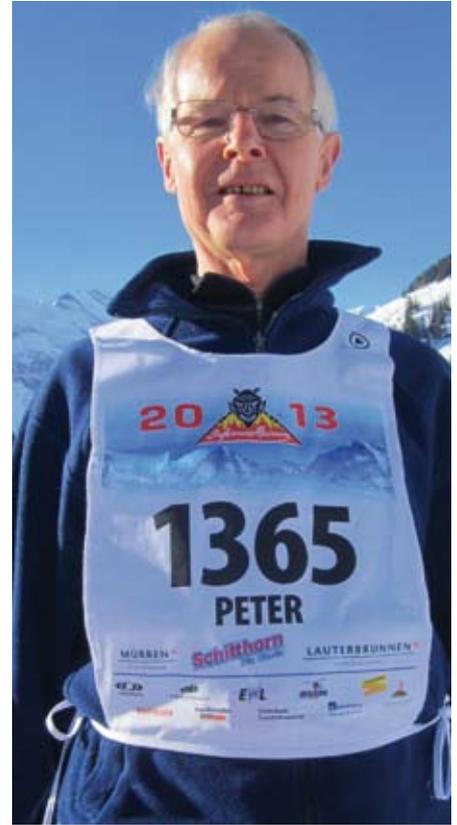
Inferno Stars



Sir Steve Redgrave - Kandahar



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10 reasons to go ski-touring

Harriet Hadfield

For many of us, Wengen is the ultimate comfort zone. We know every run, every corner and probably every bump along the way. And there's nothing wrong with that. But imagine exploring Wengen for the first time. With no lifts, no tracks, you've got the mountain to yourself. The only problem is... what comes down, must have gone up somehow. And that's where skins, touring bindings and bags of energy come into play. So what are my 10 reasons to go ski touring?

1 Pow, pow, pow

If skiing powder is your thing, this is the first and most obvious reason to skin up and head uphill in search of endless untracked lines. When in-resort off-piste gets skied out within hours of a snowfall, the backcountry, accessible only beyond the ski lifts can remain untouched for days, even weeks.

2 Backcountry wilderness

Backcountry: "Sparsely inhabited rural areas; wilderness." The definition speaks for itself. There is perhaps no better way to explore real wilderness than on a pair of skis. A vast network of backcountry huts across the Alps makes it possible to stay in the mountains for days on end. Touring is such a rare opportunity to get away from our busy,

digital, fast-moving world and truly achieve some time out.

3 New kit

If you are into technical equipment, now is a great time to take advantage of the huge amount of new kit that's available to ski tourers. The good news is that you don't need to go out and buy all the gear straight away. Most of it can be hired, and some of your existing equipment, modified for touring. The key things you will need are: avalanche safety kit; lightweight touring/freeride skis; skins; ski crampons; rear-lifting bindings and touring boots.

4 Comfy boots

A revelation in comfort, specialist boots are the one thing you might want to invest in as soon as possible. Most models are incredibly lightweight, with a proper 'walk' mode enabling full leg extension for uphill sections. What you gain in comfort though, you can lose in support - particularly laterally. Brands are innovating all the time though and a 'hybrid' crossover boot may offer a practical all-round solution.

5 Guided tour

Skiing with a guide can open up a whole new world. As well as knowing the mountain, it's secret lines and hidden powder stashes,

a guide will also take responsibility for your safety, will 'break trail' through deep snow on the uphill sections and even help with off-piste skiing technique. A few years ago, we hired a guide for three days, specifically to introduce us to touring - and now we probably wouldn't go backcountry without one.

6 Easy technique

The good news is it's not hard to master the technique, and the uphill climbs can be as steep as you make them, with zigzag-ing across the gradient making going up much easier than it looks. The trickiest part for me is handling my skins - one and half-metre long furry stickers cut to fit the underside of your ski. It's well worth the effort though, as the skin enables you to climb uphill without sliding backwards. The trick then is to get the ski gliding across the snow, to get maximum distance for your efforts.

7 Improve fitness

Unlike most ski holidays, after a touring trip you could go home fitter and possibly slimmer than when you arrived. There's no way around it though, you do need a certain level of fitness and physical strength to go touring, but get the right group together and the guide can set the pace accordingly.

8 Mountain aware

We decided to do a 3-day 'avalanche awareness' course before seriously getting into touring, but you can also use your guide as a huge learning resource to learn mountain safety. In Spring touring season, tours often start early and finish by lunchtime before the slush, so afternoons can be used to train/brush up on search and rescue skills.

9 Grab a lift

Have you ever seen an early morning train from the valley pass through Wengen on a clear spring morning? The first train in the morning connecting to the top of the Jungfrauoch is surprisingly full - of ski tourers. In fact, most tours start off high via cable car, gondola or train and then involve a mixture of uphill and downhill sections. And of course, ski touring doesn't have to be about big long excursions. The same techniques and equipment can be used to access harder to reach off-piste runs or 'sidecountry' in a resort.

10 Club together

There's a growing group of enthusiastic tourers within the DHO as this Journal has testified over the years. So my final reason

for ski touring is the social side - there's no better way to hang out with your friends than in the mountains. So, get kitted out, skin up and give touring a try.



(right) Harriet and Matt Hadfield with Nick Zvegintzov near the start of White Hare

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From a DHO skier in both his least favourite and favourite places writing to various friends and family

Editor's Note: There is a list of acronyms and their translations at the end of this article

Jottings from a Hussar ...in Sand and Snow, Joe Williamson

During a long hot summer in Afghanistan last year I spent a not inconsiderable amount of time wishing I was in the snow. I was able to console my daydreaming on the Queen's Shilling planning our Regimental race season for the coming winter. I deployed with my regiment, The King's Royal Hussars, in mid March 2012, and was trained and expecting to be both a dismounted Troop Leader and my Squadron's Planning Officer; but as so many things military expecting the unexpected was essential. Upon my return a swift turn around took me to the snow for some hard earned ski time.

In those 7 months in the sand I often thought of compiling my operational tour journal into something more coherent. Unfortunately it seemed impossible, but I hoped some communications home might be interesting. They are from a DHO skier in both his least favourite and favourite places writing to various friends and family - acronyms explained as footnote!

PB Nahidullah - Babaji - Lashkar Gah AO - 12th April 2012

Hot and dusty - it's like that all the time. That may sound stupid but it's fairly true, and currently has me involved in about 3-4 ship showers a day! Currently it's get

up (about 0530/06) and go for a quick run - shower. Attend/lead morning brief in the Ops room, finalise the patrol matrix and any deliberate Ops. The last few days we have been going on patrol, if required, at about 08/09ish, just as it's warming up. Been out for 3-4 hrs recently before RTB and getting out of patrol kit. A decent self-massage of the shoulders, generally feel light and bouncy whilst also feeling unbelievably tired and lethargic! - shower. Hopefully back in time for lunch. We're really lucky with the field kitchen here, have 'fresh' rather than ration packs 5-6 days a week. Normally then do some admin (washing, weapon cleaning, vehicle maint. etc.) and then afternoon gym session in the heat. Today it's going to be the '300 workout' - I need to do it in 17 minutes before I leave! - Shower.



Have been getting back into the Ops Room to work for about 1700. Plan; my main job is Planning Officer for the Sqn and atts. We have about 170ish personnel currently but we haven't finished the RiP with the outgoing company so it's a busy time. Safer not to say what I do on here, but I also have lots of other varied stuff to do besides Troop Leading on patrols etc. etc. Have been making it to bed for about 23/00-ish (after a quick shower!) the last few days which is good... can't see the steady pace lasting though, and everyday will be different. The GLE will be starting soon, a shame as the poppies in flower look fantastic. This will probably kick-start the Spring Offensive. We're in a very 'green' area a few kilometres from the Helmand River so poppy here is a huge problem, and I can't see the insurgents not reacting in some way.

It sounds like when B Sqn are in complete I'll take over the Mastiff Tp. We don't want to start patrolling the full area if it's not vital, as the AUP seem reasonably in control. That move would be much longer hours, but nearly always in a vehicle so safer; and my boys and I'll see a lot more of Helmand!

(left) Admiring and posing at sunset



**PB Nahidullah – Babaji – Lashkar Gah
AO - 29th April 2012**

The internet is phenomenally slow and frustrating. It's hot and dusty.

We're busy but things are going well. I'm now occupied with my new Mastiff Troop; I've essentially had to streamline to a mini troop, so my other lads were not impressed at having to be swallowed up in the other Multiples. However Gilly has taken most of them so I'm happy enough losing my boys. We've been operating with 6 personnel. Each Mastiff requires 3 as a minimum, so it's demanding to run the 2 vehicle crews for about 12 hours a day on the ground... and then still do all the vehicle maintenance, weapon admin, sqn planning etc. We are still fulfilling our Stags (that's sentry in the sangers for the boys and Ops Room for me), which is always at least an hour every night for everyone, sometimes more. However we're still making it work, but it's not sustainable.

I finally received some packages the other day – thank you so much for the biscuits – and had Weetabix with my rations - awesome extras! Starting to really warm up, and the petrol-powered dawn bug dusting gets earlier everyday...

MOB Lashkar Gah - 6th May 2012

Been so busy and had quite a bit of Op Minimise as I guess you may have guessed. Still hot and dusty here! But remember Mastiffs are safe so I'm fine.

We're down in Lash for the fortnightly Command Conference, so whilst morale is high I thought I'd say hello. PB Spina Kota is about to be handed over to the AUP so we've been down here a bit actually sorting their admin. A-B has the place squared so it's going well. Will be easier in NHD when they're back... however I might be moving. It seems Mastiff and Jackal experience might be needed elsewhere!

That's one of the things the Colonel wants to sort today I hope. We're sitting here drinking slushies in the AC and enjoying

some decent food. Lash is in cloud cuckoo land compared with Nahidullah or Attal on so many levels – including full length proper shirts and berets – it's 43°. Great.

**PB Lashkar Gah Durai - 20th July 2012 -
now attached to B Coy, 3 Rifles**

Life here is fairly disgusting. It's very hot and very, very, very dusty. Durai is completely out in the middle of the dashte with almost no protection, it's Durai Junction at the end of Highway 601. The wind is like a jet exhaust but hotter and the micro fine dust gets everywhere at an alarming rate. It topped out at 67° in our tent at 2pm the other day, and unrelenting with mid 30° overnight - sweaty is not quite the word! It's much better when we're out on the ground and can try and push into the greener parts.



**(top image) Desert Leagueure
(right) The digger and the ditch**

Life is quite busy but more varied than NHD. I've got a new mishmash Troop and we're on 3 Jackals mainly acting as FSG for B Coy 3 Rifles. They've formed a new BG Deliberate Ops Coy. It's pretty exciting at times for sure – a bit more kinetic over here than in Babaji. We're mainly in or around Yackchal, an area you may have heard of. It's just down the road and now the BG's main cause of insurgent concern. Keeps the boys entertained though, and I'm very happy to loosely think I'm an FSG Commander – didn't expect that in March.

I'm training up a new Jackal driver too – who is controversially a female LCpl in the TA. She came out as part of a FET; but there are no females she can engage with as we have no female interpreters! Sometimes the Army is fantastic. Anyway, as soon I found out she grew up on a farm driving tractors I got a course sorted in Bastion and hopefully she'll be back in a few days as an addition to our crew.

My R and R dates have changed again – now not till end of August. I'm trying to work out if I will be heading back on R and R when others are 'end of tour-ing'. That would be depressing, especially as I will probably be flying back into theatre on my birthday!

PB Lashkar Gah Durai - 12th August 2012

Life here is plodding along and I'm counting down the days till I can get out of desert. I'm definitely done with it for a while – we came off an Op yesterday (out on the ground for 5 days on our Jackals) to sort out the Rifles' wagons (massive nightmare with the Infantry who don't understand vehicles) to go to the gym (which is pathetically bad in Durai) and then have some water dribbled on me in a shower tent (which I'd obviously been just somewhat looking forward to) to find out the tent was closed to fix a pipe... so had to shower in the sand from a few bottles being held up by a my Sgt, then vice versa – no change in camp then. Sorry, I'm snapping, but that's rant over.

Hopefully see you soon – cannot wait for air that isn't dusty and grass!

PB Lashkar Gah Durai - 24th September 2012

This is back to earth with a bump. We are ensconced in the biggest BG Operation for



Sunset at Lash Durai

HERRICK 16. It is a huge scale thing with all the major assets and personnel from the whole AO and Bastion. Helpful then when it gets attacked and we're all stranded out in the desert with no air cover. However we've had some very eventful times in our 14 days out on the ground ourselves.

Best story so far – an Engineer attached to our Callsign to widen a track with a 'Light Wheelbase Tractor,' aka a digger, rolls it completely and irrevocably into a ditch. The bar armour was bent so we had to jimmy and winch the door open. Young Sapper squeezes out, and relieved as I walk the winch hook back to the Jackal beyond, see some thin white wire. This, upon careful investigation, is a 20kilo tub of home-made explosive. Twitter comment would be #havingagreatday. However the controlled detonation was trouser quiveringly superb. We've some more days of fun I'm sure, but I'll be heading back to work with and see my old boys from C Sqn for nearly a week before end of tour. Happy days.

Camp Bastion - 14th October 2012

Last night in Afghan for me. 4 day homeward trip via Dubai and Cyprus. Not complaining.

