



# Thorough



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## EDITORIAL

As promised, the Spring newsletter arrives on time this year, although unfortunately without a careers page for the first time since we started the section in 2002. My editorial therefore starts with a call to all members for 500 - 600 word articles on their field of work and how they got there.

The careers page aims to help current scholars making their career choices and also to increase the networking between members of the Association. The page has solicited much positive feedback over the years and I believe it would be a shame to let it drop.

A new addition to the newsletter this year is the contribution from the Association's Honorary Historian Gerry Clark on page 3. Gerry examines the link between Kitchener and Cyprus.

On page 2, you will find the list of the 2004 Scholars and also news from two Scholars already well into their time at University. We welcome your contributions to the newsletter; please see print deadlines below.

I hope you enjoy your read.

*Emma*

Emma Sanders

## Print Deadlines

Please send your letters / emails / photos to Emma Sanders (contact details on page 3).

Submission deadlines :

1st March for the Spring Edition

15th September for the Autumn Edition

## EVENTS

### AGM and Annual Dinner

With the kind permission of the Officer Commanding, the 2005 Annual General Meeting and Scholars Dinner will be held on Friday 29th April, at the Inns of Court and City Yeomanry Officers Mess, Stone Building, Lincoln's Inn, London.

The Annual General Meeting will take place at 6.30pm followed by the dinner at 7pm. The cost for the four-course meal including wine is £35, with a reduced charge of £10 for all Scholars and their student guests.

There will be a vegetarian option available if requested in advance. A cash bar will be open from 6 pm. Dress black tie or lounge suit with medals.

Scholars who received their award in 2004, and the winner of the Lindsay Phillips Book Bursary, will be presented with their Certificates by Earl Kitchener during the evening.

There will be an opportunity before dinner for Scholars and their guests to visit the Inns of Court & City museum which is located in the stone building.

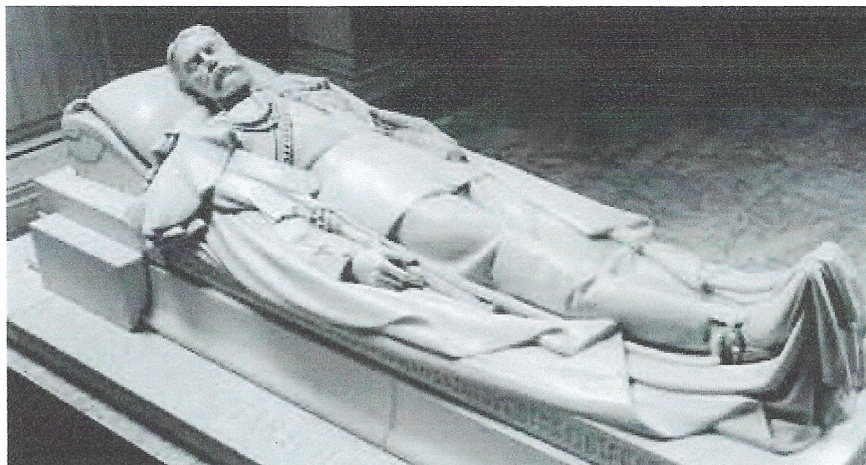
A pay to park facility is available in Lincoln Inn Fields and the nearest underground station is Chancery Lane.

Reservations should be accompanied by a cheque made payable to the Kitchener Scholars Association. Please let the secretary know by Monday 18th April if you will be attending the dinner.

### Kitchener Memorial Service

The annual memorial service for Field Marshal Lord Kitchener of Khartoum and the laying of a wreath will take place in St Dunstan's Chapel, St. Pauls Cathedral on Sunday 5th June at 2.30 pm. Refreshments will be provided following the service. Please advise the secretary by Monday 23rd May 2005 if you will be attending the service (contact details page 3).

Gerry Brierley



St Pauls

## KITCHENER SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS 2004

Ms C.E Balfour	Veterinary Science	Bristol
Ms N.D.Best	Classical Studies	Exeter
Mr C.E.J.Betteridge	Law	Oxford
Mr R.D.K.Broughton	International Relations	Lancaster
Mr C.J.C Bryan	Classical Studies	Oxford
Ms N.J.Buckley	Architecture	Cardiff
Ms A.E.Cook	Modern Languages	Cambridge
Mr A.P.W.Hibbert	Biological Science	Oxford
Mr C.G.C.Ingham	Politics & Theology	Bristol
Mr T.E.G.Manton	Sport & Exercise Science	Bath
Ms S.A. McNamara	Drama	Manchester
Ms V.M.L.Shallcross	Medicine	UCL
Mr J.M. Stanley	Geography	Exeter
Ms D.L.Randle	Bio- Chemistry	Newcastle
Ms R.E.Vassallo	Philosophy	Cardiff
Ms V.K.Ward	Biology	Imperial College
Mr S.D. Wolley	Medicine	Sheffield
Ms A.L.Macfarlane	History of Art	Glasgow
Ms H.S. Bannister	Music	Royal Holloway
Ms V.L. Bayly	History	Swansea
Ms R.S.Bones	Accountancy	Newcastle
Mr T.J.C. Brown	French&German	Edinburgh
Mr N.V.O Donnison	Law	Reading
Mr F.B.Irvine	Computer Science	Southampton
Mr S.C. Bryson	Business/Finance	Manchester
Ms R.C.M. Hughes	English	Oxford Brooks
Ms L.O. Hill	Physics	Birmingham

## ITEMS FOR SALE

### KSA ties

Dark blue or maroon ties printed with the KSA gothic "K"

£6 inc p&p

### KSA brooches £4

2cm diameter red enamelled brooches with gilt gothic "K"

£4 inc p&p

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(address on page 3)

## EMAIL

If you have not already done so, please let the Secretary know your email address (contact details on page 3).