Verbier - Switzerland - Royal Armored Corps and Army Air Corps Ski Championships - 7th December 2012

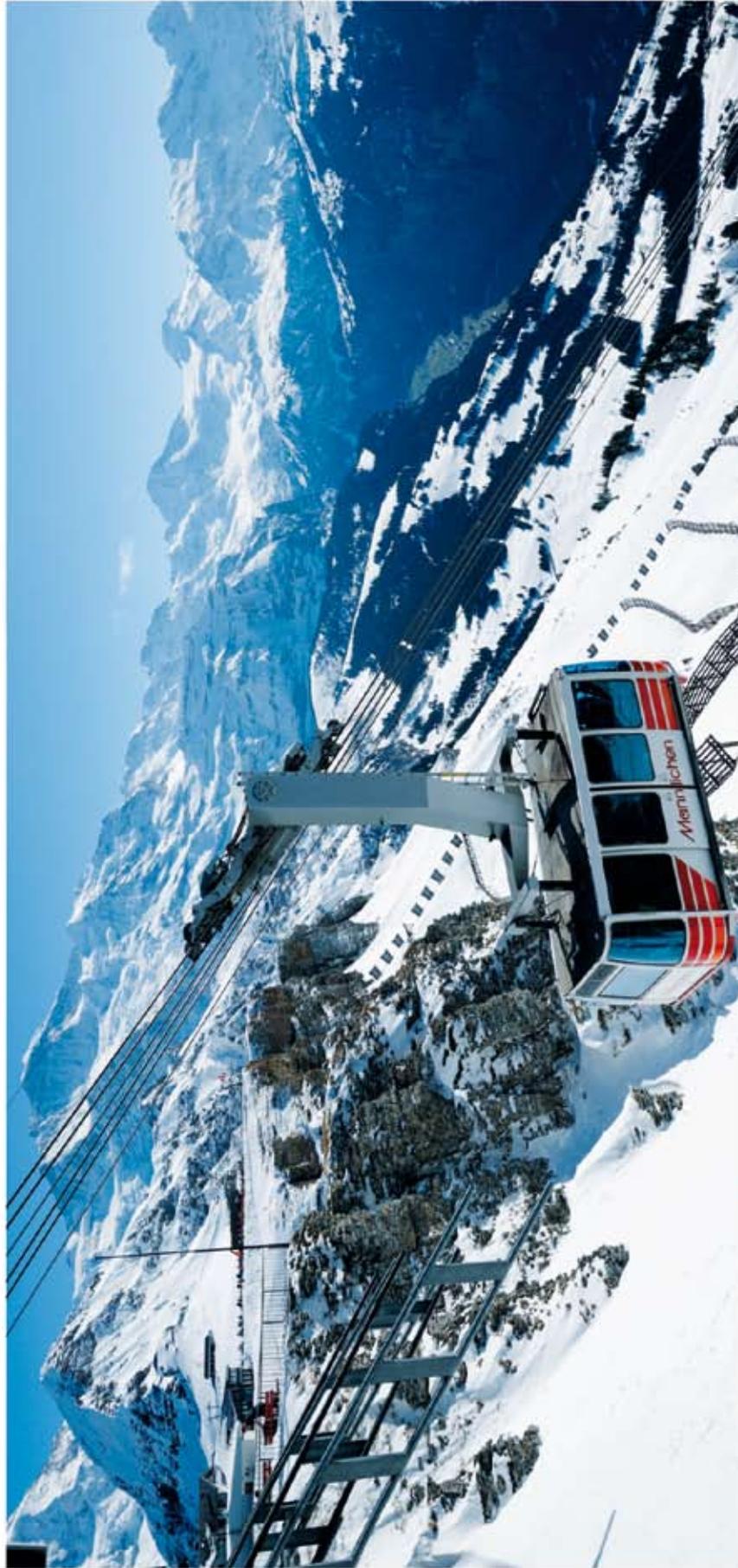
We're here, and the snow is amazing. More importantly we're here. George and I have been thinking about this endlessly, consequently are more excited than the Troopers. The snow is so good we skied to Le Chable today. It was superb. Our chalet is great, the snow keeps coming, my new skis are fantastic, the pick-up truck monsters the snow, the beer is cold, the food is cheesy, the girls are pretty. Did I mention we're here? Oh and it looks like I'll be able to make it to Bob and Rachel's tomorrow, which is even better.



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SITREP from KRH Alpine Team during Race Week - 7th January 2013

We have had some great racing this week - think I am finally persuading the boys this is why we come! We opened with Individual Slalom in which the team did valiantly but not quite in the prizes. The Team Slalom the following day proved, annoyingly, more frustrating. With six cumulative runs to count on a course upwards of 48 seconds long, we missed 3rd by 0.32 to the Army Air Corps.

The Individual GS on Friday proved more successful - promising too for the team event the next day. One of the Troopers had 2 fantastic runs to get his first top 15. The remaining lads skied superbly all pulling themselves up the rankings, and I finally got a win for the KRH.

High hopes for the team event on Saturday were justified with the B Team winning exceptionally by over 16 seconds. The A team missed out by under a second to the Officers from Bovington which was thoroughly frustrating. Today, we've had a great day of downhill training with the boys all doing very well and skiing above their seedings. They are now all learning and re-learning the course from my GoPro.

Tomorrow we're hosting General Shirreff (Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Europe) and Lady Sarah Jane to dinner in our chalet. Fortunately the KRH Team as an entity have sweet talked a fantastic chef-ess to come and knock up their dinner, as we have established we are all useless cooks!

We're starting to look forward to moving onto the Divisional Championships at Serre Chevallier on Saturday with racing starting on Monday. Then - who knows - the Inter-Services Championships in Meribel the next week?

Serre Chevallier - France - 13th January 2013

We've been super busy - we had prize giving on Thursday night, after the Presidents Race day, which was very successful for us - a great end to Verbier 12/13. The General and S-J had a great evening too and we didn't give them food poisoning.

In our almost embarrassing haul our B Team won the B Team GS prize, and the A Team won the Downhill, the Super G, Best Royal Armoured Corps Team and Best Overall. Trooper Whitehead won Best Junior, I won GS, Super-G, Downhill and Best RAC Skier. Consequently we are very happy boys.

Getting all our kit in to move was interesting, a real jigsaw. 9 new pairs of skis, 10 pairs of poles, jackets, kit and rucksacks galore as prizes, besides all the trophies themselves, which are many and sizeable! We went skiing all day yesterday for bluebird powder and arrived here this afternoon after a mopping ourselves out of the door style clean up!

Seeding GS tomorrow in which I've been allocated a top 15 bib...

Serre Chevallier - France - 14th January evening

Mondays in France are s**it... I've torn my left ACL in an innocuous slide out on the GS course earlier. I stupidly climbed back up, kind of hopping on one ski, and completed on my right just to register a time... but there was no way I was going up for the 2nd run. Not much else to say.

Unfortunately this essentially ended my ski season 2012/13. I made a brief cameo on a wobbly leg in the McMillan, but I've now had reconstructive surgery. With some great help and advice, especially from Don McCutcheon, and through working hard in the gym I'm making a good recovery. Always with an eye on next winter and some with some Tank training in Canada beforehand, I just hope my knee's ready for some more snow time.



KRH Alpine Team

Acronyms

Op HERRICK – The name used by British Government for the Operation in Afghanistan
 PB - Patrol Base.
 Nahidullah - The home of C Sqn, KRH
 AO - Area of Operations
 Ops - Operations
 Sqn – Squadron. Cavalry term for a sub-unit, between 70-120 people, commanded by a Major
 Atts - Attachments. Attached personnel to a unit.
 AUP - Afghan Uniformed Police
 GLE - Government Led Eradication
 Mastiff - 6 wheeled, heavily armoured troop carrying vehicle
 Multiple - Op HERRICK
 Gilly - John Gillespie. My tent buddy in Nahidullah and fellow C Sqn, KRH Troop Leader
 Stag - Staggered rota for duties
 CP - Check Point
 Spina Kota - A small 30 man PB in between Nahidullah and Lashkar Gah
 A-B - Ed Astley-Birtwhistle, another fellow C Sqn, KRH Troop Leader
 Op Minimise - when the phone and internet are closed down following any type of incident.
 Attal - Home of B Sqn, KRH. A PB with some particularly kinetic areas nearby
 Dashte - Afghan Desert
 Jackals - 4 wheeled, open topped, lightly armoured off road vehicles, with a crew of 3.
 NHD - Nahidullah
 FSG - Fire Support Group. A team with heavy weapons designed to assist a sub-unit.
 BG - Battle Group. A Regiment with attachments from different arms and groups to deploy as an entity.
 Coy - Company. Infantry term for a sub-unit, between 70-120 people, commanded by a Major
 LCpl - Lance Corporal. Most junior of the non-commissioned officer ranks.
 FET - Female Engagement Team
 Callsign - The prefix used on all transmissions on the radio network to identify a person or group
 Sapper - Engineer of Private rank
 George - George Stephens, another fellow C Sqn, KRH Troop Leader
 Le Chable - The village down from Verbier, similar to Lauterbrunnen from Wengen
 SITREP - Situation Report



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Snoworks Kashmir Ski Adventure

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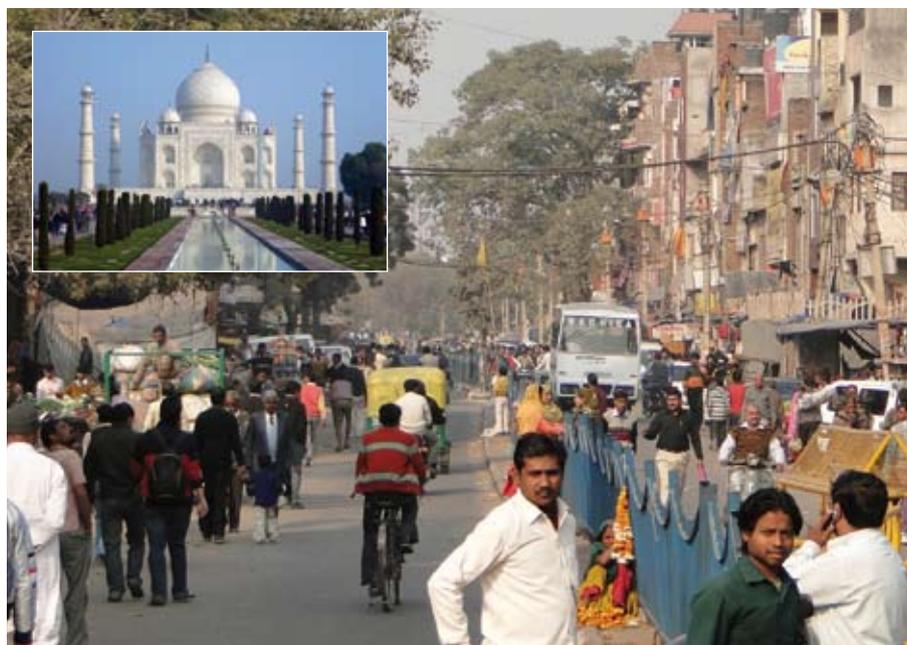
DAY 1 TO 3 DELHI & THE TAJ MAHAL

It’s our first time to India on this first ever Snoworks Adventure to Kashmir. And though we’re still far from the mountains, awe has taken grip already in the form of wide eyes, gaping jaws and mass silent reverence. They say one visit to India ‘changes your life forever’. Now I know why. Nothing prepares you for your arrival in Delhi. Never in my life have I seen so many people, cars, buses, trucks and

rickshaws on the move, each vehicle overloaded with fathers and mothers, children, dogs, goats and possessions. My jaw dropped lower when I spotted a family of 5 hanging, oddly comfortably, onto one 125cc scooter. This was organised chaos, Indian style. Wonderful.

We’re heading south towards Agra, home of the magical Taj Mahal. First we’re doing the tourist trail before we start the journey

back north west and into the Himalayas. We finally arrive to the tranquility and luxury of our hotel in Agra; but at first it just didn’t seemed right having been witness to the environment beyond these doors. Rich and poor existing side by side in stark contrast is an uncomfortable feeling here. Part of me wanted to be out there amongst the chaos, where the real culture was and not in a western hotel sanitised from reality.



(above) Delhi and (inset) The Taj Mahal



Our transport

The tranquility of the hotel bedroom is interrupted upon opening the windows to hear the reassuring hustle and bustle, a reminder that life in India never stops.

We head off to what is the most recognisable and beautiful building in the world, the Taj Mahal. Like being in search of powder snow, expectations are high, and I was prepared to be underwhelmed. Echoes of friends' voices reminded me how incredible their own experiences had been seeing the Taj, so there was a great deal to live up to and despite all the hype, the Taj Mahal left us speechless. This was something else. Whilst I try to come to terms with the contrasts of India I can only stand in amazement at the beauty of this immense structure.

DAY 4 GULMARG, KASHMIR

Our flight from Delhi is just 50 minutes long and we soon get our first glimpse of the Himalayas. The journey from Srinagar to Gulmarg is another journey not to be missed with so much diversity. Very grand colourful buildings along the roadside which wouldn't be out of place in the richest European cities, followed by busy hustling villages full of local life.

We arrive at the hotel in Gulmarg and are shown into the dining room for Kashmiri tea (a clear drink very similar to jasmine tea with almonds). We're introduced to the staff and the owner of the hotel – Aquil. It was his great great grandfather who built the hotel, which was at the time the first hotel in



Our hotel



Gulmarg. Each bedroom has a sitting room with a traditional bhukhari (a wood burning stove) which belts out fierce heat.

DAY 5 to 10 – SKIING GULMARG

One lift, no pistes, endless powder. This is why we here. The one lift in Gulmarg is a two stage telecabine. Stage one is a gentle climb with the slopes tree-lined. Stage two goes steep and takes you to an altitude of 3,950metres. In Gulmarg you buy the ski passes each time you ride. 250Rupees per ride. That's the equivalent of £3. How many runs a day? We average three. Three runs in most ski resorts would be about an hour's skiing but here in Gulmarg it's a day!

The skiing here is huge. There's one patrolled area from the top. No pistes, no markings just a huge off-piste bowl. Head outside the patrolled area and you're on your own. Bowl after bowl after bowl of off-piste. These first two days we ski close to home. Getting the group acclimatized and getting the ski legs. First run, powder, second run powder, third run powder. This is not the place to come if you're into piste skiing and fancy restaurants. But if you want skiing taken back to it's bare routes then come. Piste machines? Not a single one!

Skiers with fat skis, ABS backpacks and helmets heading for the powder mix on the streets of Kashmir with armed army personnel. Tensions remain relatively high in the area as Kashmir borders the three countries of China, Pakistan and India. We are in Indian-patrolled Kashmir so Indian

army presence is high. Everyone's very friendly and keen to make all the visitors as welcome as possible. Tourism is the only source of income here in Gulmarg so it's vital that all visitors are treated extra special.

Each morning we're woken with the sound of our Bukhari being lit to warm the room followed by morning tea. Today we ride the two stage gondola to the top and split into two groups. Dave Cumming, the Snoworks mountain guide, quickly shoots off the top station and into a bowl that he had enjoyed first tracks in yesterday. I quickly follow with my group and enjoy some of the lightest powder we've had this year.

For our second run we decide to skin to the top of Mount Apharwat. A couple of hundred metres vertical above the top station. From here there are numerous bowls that open up. 1 hour and we were at the top. A hard climb but as always those that are willing to work for the powder will be rewarded the most.

Year by year Gulmarg has been attracting the international scene. We meet skiers from Russia, USA, Australia and Britain. Everyone is incredibly friendly as we all have one thing in common, the search for powder.

DAY 8

Dave takes his group up to the top of Mount Apharwat and across towards another peak called Sharks Fin. From there the group skis west through a long field of unskied snow. Another skin followed onto the west face

of Mount Agharwat with a brief lunch stop and a magnificent view across to the line of control between India-controlled Kashmir and Pakistan-controlled Kashmir. They're close enough to see the barbed wire fences stretching across the snow-capped mountains between army posts. The group head back over the North shoulder of Agharwat down an unnamed gully to the north of Snow Leopard Face. Endless off-piste routes back down to Gulmarg exist all with unique names such as Hapat Khued and Shaggy's Face. It's another reminder that the development of this resort is a partnership between Kashmir, eager to develop tourism, and western aid in the form of ski patrol and avalanche expertise.

The ski patrol is headed by an American who is working hard training up local skiers from Gulmarg. Eventually the plan is that the local ski patrol will be well trained and able to operate their own piste patrol. However this still seems a long way off. It takes years to establish a well run operation with the expertise required in an environment such as here in Gulmarg.

DAY 10

We're woken around 6.30am to the sound of the 'call to prayer' echoing across the village. Cloud overhead so we decide it's a good day to take an off-piste route to Drung. All week the local guides that gather at the bottom of the telecabine have been working hard to sell their services. Today I had promised a local guide called Radik that we would use his services to guide us to the village of Drung. Snowworks' philosophy is to use local services wherever and whenever we can to plough back some income into the local community. So this was the perfect day for Radik to show us the route to Drung.

The route starts from the top and follows the skyline across to the south past a small army base. From here there are numerous routes that you can take into the valley towards Drung. It's a fantastic ski, probably getting on for 15 km downhill off-piste. After a short walk out at the bottom with the skis strapped to our backpacks followed by a further ski and we arrive in Drung with taxis waiting. The taxis took us along a dirt road through the countryside to a restaurant in Talmarg. Another great opportunity to get further



(top image) The ticket kiosk
(above) The Gulmarg Lift

insight into local communities.

Our last evening in Gulmarg. We arrange to meet all the staff after dinner for a special farewell. One thing you can be guaranteed in Gulmarg is that every member of staff will work exceptionally hard to make sure your stay is a memorable one. Farewell speeches thanking all the staff are followed by a speech from Omar, Aqil's father thanking us and saying how many of his staff had worked here through generation after generation. The fact we were able to personally thank each member of staff by name particular touched their hearts.

DAY 11

We ski until mid afternoon then head by taxis to Lake Dal, Srinagar to stay on the famous houseboats for the night. No trip to Kashmir is complete without a stay on one of these. The houseboats were originally built by the British to circumnavigate rules about building new properties in Kashmir during the British Raj. After the Raj ended the Kashmiris continued the tradition of the houseboats and it is now a thriving tourist industry.

I had been warned that we would suddenly be inundated with salesmen in other boats coming alongside selling all sorts of local goods – jewelry, leather goods, scarfs, hats, all sorts of souvenirs. We arrived at our houseboat, unpacked and relaxed with a drink savoring the experience. Outside the locals already begin to gather to sell their wares. Without further ado I invited them in and away we go spending our remaining rupees and savoring the experience. Like many of these places barter is the only way to fix a price. It's a fine line between paying the price you feel is right but not bartering too low – this is their livelihood and their only income.

In the morning we take a boat tour around the houseboats and floating shops. This is like a city on water, an incredible experience and one that you must do if visiting this part of the world. We finish our tour, load up and head to Srinagar airport for the flight back to Delhi.



An experience we will remember for a lifetime. If you have not been to India all I can say is go. Skiing in Kashmir – do it. Don't expect anything like European skiing. Go with open eyes and you won't be disappointed. One word of advice, go with professionals. The off-piste is unpatrolled. It's up to you, free and wild but what an experience.



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...collective madness or the courage of friends

Tom Saunders

It started in the summer of 2012. Svengali Charlish wove his spells, charmed and challenged . . . whether the wine, the recklessness confidence that comes when a challenge is half a year away, or just a momentary triumph of the child that all men are under thin pretence of maturity? Maybe it was the memory of discarding invitations to school ski trips to avoid embarrassment to much loved but hard-up working class parents.

Somewhere the feeling that, having been blessed with an amazing happy life despite early years of hard gangs, violence and hard streets, that helping those less fortunate is a right thing to do. Whatever it was, the seed was sown and events would follow that four blokes will remember for many many years to come . . .

The Snow-Camp Alpine Challenge was what it said on the tin; “a unique 2 day charity snow sports endurance event designed to give you and your team a skiing and snowboarding experience you will never forget!” It was also a reminder of how good the fellowship of friends can be and a source of admiration for the will-power and teamwork that emerged and was sustained even when we were pushing the limits of our individual fitness and strength. In two awesome days,

we skied further than many people ski in a year, we put the name of the DHO at the top of the leader board and we raised £6,000 for a great purpose. We lived up to our team name . . . The DHO Warriors.

The Snow Camp Challenge is a great event. Well organised and conducted with a great spirit of competitive friendship. To complete the challenge, we had to:

- clock up at least 150km of GPS tracked skiing on over 2 non-stop days across the 15 resorts of the massive ski area of Portes du Soleil
- complete the 5km night time mountain hike
- navigate to and get team photographs at 15 checkpoints at distant points across the ski resorts
- hit our fundraising target for Snow-Camp, making a massive difference to inner city young people!

The Snow-Camp Challenge was everything that Svengali Charlish promised and more . . . it was a competition, an endurance event, great fun, a test of teamwork, a personal challenge and a fantastic experience! The DHO Warriors met all of the challenges and clocked 256km over two days, to win the Snow-Camp Alpine Challenge 2013! In completing the challenge, we also raised £6,000 for a great cause.

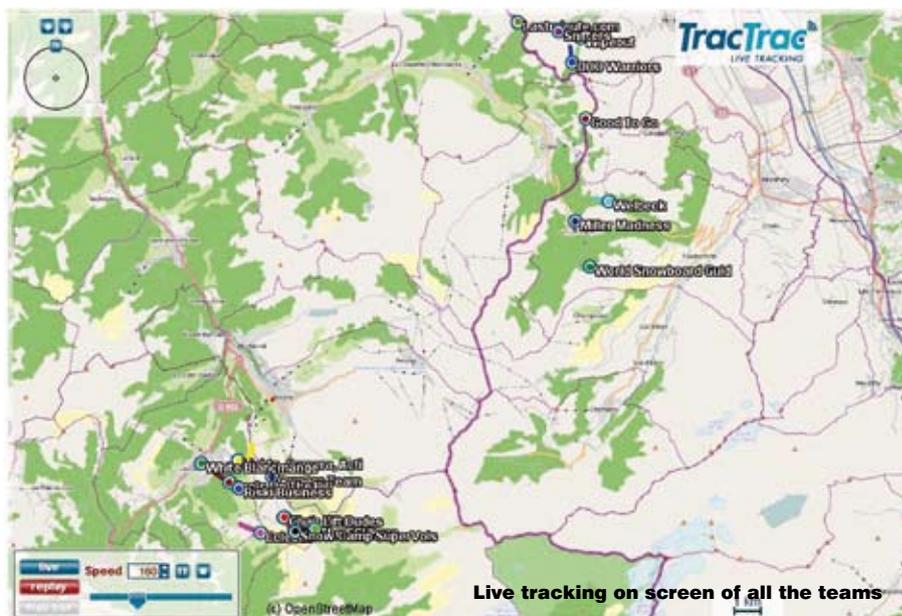
Having committed to the challenge, I imagined that one brief email would result in a deluge of aspiring team members. Alas, not so . . . family commitments, work, long-planned commitments prevented many of the people I had imagined to be naturally up for the challenge. Two of the people at the top of my most probable (i.e. slightly nuts) list were Simon Storer and Nick Stammers. Simon and Nick demonstrated their suitability on the “nuts” measure, having already committed themselves to the even more extraordinary challenge of ski-hiking to the South Pole – serious respect guys – amazing achievement!

Though many of the great DHO family of friends were committed elsewhere, we made a great team; Dan Jelcic (Racer), Graham Pruce (Navigator), Steve Mooney (Guide) and me, Tom Saunders (tail-end Charlie). Steve, knowing the ski area, immediately became our lead strategist. Graham demonstrated a great gift for navigation. These talents, coupled with Dan’s extraordinary ability for working out the time it would take from one target to the next, made us a team to be reckoned with. We might not be the youngest or the fittest, but we had brains and tenacity and none of us was interested in coming anywhere but first.

On the first morning of the challenge we were first to the start venue – booking our rightful place as the first team to depart. We picked up our GPS tracker and had a good breakfast before being marshalled by the Snow Camp team for a mass photo and then a start that strangely required us to run a quick circuit in ski boots before clipping into skis and heading for the first lift.

On the lift up to the first piste, I had expected to be one of our stronger skiers, but oh how wrong can you be. On the first run, while I was cruising past punters feeling quite quick and strong, I looked back and couldn't see any of the team. "Not to worry" I thought, "I'll see them at the next lift when they get there". Only then did I notice the three speeding figures up ahead moving like one of the national ski teams out for a free-run. In disbelief I quit my nice long turns and headed straight down the fall-line as fast as my skis (Sam's beautiful last season Blizzard GS skis) would take me. Out of breath and pretending to have just casually cruised in, I just got the lift with the team. On the lift, Dan mentioned casually that he had once been a racer in Slovenia. Graham turned out to be the fittest man at Brighton Hockey Club and skied as though he had been born in the mountains. Steve I already knew would be the most competitive men on the piste (as well as a great skier) and with the Snow camp Challenge to win he was determined we would do our best (and then some).

We raced down the pistes making great time, apart from the moments waiting for lifts to run when we got to them too early. During the morning we had to re-plan after a frustrating wait for a broken lift that never came back into service. On an improvised route we dashed from location to location taking the mandatory photo of the whole team at every stop. Returning to the Snow Camp Challenge base at the end of the first day, we were lying 2nd or third with 107km under our skis. Being probably the oldest team on the challenge, nobody seemed that concerned – we had a few "well done" and "that's good" from other teams, but they didn't seem to recognise that they were in the presence of an elite squad of highly trained and supremely tuned athletes (well, nearly!).



One of the fifteen official photo stops

Next came the 5km snow-shoe hike. While I can ski reasonably well, hiking on snow shoes is definitely not my sport – everyone else scooted off up the trail like whippets while I ground my way slowly up with ever-increasing pain in a back that can tell wicked stories of being abused while motor-bike racing and other activities many, many years before. My old injury really played up and, while Steve, Dan and Graham were stupendous – doing circuit after circuit, I made a valuable contribution by drinking a cup of gluwain for every lap they completed. Coming down on sledges was much more my thing and we all arrived roughly at the same time at the Snow Camp Challenge base with much laughter and sport had by all teams.

We sank our well-earned beers fuelled-up at dinner and retired early to work out if it would be possible to complete the challenge. The broken lift had seriously messed up our plans meaning we only got 6 of 15 targets on day 1. We would be faced with getting to 9 locations and covering a huge distance – absolute extremities of the ski area in the remaining day. We figured that it would theoretically be possible, but no certainty.

Sleep came to ease many sets of well-worked muscles that night.

Day two started as day 1 had ended – we were really going for it. We figured that we would go for all of the easiest targets as quickly as we could, leaving the long-distance difficult ones (beyond the previous day's broken down lift), to last. One by one we picked off the targets, Graham navigating brilliantly, Dan with the spookiest ability to predict timings and Steve with the grit and determination of an avenging god. It was all I could do to hang onto their tracks as we tore from one photo-stop to the next. We ate and drank on the move, only stopping for the absolutely essential calls of nature. Different pistes suited different skis and skiing styles but we managed to all arrive at each lift together to drink, eat, time-check and plan the next leg of the challenge.

By mid-day on day 2, we knew that we were up against it. Though we had skied fast and with great success, it was looking doubtful that we would have time to get out to the furthest target and get the vital lift that would get us back over the two mountains necessary to get back to the Snow Camp Challenge base. We threw ourselves at the next targets trying to grab minutes back. We had one more easy stop to make, after which we would have to decide whether there would be enough time to make the long fast runs out to the far end of the ski area. Having ticked off the last local stop, we looked at the map again, looked at our watches, looked at each other.

It would be a massive sprint over two mountains out and back and having to meet blistering times on both outward leg and return. Nobody was prepared to give up, so it was a team with tired legs and steely resolve that set off to bag the last locations. We absolutely went for it, skiing fast and stopping only when common-sense safety made it necessary. Arriving at the last location we knew we had only minutes to get the necessary photo and to blast back to the first return lift. Steve went off like a man possessed with three determined warriors in pursuit. We made the first lift breathing hard and with 30 seconds to spare. All would now rest on getting down to our second uplift before it closed. We figured we would have five minutes or less to get to the lift – piling off the lift and clipping up rucksacks and jackets on the move, we raced to the lift station doing our own versions of on-off-on piste traversing. Legs quivering, lungs burning, we got the last or second-last chair. Knowing that we had got all 15 locations and had pushed ourselves way beyond what we thought would be possible was a great feeling. There were four knackered warriors grinning from ear to ear that skied slowly but proudly down to the Snow Camp Challenge base that evening. We were greeted by “bloody hell – you lot have been travelling” from the GPS tracking team and “it’s been wild watching your progress – you’ve been absolutely flying” from the Snow Camp team.