## OBITUARIES

### David Beardsmore

Following graduation from Keble College, Oxford, David Beardsmore chose to follow a career in the textile industry. Initially working for a British company, Coates Vyella, mostly overseas. He later moved to an American Company, where he was responsible for developing a large textile mill in the Dominican Republic producing thread for the garment industry.

In late 2003, he sustained an injury to his foot which developed into septicaemia. David was airlifted to a hospital in Florida for specialist treatment but died of toxic shock at the age of 48.

## MEMBERS NEWS

*Jonathan Jones (KS 1994 University of West of England) writes, "having completed the 'education' part of my life I then spent a year in SE Asia reacquainting myself with my family out there. I then moved to London (as one tends to do) and worked for a Mobile Phone company for several years. Having got a little sick and tired of the rat race, I now reside in Walton-on-Thames and work in a 3 man strong IT business/ consultancy in West Byfleet and am also a partner in a retail shop and intend spending the next few years in leafy Surrey."*  
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*Tristan Lanes (KS 2000 Imperial College Medical School, London) writes, "I have now progressed into my 5th year of my 6 year medical course at Imperial, which includes final exams in paediatrics, psychiatry, and obstetrics and gynaecology. Over the past year I have completed a BSc in Medical Imaging, gaining a 2:1 degree*

with honours and winning the Hepburn Memorial Prize for Imaging. This culminated in a fantastic graduation at the Royal Albert Hall.

The return to clinical medicine has been a great relief and has lead to a redoubling of my effort in studying! It has also given me further exposure to my favoured field of surgery, orthopaedics.

Over the past few years my fencing career has included many excellent experiences. I am the current BUSA Men's Epee champion, following the championships in December. Last year I was British Men's Epee champion and attended both the World Championships in Cuba and the European Championships in France as a member of the senior team for the second year. I am an active member of the Sussex House Fencing Club and also enjoy playing hockey for the Medical School.

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## KITCHENER & CYPRUS

The association of Field Marshal 1st Earl Kitchener of Khartoum to Cyprus might initially surprise some readers. However, there is a link, albeit as long ago as 1878, the year that Cyprus was 'acquired' by the British as a potential 'Place of Arms'.

This action came after the Congress of Berlin ratified the Treaty of San Stefano bringing the 1877 war between Russia and Turkey to an end. This brought under British administration the island of Cyprus that had been conquered by the Ottoman Turkish Empire in 1571, after briefly being a province of Venice.

Backing the Ottoman Empire against the ambitions of an ever-expanding Russia was one of the keystones of Britain's imperial policy in the 19th century, as also was protecting the sea route to India. Dispatching Indian troops of the British Indian army to occupy Cyprus during the Russo-Turkish crisis was seen at the time as vital to Britain's interests.

Back in 1878, the 28-year old Herbert Kitchener arrived on the island in a key role. As a Royal Engineer Lieutenant, he had been surveying northern Palestine the year before. With Cyprus now under British administration, an accurate survey was needed and as Lieutenant Kitchener had completed his Palestine survey to everyone's satisfaction, he was seen as the ideal officer for the task in hand. Accompanied by a sapper subaltern he departed speedily for Cyprus and by the middle of October was joined by a small party of sappers with their equipment to begin the survey.

Although very often irritated by what he saw as the stupidities of the staff of the first High Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief of the island, Lieutenant - General Sir Garnet Wolseley (of Ashanti fame), John Pollock in his authoritative account\* of Kitchener's early career reminds us that Kitchener liked Cyprus and its people. However, his initial stay was to be much briefer than originally anticipated, when to his disgust the survey was suspended apparently due to grumblings about the expense involved.

But the halt was to prove temporary and within a year, Kitchener had returned to Cyprus. In the first six months, he and his team surveyed over 1000 square miles.

As John Pollock has observed, Kitchener's time in Cyprus won him plaudits, "from the Greek Orthodox church for his fairness and patience in land registration." Despite the pressure of being Land Registrar and Director of Survey of the island, Kitchener still found the time to develop an enthusiasm for collecting ceramics. He helped to found the Cyprus Museum and became its first secretary.

At the beginning of 1883, Kitchener bade farewell to the island and his map of Cyprus was published in April 1885. By then, he had become known as an officer with a fine physical presence and character, possessing a deep knowledge of his profession. Already fluent in French and German, he was soon to become an Arabic speaker. So, not surprisingly, he was among the 25 British officers selected for service in the new Egyptian army being created under the command of Sir Evelyn Wood VC. In his new role, he was appointed second in command of a cavalry regiment with the rank of Major.

This appointment was to prove the threshold of a truly remarkable career that eventually led him to becoming Commander-in-Chief of the Egyptian Army, Governor-General of the Sudan, Commander of the British forces during the South African (Boer) War, Commander-in-Chief of the army in India, British Agent and virtual ruler of Egypt and, 90 years ago, on the outbreak of World War 1, the Secretary of State for War.

It is very much a lifetime of unique achievements and triumphs that firmly established the Kitchener family motto, "Thorough."

Gerry Clark  
Honorary Historian

\* Kitchener - The Road to Omdurman

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