(above) Two more photo stops



Another of the official photo stops

Beers – fun banter with the other teams – back to the hotel for a shower and then dinner and to find out how we had done.

Dinner started late. We waited. At last Svengali Charlsh took the microphone. Some special awards . . . some great money raised for Snow Camp and the kids they help, some individual accolades and then third place it wasn’t us. Second place it wasn’t us and after a long, long pause they announced the winning team of the Snow Camp Challenge 2013 – with 256km of tracked skiing in two days and all 15 targets acquired, the DHO warriors had achieved gold!

Hard to put into words, but there was something so special in the quiet reflection of four ordinary blokes that evening. We had skied ourselves to the edge of endurance and now sat, happy in each other’s company and gazing at, and occasionally touching, four gold medals with the words “256km” and “winners” echoing like memories in our ears.

There were a few younger teams who looked quizzically across at the four ordinary-looking blokes enjoying beers and banter and the fellowship of achievement. They’ll take us more seriously next year. After all we come from one of the oldest and best ski club in the world and stealing the words of the Terminator “we’ll be back”

Anyone wishing more details of the alpine challenge for 2014 (which more or less follows the same format as this year’s) and who might be interested in entering are suggested to look at the following website. We have been assured that (as we go to press), it is not yet fully subscribed.

www.snow-camp.org.uk/events/alpinechallenge

(below) Departing from Geneva Airport I-r; Graham Pruce, Steve Mooney, Dan Jelcic, Dan (Svengali) Churlish and Tom Saunders



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Above left; A Climb and above right; Our leader Adolf Schlunegger

DHO Spring Tour

Oli Gepfert

Saturday, March 16th

It's my first time on the DHO Spring Tour. As introductions are made at the hotel Col du Forclaz over a glass of Dôle, I realise that I'm the only novice in the group. Ian McCormick, Clive Mitchell, John Wright and Phil Gepfert are all DHO spring tour veterans. Jane McCormick and Vanda Joss are more recent converts, but have a few tours under their belts. Rounding off the team are René Seiler and finally Adolf Schlunegger, who has been guiding the DHO for over 25 years. Ian Carmichael, another seasoned spring tourer, is due to join us the following day.

Sunday, March 17th

For our first outing, Adolf chose the Vallon de Nant, a natural reserve in the commune of Bex. The weather was overcast and we learned from a passing local that the wind was howling higher up. Our spirits were buoyed, however, by the news that the local restaurant would be open for lunch. We continued our steady ascent into the park, winding our way up the valley, flanked by the peaks of the Grand Muveran and the Dents de Morcles. We made slow but steady progress through the trees, fortified during a short break by sweet tea, sloe gin and damson vodka courtesy of Ian McCormick and Clive.

Someone spotted a chamois on the slopes above, and a fiercely competitive game of "I spy" began. After a couple of hours (with many chamois spotted – some of which remain bitterly contested) we made it to a large clearing. We had to grit our teeth for the final few hundred metres, buffeted by the wind, to reach a small hut. We only paused briefly to remove skins and fix bindings before swapping the quasi-artic conditions for the comfort of the tree line again. A short ski down along the banks of a river, led us to the Pont de Nant restaurant, a well-earned lunch.

Ian Carmichael joined us in Martigny that afternoon, a little later than expected, a Swiss railways cashier having sent him to another 'Forclaz' several miles down the road. With the group now at full strength we retired to the hotel to plan the following day.

Monday, March 18th

We woke to heavy snow on Monday morning and had to dig Clive's car out before we could set off, putting the Col behind us. With the weather less than ideal, Adolf took us to the resort of Leysin for the day. We practically had the resort to ourselves and the lifts were eerily quiet. A silence soon shattered when we discovered a great expanse of virgin powder snow.

We spent the morning laying down fresh tracks, Adolf leading us off-piste to find some more challenging lines to ski. René headed through the trees along with those of us brave (or foolish) enough to follow him. The snow, which had been falling heavily all night, was incredibly light and very forgiving. While my rusty technique and two dodgy knees were getting an easy ride, the poor visibility caught a few of us out. In the afternoon Vanda took a tumble and injured her knee. While we hadn't managed to find use for our skins, we were sated by a day's exquisite skiing.

We packed up our gear and drove to Gsteig, settling into the Hotel Bären, which would be our base for the rest of the week. Adolf had captured some amazing video footage and we enjoyed re-living the best bits of the day over dinner at the Heiti restaurant, a log 'cabin' on an impressive scale. All except for Vanda, who had to take a small detour to the Doctor to have her knee stitched up!

Tuesday, March 19th

On Tuesday we took advantage of the fine weather and Adolf's local knowledge, setting off at 9am from the outskirts of Gsteig (at about 1180m). I foolishly tried to keep pace behind Adolf as he cut a zigzag path up the first steep hill.



Vanda looking good

Within 40 minutes my face was flushed from the sun, the considerable exertion and possibly from the embarrassment of falling while trying a kick turn. We found some shade amongst the trees and I fell back a few places, following John's advice that the snow was firmer (and so the going was easier) the further behind the guide you went. After a couple of hours we paused for a mid-morning snack. Refreshed, we continued our ascent to the top of Whalighürli, at 2050m. We shared the spectacular view of the Schluchhorn, Oldernhorn and Scex Rouge with half a dozen Americans who had just been dropped off by helicopter from Gstaad. It was with a slight sense of smugness that

we overheard one of them ask: "Did those guys really walk up here?"

After a brief pause for photos and a liberal application of ski wax, we headed back towards Gsteig. We had lots of space and laid down plenty of fresh tracks, feeling like the walk up had earned us the right to claim the mountain for ourselves. We stopped on the roof of a hut for lunch in the sun, washed down with a little of Clive's prosecco.

Lower down the snow was sticky and more challenging and by the time we hit the tree line we were exhausted, but elated from a fantastic day. We rejoined Vanda (who had spent the day resting her knee) for dinner at the Bären.

Wednesday, March 20th

On Wednesday the weather had closed in again, the wind was up and the visibility was poor, so we stayed close to Gstaad. We dropped our rucksacks at the Igloo Hotel, a magnificent ice hotel structure built half-way up the resort, and followed Adolf and René. We weaved between the pistes, down a series of gullies and through the trees. Once again, the snow on the lower slopes



The Igloo Hotel

was heavy in places and coupled with the poor visibility it made for a tiring but satisfying morning.

Adolf brought us back the Igloo Hotel for a fantastic cheese fondue which we devoured in the cavernous ice dining room, washed down with a few glasses of Fendant. We also had a quick tour of the premises, which the management explained is rebuilt every winter, only to melt again every August. We spent the rest of the afternoon in and around the resort, skiing as actively as our cheesy lunch would allow.

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Thursday, March 21st

The sun was out again on Thursday and Adolf led us up to les Diablerets via the old red Isenau gondola. From the gondola station, we took the draglifts and had a few runs down between the pistes, to warm up. Then we headed over the top of the resort and down the other side of the mountain towards Lake Arnensee. Our route took us down a steep face which we skied one by one. Ian McCormick and René were the last down, having waited at the top so they could come barreling down together. We then got squeezed through a section of narrow gullies, before putting on our skins for a half hour climb up to our lunch spot. We picnicked by some huts before donning our skins again to make for the summit of a nearby hill called Stuedelistand. An ascent of a few hours would have been quicker if we hadn't become stuck in the trees, Adolf having to deploy a small portable saw to make a path for us out the forest. We were rewarded with fantastic views as we reached the top (elevation unknown), but we could tell that the weather was beginning to change quickly and we didn't linger.

On the ski down Adolf and René picked out a shaded route, where the snow was lighter and we enjoyed some excellent deep snow skiing. We descended all the way to the banks of and around Lake Arnensee, crossing over the dam. From then on were more or less on the flat, following a road, although our route was interspersed with a few steeper narrow sections. Leaving a large gap between each of us, we belted down these bobsleigh style runs carrying as much speed as we could into the next flat section. We arrived back at the van an hour or so later, having enjoyed a great day's touring.

Friday, March 22nd

We packed our bags in the early morning, before setting off on our final half day, to take advantage of every last minute up on Glacier 3000. The swift new double cable car took us up to the glacier and we abandoned our bags at the Refuge de l'Espace. We got a few great runs in on the glacier, cutting between the pistes and picking the draglift back up again before we returned to the refuge. Snacking in the mid-morning sun, we enjoyed dramatic views from the terrace, which is perched

on the edge of sheer cliff by the Quille du Diable.



Oli Geffert



Lovely powder



Our last lunch

The Matterhorn was visible, off in the distance. After a short break, we split into two groups for more runs up on the glacier. With the sun shining brightly, the conditions on the lower slopes were deteriorating rapidly and we had to forego skiing all the way back down to the car park, because of the heightened avalanche risk. Still, none of us was quite ready to leave and we fitted in as many runs as we could before taking the cable car back down.

We had just enough time to say a hurried but heartfelt goodbye and thank you to Adolf and René for such a thrilling week, before speeding off to get changed and catch a flight back to the UK.



René Seiler and Ian McCormick

Obituary: Karl Fuchs

5th February 1922 – 1st March 2013

Karl was born in 1922 and his parents were the owners of the Eiger Hotel.

The Eiger featured in many of the DHO “happenings” from shortly after the DHO was formed and was frequently the place where members would meet for a beer or gluwain after skiing. Many members stayed at the hotel too.

When Karl’s parents died in 1941 and 1942 Karl took over the active management of the hotel, which period coincided with Karl’s service in the Swiss military. Over the decade that followed and up to the time when the business was handed over to his son in 1980, he shaped events in the Eiger and, to a considerable extent as well, in the village of Wengen itself.

In 1948 Karl married “his” Edith Gertsch from the Hotel Schweizerhof in Wengen. Son Karl and daughter Edith were born to the young family. Over the many years which Karl and his wife worked in the Eiger, they established very close friendships with many of the British guests of the Hotel Eiger. Many of these were members of the DHO, which both Karl and Edith subsequently joined. This goes some way to explaining the very close links between Karl and the long established Wengen based alpine ski club. It was at the old round table in the Eiger restaurant that for several generations DHO

members would meet after skiing each day.

Many members have very fond memories of happy times spent in the restaurant. Those who ever sampled Karl’s Steak Tartare (which he personally would prepare at your table) will never forget it. Many claimed it to be the best they had ever tasted.

In 1986, upon the death of our previous Hon President Ernst Gertsch, Karl was asked if he would take over. He accepted our invitation and thereafter served our club with distinction for over 25 years.

Karl passed away peacefully in his sleep on the 1st March 2013 after a long illness which he bore with fortitude.

His funeral was held in Lauterbrunnen which around 20 members of the DHO attended. We met at the graveside and then went to the church. The service lasted about an hour. After the traditional bread and cheese in the Silberhorn Hotel in Lauterbrunnen, some of us repaired to Wengen and to the Eiger Restaurant where we toasted Karl with some white wine.

May his spirit fly high with the eagles over the Lauterbrunnental -

RAP & KF



Karl in his younger days



Obituary: Gillian Mary Davies

6th December 1973 – 24th September 2013

Gillian was born into a world of skiing. Her father Max had already been on a boys' trip to Mürren when she was born and shortly after that her parents had discovered and fallen in love with Wengen.

They leapt at the opportunity to purchase a flat in the Schweizerhof in 1980. Wengen therefore became a regular feature of family holidays not only in the winter but also for summer walking holidays. Steep Alpine paths are unforgiving on young (short!) legs so Gillian – and her siblings Anna and Stephen – embraced the notion of “Down Hill ONLY” very quickly!

By the time Gillian joined the DHO in 1986 she already knew her way around Wengen and its mountains. She learnt to ski with Coggins under Mark Currie, and in 1990 was in the Bedales Team which won the British School Girls' Skiing Championships.

Gillian excelled at sports. Educated at the Prebendal School, Chichester where she was head of girls' games in her final year, she was fierce on the rounders field, her

co-ordination, balance and eye for the ball making her a key part of the team. Later at Bedales, Petersfield, she played both hockey and tennis for the school. When not skiing she was an elegant skater (what else to do during Avalanche warnings?), and outside of sport her passion and energy was for the stage. At school she performed in everything from Macbeth to Sweeny Todd, and in Cavalcade at the Chichester Festival Theatre. She studied drama at the London Academy of Performing Arts in Cinderella, Romeo & Juliet and many others.

Gillian developed epilepsy in her teens and, despite her tenacity, this ultimately drew her from an acting career. She re-trained as a jeweller, occasionally writing, producing and directing her own short films on the side. Although increasingly handicapped over the years, she fought to live as normal and independent a life as possible. Wengen was always a familiar sanctuary for Gillian, never losing her speed and grace flying down the mountains, the exercise, company and mountain air always putting colour in her cheeks and a spring in her step (and



occasional turns!), fuelled by a daily “RöstimitzweiEier”!

A very bright light has gone out of our lives.

Anyone who wishes to make a donation to the family's chosen charity Epilepsy Action, can do so at <http://gillian-davies.muchloved.com/> with our sincere thanks.

SJD





Obituary: Fritz Lauener (Photo Fritz)

Born: 18th June 1930 Died: August 2013

Fritz was born on the 18th June 1930. He grew up with his brother Karl in a farming family. Electronic things captured his interest so he built his own aeriels and radios. He wished to find a place for an apprenticeship in this field but he would have had to go to Spiez to follow this profession which was too far away from home for him.

His mentor, Dr Paul Lauener, from Wengen, who was living in Bern and also the private doctor of General Guisan helped him to find the way to an apprenticeship. He was placed at Julius Burch, (the former photographer at the Photohaus) which took from 1947 till 1950. After this he went to the French speaking part of Switzerland, to LeLocle to work as a photographer and to learn French. To learn more about the world he spent about half a year in Drammen in Norway with Harry Sondströd as a photographer, where he learned a bit of Norwegian and saved some money to then allow himself a stay in London to learn English.

Then he came back to Wengen to work for his former teacher Julius Burch, - and to prepare himself for a Master's degree in photography. He worked for Mr Burch and took lessons at the famous Fotoschool in Vevey with the widely known teacher

Gertrude Fehr. In his year he passed out with the best final exams for the whole of Switzerland. In 1961 he took over the business from Mr Burch and named it "Photo-Fritz".

The other long standing Wengen photographer Mr A. Baumann sold his business to Fritz when he retired in 1976. At this point Fritz had a virtual monopoly in Wengen.

In the 1960s to the 1980s, there was hardly a visitor to Wengen who did not have his or her photo taken on the slopes or whilst misbehaving in a bar at night. And Fritz and his team of photographers were the ones taking the photographs! He even had small polar bear suits that his girl employees would wear to visit the nursery slopes when the children's ski classes were taking place. The kids, of course, flocked to the bears to have their photos taken and then again to the display boards outside the shop that afternoon or next morning to gaze at and then pester the poor parents to buy copies! Most of today's older DHO members still have black and white photos purchased from Photo Fritz 30 or 40 years ago tucked away in a cardboard box in some cupboard at home.

When Fritz started his business, anyone who avoided being captured on film must have been extremely fleet of foot. Over the years, he built up his business to include postcards, Swiss army knives, photographic, sound and home entertainment equipment, posters, wood carvings and a myriad of other items. The advent of digital cameras meant that many visitors took their own colour photos on little top pocket digital cameras and thus the photographic side of Fritz's business diminished and the wisdom of his earlier diversification was evident.

Photo Fritz, along perhaps with the ski shop proprietors, was better known by DHO members and other holiday visitors than any other Wengen inhabitant. He was a popular member of the Wengen team who made our holidays in Wengen memorable and he will be greatly missed. Usually we only print obituaries of members of the DHO, but there have always been rare, but important exceptions. Fritz was never a DHO member, but he was one of those Wengen inhabitants to whom we would be doing a disservice if we did not properly mention his passing and commemorate his influence upon our memorable times in Wengen.

CL & FW



Obituary: Mark Stephen Blaver-Mann

1958 - 2011

Mark Blaver-Mann was tragically killed in a Helicopter accident in Majorca on 12/11/2011 age 53. He first skied in Wengen in 2005 and joined the DHO in 2011 having enjoyed two Heli-skiing trips to Canada with Max Davies and other DHO friends.

He was a successful businessman who developed his own electrical engineering company, Powermann, although his

accountant was said to note that his sales forecasts were always without fail too optimistic.

Mark was an avid sportsman, a golfer, wind surfing instructor and keen sailor who campaigned for the Torbay Admiral's cup and competed in the 2001 Fastnet race. He encouraged his children Georgie and Miles in their sailing, supporting them to represent Great Britain in the International

Cadet class. Most of all he will be remembered for his zest for life, enthusiasm and spirit of adventure. He managed to balance a successful business life with plenty of outdoor activities with his family, almost always with a broad smile on his face. His wife Lindsay, family and friends sorely miss him and it was a true pleasure to have known him.

TML

Obituary: Christopher Guy Hermon-Taylor

1945-2012

Chris was born on the 10th April 1945 in the Red House, Billericay, Essex, at the time a sleepy village. He was the youngest of 5 with 2 elder brothers and sisters.

He first skied on a family trip to Andermatt in 1952 where to his obvious enjoyment, warm fresh rolls with unlimited butter and black cherry jam at breakfast replaced habitual rationing. He was educated at Harrow School entering Moretons under Jas Morgan. Unlike his brothers before him he was unable to do games because of an adolescent condition of his spine. Instead, with the perceptive encouragement of his Housemaster, he spent much of his free time in the superbly equipped school workshops. With a generous interpretation of the rules he made things useful to schoolboys including a conspicuously functional brass cannon and developed his early skills as an entrepreneur.

After leaving Harrow he was articled to accountants Peat Marwick Mitchell and rose to become a Partner in his early 30's. He was given the specific task of establishing the first Redfield Training Centre at Church Crookham which was an outstanding success. He was described by his superiors as a "Highly effective training manager" and by his contemporaries as an inspired teacher and organiser. At a time of change in his life in the late 70s he left PMM to pursue his long held ambition to run his own companies. Chermont Ltd and subsequently Chermont Property Ltd were born. Successful in the early years, they survived periods of recession and created really nice places for people to live. Chris continued to work with the European operation of KPMG providing courses in Management and Presentation skills.

Chris met Jo Boiardini and they married in 1986. He gained two stepsons soon followed by their daughter Sophie. They lived in West Sussex finally settling in Puzzlewaite,

a dilapidated early Victorian flint knapped cottage in several acres at Oakwood, which with Chris's ingenuity and improvisation and Jo's interior design and lots of hard work they turned into a wonderful country house and property, with Tennis court, swimming pool and ingenious outbuildings supported by a creative relationship with the planning authorities. Going there to stay or to go sailing or just for a 'serious' lunch was always preceded by the warmth of the welcome and the somewhat mischievous sense of impending adventure and fun. Chris loved cars which he changed with metronomic regularity and boats both sail and power. He was an excellent builder and mechanic. He was a member of the RORC for most of his adult life.

Chris and Jo first came to Wengen on a slightly delayed honeymoon in 1986 in company with Chris' Dad Hermon and stepmother Noreen. Chris joined the DHO the same year. They became frequent visitors with Hermon and Noreen staying in the Silberhorn and later the Alpenrose. They all loved it. In 2003 Chris and Jo bought the flat in Roossi Huus which with their characteristic generosity rapidly became the family hub of many happy winters. Lots of parties and friends both visitors like themselves and in the village. Chris much enjoyed the DHO and meeting fellow members and strong friendships were forged during this time.

How well we recall the sight of him going ahead down the slope with his comfortable and safe style of skiing; stopping for our group to catch up by the side of the piste to get our breath, then on down often to Brandegg and the by now familiar prospect of apple fritters and a glass of the Vielle Prune. He loved lunching at Kleine Scheidegg; bratwurst and rosti stories and laughter. Favourites for an evening were pfeffer steak at the Hirschen followed by drinks and jazz at the Falken.



Chris had a major genetically determined heart attack in 1994 which left him variably incapacitated. Chris Bucknall at St Thomas' and modern cardiology kept him going. He was a favourite with the nurses, porters and junior doctors. He joked and made light of his problems and never complained. Although dogged by ill health his ability to keep skiing was quite remarkable, understanding his limits. He died suddenly in Wengen at 10:36am on December 3rd 2012 closing the door of his flat. He was a much loved husband to Jo, father to Sophie, stepfather to Graeme and Ollie and a special Granddad. He was also much loved by his brothers and sisters and some special friends.

JHT



In spite of the economic pressures 74 members (including 6 new) attended this year's season in Wengen and all participated with great enthusiasm to make it a particular success. The competitions followed the usual format and all were keenly contested

Wengen Curling Club 2013

Honorary Secretary: Iain MacDonald

On the first day of the season four teams competed in a two-round schenkel for the Reiner Stoffer Cup. The first round was played indoors due to snow falling but the afternoon saw a change in weather and so the second round could be played outside in bright sunshine. Led by Walter Marti the winning rink included Toni Loretan, Linda MacDonald and Robin Paterson. The Reiner Stoffer Cup and prizes were presented by Lorna Higgins.



Snow continued to fall on our second day restricting all play to the "cowshed". Once again four teams competed for the Wyllie Shield but shortage of numbers reduced each team to 3 players. With a 4 at the last end the all female team of Lorna Higgins, Linda MacDonald and Herta Wezel were convincing winners.

The Wyllie Shield and prizes were presented by Elsbeth Marti.



For the Bühlmann Cup four teams played a four round schenkel over two days with a free day between for the Lauberhorn Race. The first day was played outdoors in bright sunshine but on the second day only the morning round could be played outside due to deteriorating conditions. A strong performance by the team of Walter Marti, Susan Hinds, Barbara Scholten and Bruno Wezel in the final round led them to ultimate victory. The Bühlmann Cup and prizes were presented by Loreen MacKenzie.

There was a large entry for the Pairs Competition, 18 teams in total. Poor weather meant that all games were played indoors. Each team played 2 sessions of 4 ends and 6 stones and it was scored on a bonspiel basis



with shots and ends counting. Susan Hinds and Christine Reid were victorious and were presented with the DHO Cup by Pat Orr.

The event proved to be very popular and it is intended to repeat it in following years.



13 teams were entered for Hewitt Cup and President's Prizes, a 2-day competition. Good weather prevailed allowing the whole competition to be played outside. A 3-round schenkel was played with one team having a bye in each round.

The rink of Eric Hinds, John Glascodine, Jane Bolle-Jones and Mike Hales won the day. President Seana Barclay presented the Hewitt Cup and President's Prizes at her drinks reception in the DHO Club Rooms.



Whilst the men enjoyed their annual temperance outing to Mürren the ladies had an entry of 7 teams for Ladies' Day. A 4-round bonspiel was played, each round being 4 ends and 8 stones. The 4 teams with byes were awarded 3 shots and 2 ends. Although cold, fine weather, allowed play to proceed outside.

With a decisive score the rink of Margaret Pottie, Anne Forster, Christine Reid and Elsbeth Marti was victorious. Prizes were presented by Linda MacDonald.



The main competition of the season, the Wengen Cup, was played as a 2 round schenkel on the first day. The top four teams played semi-finals in the morning of the second day and a final in the afternoon. The first day's play was indoors, each round 8 ends. The second day's games were played outside and the competition ended at the seventh end with John Foster conceding the match after Bob Pottie's team with Ian Brown, Sandi Buchan and Bruno Wezel, added 5 shots to their 1 shot lead. The Wengen Cup and prizes were presented by Mrs Hannah Stettler at the Club's Annual Dinner held in the Hotel Silberhorn.



Competition for the Wright Bowl was played as a bonspiel over 2 games with shots then ends counting. All play was outside in good sunshine. Margaret Pottie was in the lead after the morning's play but, after defeat in the afternoon to Peter Duncan, the overall winner was new member Richard Ferguson and his rink of John Arbuckle, Ann Livingston and Sara Weech.

The Wright Bowl and prizes were presented in the clubhouse by Sandra Carruthers.



The Hotel and Chalet Cup is the only competition that allows members to select their own team members. This competition was run as a 4 round schenkel over two days. There were 10 teams entered and the first day's play had to be inside due to bad weather. Two teams dropped out on the first day and the remaining 8 teams played outside in the morning. A further two teams dropped out and the remaining 6 teams started play outdoors in the afternoon but had to move inside at the third end due to falling snow.

Three teams had possibilities of winning but it was the Bär & Tal team of Walter Marti, Detlef Scholten, Barbara Scholten and Elsbeth Marti that proved victorious.

The Hotel and Chalet Cup and Prizes were presented in the clubhouse by new member Mrs. Katie Greenhalgh. The small replica trophy was presented to Walter Marti for safekeeping until next year.



The final competitions of the season were played with reduced numbers but all who participated enjoyed their curling to the full.

The Lehmann Bonspiel was won by Harry Mitchell, Toni Loretan, Elsbeth Marti and Robin Paterson and the prizes were presented by Barbara Scholten.



The Holland Cup was won by Marcel Marolf, Anne Mitchell, Jane Bolle-Jones and Robin Paterson. Prizes were presented by Diane Paterson.



For our final day's curling the normal format was changed for this fun competition with normal team orders being reversed. This helped the skips appreciate the importance of the lead stones.

The winning team was Mike Hales, Barbara Scholten, Diane Paterson and Walter Marti.

Finally, the Club wishes to express its thanks to the members of the DHO Club for their kind permission to allow our President, Seana Barclay, to host her drinks reception in their wonderful Club Rooms.

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- Beverley Shnaps
- Hano Tschabold
- Jeremy Howard
- Karl Napflin

D Skiing Award

- Sally Ireland
- Janey King
- Lucy Maskey

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Marriages:

Anne Freund to Andy Seaman on 18th May 2013
(see image opposite)

Births:

To Colin and Jennifer Freund, a son,
Simon Alexander, on September 25 2012.

To Jeremy Howard and Emma Thomson,
a daughter, Zoe Jessica Howard on 11th
May 2013 (see photo below).



Wengen Faces:



(above) Richard Hackett and Tony Davis...
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somewhere"

**(below) 12 DHO members at Anne and
Andy's wedding**






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DHO Calendar 2013/14

HEINZ CUP

Thurs 26th Dec 2014

Pairs treasure hunt

WENGEN NAE LIMITS CHALLENGE

Thurs 2nd January 2014

LAUBERHORN WORLD CUP

Fri 17th – Sun 19th Jan 2014

INFERNO

Wed 22nd Jan – Sat 25th Jan 2014

WENGEN NAE LIMITS CHALLENGE

Thurs 30th Jan 2014

LUCY DICKER

Tues 4th Feb 2014

Night Slalom 18.30hrs

TOURIST CUP

Wed 5th Feb 2014

McMILLAN CUP

Thurs 6th Feb 2014

Evening - Prizegiving and supper

REUNION AND FUN WEEKEND

Fri 7th – Sun 9th Feb 2014

ANDY CAPP

Thurs 13th Feb 2014

Handicap

POLYTECHNIC CUP

Thurs 20th Feb 2014

Giant Slalom (raced with Coggins)

RAILWAY CUP

Thurs 27th February 2014

(by invitation)

KURVEREIN CRYSTAL

Thurs 6th Mar 2014

Pairs handicap

AICC RACES KLÖSTERS

Thurs 13th – Sun 16th Mar 2014

WENGEN NAE LIMITS CHALLENGE

Thurs 27th Mar 2014

ODLING CUP

Slalom

Thurs 3rd April 2014

JUNIOR AICC RACES – LAUBERHORN

Sat 5th April 2014

LED SKIING

Ceases Sunday 6th April 2014

CLUB ROOM CLOSURE

Sunday 13th April 2014

Other Thursdays during the season will provide opportunities to take part in yet to be confirmed challenges and races. A very extensive social scene is also organised. Please see Events insert which has much more detailed information on both races and social events.

SPRING TOUR Programme, 15th to 21st March 2014

Ian McCormick reports that the tour will take place based on a small hotel (www.glieshof.it) in Matsch, Sud-Tirol. On the map: south-west from Landeck (east of St Anton) in Austria to Nauders, over the Reschen Pass, past Malles and turn left up the Matschertal to Matsch/Mazia. Confusing place names in both German and Italian due to political differences in the past! Our guide Adolf Schlunegger has put together an energetic programme and will no doubt be aided as usual by René Seiler. Contact Ian by:

Telephone: **01489 877909**

Mobile: **07974 675 348**

Email: **ian@iwmccormick.co.uk**

Max's Day Touring Week 31st March – 4th April 14

Contact Max Davies for further details or bookings

Tel: **01234 811377**

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DHO Wengen Office Hours

Wengen Office hours, from 16th Dec 2013 to 6th April 2014, Monday to Sunday 1800 -1900hrs.

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DHO Clubroom Opening Hours

every week day from 09.30hrs – 12.00hrs (even if dry) and every evening from 18.00hrs to 19.30hrs.

Members may use the internet and have the opportunity to meet up with friends and new members

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Email Addresses

About 30% of all our members have not given us their email addresses. We know that in Europe there are some people who don't have email access, but that is thought to be less than 5%. Much of our communication to our members is done by email. Surface mail is becoming increasingly and unreasonably expensive. Using paper and consuming trees when we can send an email is difficult to justify.

This editor can justify the Journal on the basis that it is a "coffee table" type publication and will never in his lifetime be sent out by any other means than on paper. But most other communications from us should be sent electronically. So please help us by emailing our membership secretary (**mem.sec@downhillonly.com**) with your name and email address.

There may otherwise come a time when you will not receive anything from us but the Journal.

New Members 2013

The following have joined, or in some cases rejoined the DHO in 2013. The Club extends a warm welcome to all.

Simon	Allen	Donna	Gandy-Wright	Leo	Karavasili	Alison	Shelly
Nicholas	Baker	John	Garnham	Helen	Kennedy	Priya	Shiva
James	Bannister	Ian	Geddes	Alison	King	Brain	Stannah
Bea	Bannister	Larissa	Gertsch	Ian	Lees	Jennifer	Stannah
Aimee	Blacksman	Alexander	Gertsch	Charlie	Luke	Vivien	Stern
Martyn	Boutelle	Sophia	Gertsch	Bruce	Lynch	AJ	Suuvan
Tina	Bright	Gabriel	Gertsch	Ian	Mann	Heather	Thexton
Elise	Bright	Jake	Gilkinson	Anna	Martin	Paul	Thurk
Madeleine	Bright	Shana	Goodings	Henry	Martin	Edward	Turner
Freddie	Bright	Nadine	Goodings	Angus	Martin	Robin	Ward
Leslie	Brown	Noah	Goodings	Johannes	Meier	John	Whitehouse
Jemima	Bullock	Mark	Goodings	Paula	Monaghan	James	Whitehouse
Stephanie	Chadwick	Kevin	Gould	Daniel	Nicholson	Emily	Whitehouse
Bryce	Cooper	Angela	Gould	Urkan	Novak	George	Widmer
Oliver	Cooper	Audrey	Harris	Conor	O'Gallagher	Ruth	Widmer
Aemilia	Cooper	Julien	Hofer	Angus	O'Gallagher	Ned	Wolfe
Susan	Davies	David	Holdsworth	Andrew	Paterson	Philip	Wolfe
Timothy	Dingle	Zak	Hopkins	Paul	Prentice	Peter	Wright
David	Dingle	Lol	Hopkins	Amy	Price	George	Youngs
Lovie	Dingle	Elisabeth	Ihrig	Mark	Ransom	Jenny	Youngs
Penny	Dixon	Katharina	Ihrig	Katherine	Ransom	William	Youngs
David	Edwards	Peter	Ihrig	Diane	Robinson	Catherine	Yung
Zoe	Edwards	Anna	Ihrig	Tim	Robinson	Adrian	Yung
Frances	Edwards	Hans	Ihrig	Penny	Rudd	Christopher	Yung
Robin	Flucker	Nuala	Jones	Charles	Scott		

Where Are They Now?

I do not have current addresses for the following members. Could you please let me now if you know where they are?

Elaine Macleod, Hon Mem Sec.

Sophie	Childs	Mr JCB	Harnett	John-Michael	McCann	David Watson & Family
Mrs FJ	Cockersole	Raymond	Howell	Ralph	McDevitt	
Brigitte	Gertsch	Mr AHE	Lefort	Andreas	Ugland	
Hans & Brigitte	Gertsch	Jane	Martineau	Michael	Upton	

Membership List 2013

HP	Honorary President	GA	Gold Racing Arrow
P	President/Past President	SA	Silver Racing Arrow
L	Life Member	BA	Bronze Racing Arrow
G	Club Gold Badge	RA	Racing Arrow
S	Club Silver Badge	D	Club Skiing Award

Could members please notify me of any errors or omissions?

I have been asked by members who have rejoined the Club after some time away, if I could annotate their original year of joining. If you fall into this category, please contact me and I will attempt to alter the list accordingly.

Hon Membership Secretary

Mr S Adams	Steve	2010	Miss HE Austin	Holly	2005
Mrs CE Adams	Claire	2010	Miss HLC Austin	Hannah	2005
Miss E Adams	Elizabeth	2010	Mrs TH Austin	Tanis	1991
Miss S Adams	Sarah	2010	M le Axelrod	Andre	
Mr RJ Adams	Robin	2001	Mr R Baguley	Robert	2010
Mr C Adams	Christopher	1999	Miss R Baguley	Fiona	2010
Mrs S Adams	Sara	1999	Mr R Baguley	Thomas	2010
Mr S Adams	Sam	1999	Mrs M Baguley-Darcy	Mary	2010
Miss TM Adams	Theresa	1999	Mr ND Baker	Nicholas	2013
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Miss K Alban Davies	Kate	1991	Miss B Bannister	Bea	2013
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Miss C Alcott	Chimene GA G	1992	Mr B Barlow	Benedict BA	2004
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Mr B Alexander	Ben	2003	Mrs P Barlow	Pru	2005
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Mr S Alexander	Sam	2003	Mr S Barr	Steve	2009
Miss S Alken	Sophie	2009	Mr JD Barstow	John	2003
Miss J Alken	Jennifer	2009	Mrs EA Barton	Liz	1991
Mr C Alken	Conor	2009	Mr PA Barton	Peter	1991
Mr SB Allen	Simon	2013	Mr A Battley	Alexander	2009
Mr RP Allinson	Rupert	2006	Mr GJ Baylis	George	2003
Mrs G Allinson	Geraldine	2006	Mrs. P Beale		1965
Mrs F Allinson	Frederick	2006	Mr SN Beare	Stuart	1968
Miss F Allinson	Kitty	2006	Mr C Beaton		1998
Mr TD Anderson	Timothy	2007	Mr PM Beckwith	Peter L	1979
Mrs J Anderson	Janie	2007	Mr CH Bee	Christoph	2011
Mr CR Apletree	Chris	2010	Miss T Bell	Tara	2005
Mr PAJ Arengo-Jones	Peter	2009	Miss M Bell	Milla	2005
Mr J Arets	Jacques	2010	Mr M Bell	Michael	2005
Mrs K Arets	Karin	2010	Miss H Bell	Hollie	2005
Miss J Arets	Jacqueline	2010	Mr AC Bell	Alexander	2000
Mr P Arets	Patrice	2010	Mrs JML Bell (nee Paterson)	Joanna	1981
Miss K Arets	Kathrin	2010	Sir J Benn Bt	Jonathan L	1996
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Mrs J Armstrong	Jill S	1968	Mr O Bennett	Oliver	2011
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			Mrs S Bingham	Shara	2010
			Mr J Bingham	Jonathan	2010
			Mr N Bingham	Nicholas	2010
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			Mr MJ Birkett	Michael	1981
			Mr MCS Birt		1986
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			Mrs MJ Bode	Margaret	2009

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Mr H	Boorman	Henry	2009	Mr TF	Campbell-Davis	Trevor	1991
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Mrs F	Bradshaw	Fenella	2005	Dr CMD	Carnegie	Christina	2012
Mr J	Bradshaw	Jamie	2005	Mrs LH	Caron	Louise	2012
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Mrs K	Branigan	Katharine	2011	Mr RGP	Cars	Richard	1987
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Miss E	Bright	Elise	2013	The RTL	Chaloner	Toby	2010
Miss M	Bright	Madeleine	2013	Mrs D	Chaloner	Diana	2010
Mr F	Bright	Freddie	2013	Mr AR	Chandler	Alan	1990
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Dr RLF	Brignall	Robert	2012	Miss SEC	Childs	Sophie	1992
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Mrs J	Brindley O'Brien	Julie	2002	Miss CI	Christophersen MBE	Ingrid GA G	1964
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Mr AJ	Brockbank	Alan	1999	Mr FHB	Cladder	Frans	1982
Mr A	Brockbank	Alan	1991	Mrs TT	Cladder-van	Dorry	1980
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Mr L	Brown	Leslie	2013	Mr AWF	Clapperton	Wallace	1971
Mr L	Brown	Leslie	2012	Mrs DM	Clarabut	Deirdre	1980
Mr CHA	Brown	Christoph	2004	Mr PG	Clarabut	Philip	1980
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Mr HAM	Browne	Henry	1991	Miss A	Clare	Arabella	2011
Mr OTM	Browne	Oliver	1991	Mr R	Clare	Richard	1999
Mr ATM	Browne	Alexander	1991	Mr BH	Clark	Bruce	2009
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Mr ZJ	Coxon	Zachary	2011	Mr D	Dingle	Dominic	2011
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Mr CB	Craggs	Christoph	2002	Mrs S	Douglas	Sarah	1978
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Mr F	Crane-Robinson	Freddie	2010	Mr PJ	Doyle	Phillip	2002
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Dr. RE	Crockett	Raymond	1983	Mr H	Drew	Henry	2011
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Mr T	D'Arcy	Thomas A	2011	Mrs RM	Eastwood	Rachel S	2007
Mr A	D'Arcy	Aoife	2011	Mr PC	Eaton	Peter	2011
Mr G	D'Arcy	Gavin	2011	Mr JK	Edgley	John	2006
Mr RA	Davenport	Robin	1991	Mr JC	Edington-Brown	John	2010
Mrs ED	Davies	Eden S L	1992	Mr CHH	Edmonds	Charles S	1970
Mr R	Davies	Robert S	1991	Mrs. S	Edmonds	Sarah P G	1958
Mrs SM	Davies	Susan L G	1993	Mr D	Edwards	David	2013
Mr RM	Davies	Max G BA L P D	1982	Mrs FB	Edwards	Frances	2013
Mr SJ	Davies	Stephen D	1986	Miss Z	Edwards	Zoe	2013
Mrs SJ	Davies	Susan	2013	Mr F	Edwards	Hawkings	2012
Mr AMB	Davies	Andrew	2012	Prof M	Egger	Matthias	2011
Mr RO	Davies	Roger	1991	Herr A	Engi-Graf	Andi HM	1997
Mrs. A	Davies	Adele	1991	Frau J	Engi-Graf	Judith HM	1997
Miss GM	Davies	Gillian	1986	Herr M	Epp	Martin HM	1996
Mrs EA	Davis	Liz S	1994	Mr CC	Erhardt	Carl	2012
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Mr JRC	Dawson	John	1974	Miss LM	Fairbrother	Lucy	2000
Mr JK	Day	John	2005	Mr P	Fairclough	Peter D	2001
Mrs C	Day	Clare	2005	Mrs J	Fairclough	Jane	2001
Miss M	Day	Mary	2005	Mrs L	Fairfull	Liza	2012
Mr G	de Ferranti	Gus	2012	Mr TE	Fairhead	Thomas	2009
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Lt.Col.RAR	de Larrinaga TD	Rupert GA	1971	Mr JDE	Fairhead	James	2009
Mrs JL	de Rivaz	Julie	1988	Mr AEH	Fairhead	Alexander	2009
Mr PC	de Rivaz	Paul	1988	Miss ICH	Fairhead	Iona	2009
Mr PA	de Vere Hunt	Peter	2010	Herr E	Familietti	Ercole	2005
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Miss B	de Vere Hunt	Bella	2010	Mr PJ	Fanshawe	Peter	2006
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Mr BJ	Deleavingne	Benjamin	2007	Col RES	Faulkner	Robin	2009
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Mrs D	Deverell	Diana	2002	Frl. ZJ	Feliciano Cova	Zolla	1991
Mr S	Dewar	Simon	1985	Mr JA	Fergusson	Alistair	1976
Mr DB	Dick	David	2005	Mrs A	Fewtrell	Amanda	2002
Mr P	Diggle	Peter	2009	Miss FM	Field	Bunny G GA	1962
Miss R	Diggle	Rebecca	2009				
Mrs MA	Diggle	Anne	1980				
Mr TJC	Dingle	Timothy	2013				

Mr J	Field	John	2012	Miss C	Gay	Caroline	2009
Mr A	Field	Alexander	2012	Miss C	Gay	Catherine	2009
Mr CE	Fielding	Claude	1976	Mr ID	Geddes	Ian	2013
Mr P	Finnie	Peter	2006	Mr O	Gepfert	Oliver	1992
Mr GA	Fisher	Guy	2012	Mr PR	Gepfert	Phil	1983
Mr J	Fisher	Joss	1993	Mr B	Gerber	S HM	1962
Mr R	Fisher	Richard	1993	Frau M	Gerber	Margaret S	1994
Mr JDF	Fisher OBE	John	1990	Herr HP	Gertsch	Hans Peter S	1995
Miss J	Fisher Holland	Jane	1993	Herr C	Gertsch	Christophe HM S	1984
Mr TAI	Fitzpatrick	Tom S	1982	Frau K	Gertsch	Kathy HM	1984
Lt.Col. JWA	Fleming	Jon	1992	Herr U	Gertsch	Uli HM	1964
Mrs AS	Fleming	Alison	1991	Herr F	Gertsch	Fritz HM	1962
Mr LEA	Flindall	Leo D	1998	Herr V	Gertsch	Viktor HM	1979
Mr PA	Flindall	Paul	1998	Herr MK	Gertsch	Martin D	2002
Miss TEL	Flindall	Thea	1998	Miss L	Gertsch	Larissa	2013
Mrs DPA	Flindall	Deborah	1996	Mr A	Gertsch	Alexander	2013
Mr RP	Flucker	Robin	2013	Miss S	Gertsch	Sophia	2013
Miss S	Forbes	Sue	1986	Miss G	Gertsch	Gabriel	2013
Mr MJ	Ford	Michael	1985	Herr H	Gertsch	Hans	2010
Dr GR	Ford-Mackenzie	Gillian	2001	Frau G	Gertsch	Brigitte	2010
Mr AA	Forsyth	Angus	2007	Miss LG	Gibbons	Lorna	2011
Miss C	Foster	Camilla	2008	Mr V	Gibson	Vernon	2011
Mrs LJ	Foster	Linda	2005	Mrs S	Gibson	Susan	2011
Mrs H	Foster	Helen	1994	Mr A	Gibson	Alex	2011
Ms PF	Frampton	Petra	2012	Miss A	Gibson	Anna	2011
Mr NMP	France	Nicholas	2010	Mr G	Gigg	Graham	2006
Mr JR	France	John	2010	Mr RJ	Gilbert	Richard S	1960
Mr F	Francis	Francis L	1984	Mrs K	Gilbert	Kirsten	1964
Mr AS	Francis	Andrew	2011	Mr J	Gilkinson	Jake	2013
Mrs R	Francis	Rhian	2011	Mr CJF	Gill	Christopher	2009
Mr T	Francis	Toby	2011	Mrs P	Gill	Patricia	2009
Mr R	Francis	Rory	2011	Mrs PM	Gilmour	Pamela	1993
Miss C	Francis	Cerys	2011	Mr AJC	Gilmour	Alexander	1993
Mr DN	Freund	Norman	1963	Mr JR	Gilmour	John	1984
Mr CR	Freund	Colin	1981	Mr DN	Gilvary	Dermot	1999
Mrs EJ	Freund	Jane	1969	Mrs V	Gleadow Ware	Vanessa	1992
Frau S	Fuchs	Susie S	1975	Miss P	Gleadow Ware	Primrose	1992
Frau E	Fuchs	Elizabeth HM	1994	Mr JH	Gleadow Ware	James	1985
Herr F	Fuchs	Fredy HM S	1983	Mrs AL	Gloster	Annie	2009
Herr K	Fuchs Jnr.	Karl S	1975	Mr MC	Gloster	Malcolm	2008
Frau E	Fuchs-Gertsch	HM	1961	Mrs H	Gloster	Helen	1999
				Mr EJM	Glover	Edmund	1998
Mr Y	Gachoud	Yves	1991	Mr J	Gluck	Jean-Daniel	2011
Mrs AC	Galbraith	Antionette	2006	Mrs M	Goldberger	Maria HM	1970
Miss D	Galica	Divina G GA	1960	Mr A	Gonzales	Alfredo	2012
Mr DC	Gallagher	David	2010	Mr R	Goodbody	Richard	2012
Mr JE	Gallagher	James	2010	Mr M	Goodings	Mark	2013
Miss VR	Gallagher	Victoria	2010	Miss S	Goodings	Shana	2013
Dr JE	Gallagher	Jennifer	2009	Mr N	Goodings	Noah	2013
Mr PCD	Gamble	Peter S	1982	Miss N	Goodings	Nadine	2013
Mrs DKO'N	Gamble (nee Pearson)	Di G	1970	Mr RHP	Goodwin	Robert	2010
Mrs D	Gandy-Wright	Donna	2013	Mrs. OI	Gordon	Olivia S	1987
Mr NHN	Gardner	Nigel G GA	1950	Mrs K	Gosling	Katrina	2005
Mrs JC	Gardner	Juliet	1954	Mr F	Gosling	Francis	2005
Mr P	Garner	Paul	2010	Mr KJ	Gould	Kevin	2013
Miss C	Garner	Charlotte	2010	Mrs AM	Gould	Angela	2013
Miss E	Garner	Ellie	2010	Mme M	Gransagnes	Margarete	1997
Mr HJ	Garnham	John	2013	Miss A	Grant	Andrea	2011
Mr MC	Garthwaite	HM	1975	Mr A	Gravell	Alicky	2009
Mr HG	Garthwaite	Henry	2011	Mr PW	Green	Patrick	1990
Mr WFB	Garvey	William	1985	Mrs K	Greenhalgh	Kathryn	2004
Mr PV	Gash	Peter	2005	Miss L	Greenhalgh	Lucy	2004
Mrs LJ	Gash	Lesley	2005	Mr PD	Greenhalgh	Peter	1985
Mr ML	Gash	Morgan	2005	Mr JW	Greening	John	1983
Miss M	Gash	Monica	2001	Mrs HM	Gregson	Helen	1992
Mr SV	Gaskell	Vaughan S	1957	Mr MDA	Gregson	Michael	1975
Mr R	Gassmann	Richard	2011	Mr AT	Griffith	Andrew S	1998
Mr M	Gassmann	Marc	2011	Mr ADW	Griffith	Antony	2012
Mr EF	Gates	Edward	1968	Mrs RS	Gunn	Renate S L	1993
Mr C	Gava	Cain	2012	Mr JH	Gunn	John L G	1993
Mr GP	Gay	Geoffrey D	1991	Mrs AC	Guthrie	Christine	1997
Mrs N	Gay	Niki	2009				
Miss E	Gay	Elizabeth	2009	Mr RS	Hackett	Richard RA D	1956
Mr F	Gay	Freddie	2009	Mr JR	Hackett	James	2012

Mr	LD	Hackett	Luke	2001	Mr	RA	Hoyle	Roger	1996
Mr	MJ	Hadfield	Matthew	2010	Dr	ES	Hoyle	Emily	1996
Herr	A	Haesler	Andreas	1970	Mr	CJP	Hoyle	Christopher	1996
Mrs	J	Hall	Jane	2006	Mr	S	Hrones	L	1972
Mr	G	Hall	Graeme	2006	Mr	AS	Humphryes	Adam	1973
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Mr	RJD	Harding	Robert	2003	Mr	S	Hutton	Stuart	2012
Mr	JR	Hardwick	Richard	1980					
Mr	JM	Hargreave	Michael S	1954	Dr	H	Ihrig	Hans	2013
Mr	JCB	Harnett	RA	1971	Mrs	A	Ihrig	Anna	2013
Miss		Harnett		1971	Miss	E	Ihrig	Elisabeth	2013
Mr	RW	Harrington	Robert	2009	Miss	K	Ihrig	Katharina	2013
Mrs	AC	Harris	Audrey	2013	Mr	P	Ihrig	Peter	2013
Dr.	MH	Harris	Mike	1989	Mrs	SW	Ingram	Sallie	1965
Mr	NBM	Harrison	Nicholas	1988	Mr	RIA	Ireland	Robert SA D	1965
Mr	DTN	Hart	David	2004	Ms	SJM	Ireland	Sally GA L D	1963
Miss	E	Hartley	Ella	2008	Maj	H	Irvine-Fortescue	Henry HM GA	1990
Cdr	MJ	Harvey	Michael	2001					
Mr	C	Harvey	Colin	2001	Mrs	SF	Jacoby	Susan	2006
Mr	R	Harvey	Robert	2001	Mr	AR	James	Robin	1980
Mrs	KA	Harvey	Katherine	2001	Mrs.	HM	Jamieson	Hilda S	1956
Mr	ME	Hatcher	Mike	1982	Mrs	V	Jamieson	Valerie	2004
Mrs	NA	Haynes	Natalie	2010	Mr	VC	Jamieson	Victor	1975
Mr	C	Haynes	Charles	2010	Mr	J	Janson	Jonathan S	1949
Mr	M	Haynes	Max	2010	Mr	BH	Jayes	Brian	2004
Mr	A	Haynes	Alex	2010	Mrs	CP	Jayes	Clare	2004
Mrs	P	Headey	Pauline	2009	Mr	OCP	Jeanneret	L	1963
Mr	PJ	Headey	Peter	2004	Mr	A	Jelicic	Alexander	2008
Ms	C	Hector	Clair	2010	Mr	MJ	Jessop	Matthew	2008
Mrs	R	Heller	HM	1979	Mr	M	Joas	Martin	2012
Mrs	LA	Hemley	Linda	2010	Mr	PD	Job	Peter	2004
Mr	AJ	Hennings	Alexander	2004	Mrs	MJ	Job	Melinda	2004
Mrs	CT	Hensman	Claire	2011	Miss	NA	Job	Natalie	2004
Miss	LCB	Hensman	Lucinda	1996	Mrs	Jl	Johns	Jean	2012
Mr	PRW	Hensman	Peter	1975	Mrs	G	Johnson	Gillian S	1989
Mr	P	Hermon-Taylor	Peter	2006	Miss	SP	Johnson	Sandra	2011
Mrs	J	Hermon-Taylor	Jocelyn	2006	Mr	CM	Johnson	Christopher	2009
Mrs	FM	Hervey	Fiona S	1962	Mr	GD	Johnson	Geoffrey	1995
Miss	VJ	Higgin	Victoria	1997	Mr	WS	Johnston	William	2008
Mrs	W	Hill	Wendy S	2009	Miss	P	Johnston	Pamela	2007
Mr	PJ	Hill	Philip L S	2002	Mr	JM	Johnstone	James	2008
Mrs	S	Hill	Susan	2009	Mrs	CE	Johnstone	Caroline	2008
Miss	J	Hill	Jennifer	2008	Miss	J	Jones	Nuala	2013
Mr	M	Hill	Matthew	2006	Mr	N	Jones	Nick	2012
Mrs	ASD	Hilleary	Sheena G GA	1952	Mrs	K	Jones	Karen	2009
Mr	RM	Hillman	Richard	2008	Mrs	FHR	Jones	Hilda	1997
Frau	B	Hirni	Beatrice HM	1982	Mr	AR	Jordan	Alan	2007
Mrs	SC	Hirst-Malin	Sarah	2008	Dr	DV	Joss	Vanda D	1985
Mr	RD	Hocking	Robbo L	1988					
Mr	G	Hodgson	Geoff	2008	Miss	AMS	Kahve	Anais	2010
Miss	G	Hodgson	Georgia	2008	Mr	PA	Kaju	Paul	2011
Mrs	JMW	Hodgson	Jill	1988	Mr	CP	Kalbraier	Christoph	1991
Mr	J	Hofer	Julien	2013	Mr	L	Karavasili	Leo	2013
Mr	D	Holdsworth	David	2013	Miss	V	Kaufman	Victoria L	1972
Mr	SA	Hollington	Simon S	1979	Mr	TS	Keeling	Timothy	2010
Mrs	VM	Hollington	Paddy S	1957	Mr	WB	Kendall	William	2006
Mr	TJ	Holmes	Timothy	1968	Ms	JH	Kennedy	Helen	2013
Mr	RJ	Holt	Richard	2012	Mr	RI	Kennedy	Robert	1996
Mr	BGC	Holt	Benjamin	2009	Mr	NLA	Kennett	Nicholas	2010
Ms	DB	Holtz	Deborah	2012	Mrs	SP	Kent	Sue	1980
Mr	Z	Hopkins	Zak	2013	Mrs	C	Keown (nee Proctor)	Susan S	1955
Mr	L	Hopkins	Lol	2013	Mr	J	Kerr	John	2008
Mr	MD	Hopkins	Michael	2007	Mr	RJ	Kerry	Roger	1956
Mr	A	Horcajo	Alberto	2007	Mrs	V	Kilgour	Victoria	2011
Miss	J	Horcajo	Jane	2007	Miss	SM	Killwick	Sheridan G D	1991
Miss	A	Horcajo	Alicia	2007	Mr	EGS	Killwick	Edward SA	1997
Miss	E	Horcajo	Elena	2007	Mr	CE	Kilner	Charles	1989
Miss	JA	Hoskins	Julie	1975	Mrs	J	King	Janey D	1993
Mr	CJ	Houlbrooke	Christoph	1984	Ms	AL	King	Alison	2013
Mr	FW	Hoult	Frederick	2012	Miss	I	King	Isabel	2010
Mr	JP	Howard	Jeremy S D	2000	Mr	DJ	King	David	2009
Mr	RVJ	Howell	Raymond	2007	Mr	C	King	Caradoc	1993
Mrs	JS	Hoyle	Sarah S	1996	Mrs	N	King (nee Walduck)	Natasha	1992

Mr AG	Kingham	Alfred	2012	Miss R	Little	Rosie	2010
Miss K	Kirkpatrick	Kerry	2004	Mr JA	Livingston		1988
Mr PR	Kirwan-Taylor	Peter GA	1947	Mr DR	Lloyd	David	2007
Mr PB	Kite	Peter	2007	Dr. D	Lobozzo	David	1972
Miss E	Kite	Ella	2007	Miss H	Lodge	Helen	2010
Mr HM	Kleiweg deVann	Maarten	2010	Mrs. JA	Lonie	Janet S	1985
Mrs TE	Kleiweg de Vann	Eva	2010	Mr ED	Lonie	Duncan L G	1985
Mrs S	Knopf	Shirley	2011	Mr JC	Lovatt	John	1990
Mr M	Knopf	Merrill	2011	Mrs UE	Loveday	Unni S	1973
Mr T	Knott	Tony	1998	Mr DF	Lovegrove	David	1988
Mrs M	Kopaci-Di	Michele	2010	Mr RDE	Lovell	Richard GA	1962
Mr T	Kozlowski	Tomasz	2002	Dr N	Low	Nicola	2011
				Mr CJ	Luke	Charlie	2013
Mrs D	Lakin	Daphne S	1967	Mr PAH	Lukowski	Peter S	1963
Mr HR	Lambert	Hugh	2004	Mr FWA	Lynch	Bruce	2013
Mrs RP	Lancaster	Rosli S	1973	Mr AD	Lyons	Alexander	2007
Mr RK	Lancaster	Robert	1998	Mr FPJ	Lyons	Daniel	2007
Mrs EMT	Lane	Miranda	2012				
Herr P	Lanz	Pierre S	1995	Miss FC	Mabey	Fiona	1981
Dr DFP	Larkin	Frank	2003	Mrs I	Mabey-Kite	Isabel	2007
Mr JM	Latimer	Jonathan GA	1963	Mr TA	Mace	Toby	2011
Mrs R	Latimer	Rosemary	2005	Mrs P	Mackintosh	S	1951
Mr M	Laughland	Max	2012	Mr D	Mackintosh	Douglas GA	1946
Mrs A	Laurie-Walker	Anna G	1978	Mr CRD	Mackintosh	Charlach G	1953
Mr A	Laurie-Walker	Alastair	1983	Mrs E	Macleod	Elaine G	1994
Miss RM	Lawrance	Rosie	2000	Miss A	Macready	Anna	1981
Mr RJ	Lawrance FR	Richard	1984	Sir N	Macready	Nevil	1981
Dr TM	Lawrance (nee Bevan-Jones)	Tessa G D	1969	Mr RW	Malin	Richard	2008
Mr DJF	Lawrence	David	1995	Miss L	Malin	Lara	2008
Mr DJ	Lawson	Douglas	2005	Mr G	Malin	Giles	2008
Mrs KJ	Lawson	Katharine	2005	Mr IJ	Mann	Ian	2013
Miss AK	Lawson	Anna	2005	Mr PT	Manson	Paul	1990
Maj JAG	Le Coq	Jimmy S	1975	Mr JE	Marie	Julian L	1968
Mrs SJ	Le Coq	Jilly	1949	Mr RW	Maris	Robin	1960
Mr C	Leach	Charlie	2012	Mrs. TR	Marriott	L	1967
Mrs L	Leach	Louise	2009	Mr AG	Marriott M	Alan	2001
Mr W	Leach	William	2009	Miss VL	Marshall	Vicky S	1973
Mr IA	Leach	Ian	2005	Mrs JA	Marshall	Joan	1977
Mrs FS	Leach (nee Easdale)	Fiona G GA	1969	Mrs. SK	Marsham	Suzanne S	1967
Mr W	Leavitt	William	2012	Mrs G	Martel	Gisela L G	1968
Mr J	Lee	Jocelyn	2011	Herr R	Martel	Rudi L	1968
Mr PA	Lee	Peter	1972	Mrs A	Martin	Anna	2013
Mr IS	Lees	Ian	2013	Mr H	Martin	Henry	2013
Mr CP	Lees-Jones	Christopher	2001	Mr A	Martin	Angus	2013
Mrs AM	Lees-Jones	Anne	2001	Mr SB	Martin	Samuel	1997
Mr AHE	Lefort		1986	Mrs CA	Martin	Ann	1972
Mrs B	Lehrell (nee Hargreave)	Belinda	1991	Mr EB	Martin	Eric	1972
Mr EG	Lesley	Edward	2012	Mrs EJ	Martineau	Jane	1984
Mr MPG	Lewis	Mark	2009	Mrs M	Marx	Madeleine HM G	1949
Mrs HN	Lewis	Heidi	2009	Mr J	Maskey	James S	2001
Miss R	Lewis	Rebecca	2009	Miss L	Maskey	Lucy S D	1993
Mr F	Lewis	Freddie	2009	Mrs. R	Maskey	Rachel S	1988
Mr DI	Lewis	David	2009	Mr MJ	Maskey	Michael L	1988
Mr W	Lewis	William	2006	Mr PFE	Masser	Paul	2000
Mr RC	Lewis	Richard	1982	Dr. RM	Matheson	Roderick	1978
Mrs R	Ley	Rebekah	2010	Mr J	Mathews	John S	1976
Miss B	Ley	Beatrice	2010	Mrs ME	Mathews	Betty	1976
Mr A	Ley	Alfred	2010	Miss D	Mathias	Diana S	1973
Mr NS	Ley	Nigel	2001	Mrs F	Matthews	Fiona	2010
Mr KA	Liddell	Kier	2004	Mr P	Matthews	Paul	2009
Mr AC	Liddell	Adrian	1975	Mr R	Mauerhofer	L S	1950
Herr URS	Liebethal	Urs L	1969	Mrs VL	Maxe	Viki L	1999
Mr PM	Lightfoot	Peter S	1968	Mr P	Maxe	Philip	1999
Mr JJL	Lillingston Paterson	Jamie	1981	Mr PC	Maxlow	Paul	1982
Dr AP	Lipscomb	Anthony S	1984	Mr D	Maynard	Daniel	2004
Mrs PJB	Lipscomb (Myles)	Pennie S	1963	Mrs L	Maynard	Lauren	2004
Mr K	Lismore	Kieran	2009	Miss L	Maynard	Lucy	2004
Mrs S	Lismore	Sally	2009	Mr L	Maynard	Luke	2004
Mr J	Lismore	Jake	2009	Mr AW	McAlpine	Andrew	2006
Miss S	Lismore	Sophie	2009	Mr FA	McAlpine	Fergus	2006
Mr I	Little	Iain	2010	Mr F	McAlpine	Freddie	2005
Mrs MA	Little	Mary Ann	2010	Mr ARD	McArthur	Allan	2006
Mr T	Little	Tom	2010	Mrs S	McArthur	Susan	2003
Miss K	Little	Kate	2010	Mr JM	McCann	John	2000

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Miss	MH	McCutchan	Mary	2001	Mr	RRV	Nicholson	Rodney	1956
Mr	JDS	McCutchan	Donald	1991	Mr	K	Nisbet	Kit	2008
Mr	R	McDevitt	Ralph	2010	Mr	A	Nisbet	Angus	2008
Mrs.	C	McEwan (nee Sims)	Caroline G	1954	Mr	M	Nolan	Michael	2012
Mr	DR	McGilvray	Donald	1998	Mr	M	Nolan	Andrew	2010
Ms	M	McGrade	Michelle	2005	Mr	AJ	Norris	Alan	2006
Mr	PA	McIntosh	Patrick	1982	Herr	U	Novak	Urkan	2013
Mr	AJ	McIrvine	Andrew	2005	Mr	C	Nye	Cliff	2009
Mr	WP	McLucas	William	1995	Mr	S	Nye	Stephen	1992
Mrs	BA	McLucas	Blyth	1995	Miss	A	O'Brien	Amy	2002
Miss	CCB	McLucas	Camilla	1995	Mr	A	O'Brien	Andrew	2002
Mrs	J	McMahon	Joanna	2011	Mr	E	O'Brien	Evan	2002
Mr	J	McMahon	Jack	2011	Mr	C	O'Gallagher	Conor	2013
Mr	M	McMahon	Max	2011	Mr	A	O'Gallagher	Angus	2013
Mr	M	McMahon	Jed	2011	Mrs	S	O'Gallagher	Susan	2010
Mr	R	McMillan	Rod	2007	Mrs	R	O'Grady Walshe	RoseAnne	2011
Prof.	IA	McNeish	Iain	2012	Mr	M	Oldham	Michael	2004
Mrs	JM	Medves (nee Ryan)	Jenny S	1984	Mr	MJ	Oliver	Michael	2001
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Dr	JRC	Mew	John	1969	Mrs.		O'Meara	L	1970
Mr	JH	Mewburn		1982	Mr	MP	Ommanney	Martin	1996
Mr	HW	Meyer	HM S	1963	Mrs	SJ	Ommanney	Sandra	1996
Dr.	DR	Michell	S	1959	Miss	S	Ommanney	Sarah	1996
Miss	ME	Miller	Maggie S HM	1957	Mr	E	Omolu	Edmond	2006
Miss	V	Miller	Vi BA	2002	Mr	DG	Orf	David	1998
Ms	A	Miller	Aoife	2012	Mr	CE	Orme	Charles	1981
Mrs	V	Miller	Genie	2002	Mrs	C	Orr	Caroline	1996
Mr	D	Mills	David	2012	Mr	P	Orr	Paddy	1996
Miss	AF	Millward	Abigail	2007	Mr	MJ	Osborne	Marcus	2008
Mr	AN	Mitchell	Neil RA	1959	Mrs	EA	Owen	Elizabeth	1996
Mr	CAJ	Mitchell	Clive GA	1959	Mrs	EL	Padania (nee Walduck)	Eloise	1991
Mr	PJ	Mitchell	Patrick	2012	Mr	J	Pailthorpe	John	2008
Mr	IJ	Moir	Ian	2012	Mr	LW	Palmer	Lawrence	1974
Frau	L	Molitor	Lillian HM S	1985	Mrs	A	Panter	Anna	1973
Herr	R	Molitor	Rico HM S	1985	Mr	D	Panter	David	1959
Herr	K	Molitor	Karl HM GA	1946	Dr	NTM	Panton	Nicholas	2012
Ms	PJ	Monaghan	Paula S	2013	Ms	M	Parker	Minette	2010
Mr	ACV	Montgomery	Andrew	1971	Mr	D	Parker	Dean	2008
Mr	SE	Mooney	Steven	2010	Mrs	SJF	Parker	Sarah	2005
Mrs	C	Mooney	Christel	2010	Mr	PSJ	Parker	Paul	2005
Mr	J	Mooney	John-Dean	2010	Mrs	RM	Parker	Ruth	1996
Mr	H	Mooney	Hugo	2010	Mr	M	Pascall	Mike	2006
Mr	P	Mooney	Pip	2010	Mr	R	Patel	Raj	2012
Mrs	HEJ	Moore	Liz S D	2002	Mrs	DM	Paterson	Diane L S	1972
Mr	ND	Moore	Nigel S BA	1989	Mr	RA	Paterson	Robin L S	1968
Ms	JE	Moore	Joyce	2012	Mr	AN	Paterson	Andrew	2013
Mr	MRH	Moore	Michael	2002	Mr	JN	Paxton	John S	1950
Miss	A	Moore	Alexandra	2002	Mrs	JM	Paxton	Jane	1993
Mr	J	Moore	John	2002	Mr	SM	Pearson	Simon	2000
Mr	GR	Moore	Graham	1982	Miss	CA	Pelton	Catherine BA	1999
Mr	M	Morgan	Matthew	2010	Mr	MD	Pelton	Michael BA	1999
Mrs	KJ	Morgan	Karen	1981	Mr	KO	Pelton	Kenneth	1999
Mr	J	Mroz	Jaroslav	2007	Mrs	AM	Pelton	Anne	1999
Mr	SM	Mucklow	Steven	2008	Mr	AM	Pelton	Andrew	1999
Mr	MPR	Munt	Marcus	1995	Mr	MK	Penberthy	Kevin	1988
Miss	P	Murphy	Patricia G GA L	1958	Mr	SNS	Penrose	Stephen	2006
Mr	AP	Murray	Angus	1999	Mrs	RKE	Penrose	Kate	2006
Mr	CD	Murray-Brown	Charles	2005	Mr	CAS	Penrose	Christoph	2006
Mr	W	Myles	William	2008	Mr	JSD	Penrose	James	2006
Mrs	R	Myles	Rebecca	2008	Mr	ANS	Pepper	Adrian	2012
Ms	A	Myrsep	Anja	2011	Mr	JC	Percival	Jonathan	2012
Herr	K	Napflin	Karl S	2011	Mr	A	Peretz	Adi	2010
Mrs	D	Nason	Dana	2009	Mr	IS	Perkins	Ian	2008
Miss	H	Needham	Holly	2008	Mrs	CJ	Perkins	Cynthia	2008
Ms	L	Nelson	Lucy	2012	Mr	W	Perrott	William S	1994
Mrs.	S	Ness(Jamieson)	Sheila S	1956	Mr	EFV	Perrott	Edward G D	1994
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Mrs	E	Newbold	Elaine	2008	Mrs	L	Perrott	Lesley	1994
Miss	A	Newbold	Anna	2008					

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Ms JA Peterson	Jane	2011	Mrs H Reicher	Hilary	2000
Miss C Peterson	Claire	2011	Mr D Reicher	David	2000
Mr B Pette	Brian	1987	Flt.Lt. M Reid	Mike	1986
Mr M Pettiifer	Michael	2011	Mrs VS Reid	Sonia	1972
Ms S Pfenniger	Sherry	2011	Mr MT Reynolds	Marcus L	1969
Mr B Phillips	Brian S	2000	Mr B Richardson	Benjamin	2011
Mrs C Phillips	Christina S	2000	Mr PCA Richardson	Paul	2003
Mr S Phillips	Simon	2000	Mrs. E Richardson		1991
Mr SAS Phillips	Samuel	1999	Mr J Richardson	John	1991
M G Pier	George	1982	Mr JH Richardson	Julian	1981
Mme. L Pier	Louise	1982	Dr WJ Rickford	Jeremy S	1979
Dr J Piers	James	1993	Mrs JA Rickford	Jackie	1983
Mr DC Pinckney	David S	1960	Dr. AJ Rigby	John G GA	1957
Mrs. J Pinckney	Belinda S	1950	Miss S Rimell	Sophie	2012
Mr J Pincott	John	2010	Sir J Ritblat	John L	1999
Mr A Pink	Adrian	2006	Mr GR Rivers	Graham	2012
Mr AG Pink	Alastair	2002	Mr C Roberts	Charles	2008
Mr NC Pitt	Nigel L	2000	Mrs C Roberts	Clare	2001
Mr EJ Pleasance	Edward	1996	Sir IA Roberts	Ivor	1987
Mr JL Plesman	Jan L	1964	Lady EBB Roberts	Elizabeth	1987
Mr J Polatch	John S	1999	Mrs SLB Robinson (nee Myles)	Sarah G	1965
Sir GF Pollock Bt.	George GA	1946	Mrs D Robinson	Diane	2013
Mr JJH Pople	Jack	2011	Mr TRR Robinson	Tim	2013
Mr ND Pople	Nick	2002	Mr DG Robinson	David	2011
Mrs AS Pople	Ali	2002	Mrs ME Robinson	Maggie	2011
Dr GE Porter	Gwenda	2002	Mrs NJ Robinson	Nicola	2010
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