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I can't believe we're already three quarters of the way through Liverpool's European Capital of Culture year. You can really see how the city is changing thanks to the massive investment which has been attracted as a result of this accolade. The amount of cranes on the skyline seems to be slowly diminishing and many areas of the city centre have been completely transformed. Have a look at pages 6-7 for the latest news.

It's the same on campus too. The new Victoria Gallery & Museum is open, a massive landscaping project has been completed and, as you read this, students will be moving into the newly refurbished Engineering building on Brownlow Hill. The old tower has gone and a stunning glass structure has been created where it once stood, as well as at the rear of the building near the Quadrangle. We'll show you some new photos in the next issue once the work is finished.



Architecture is one of the things Liverpool is famous for and we thought it was the perfect time to

showcase the University's School of Architecture in *insight*. We have alumni who have really excelled in this field and you can read about them on pages 18-19.

Our graduates have also played their part in another landmark event this year – the Olympics. Our vets in particular have been using their expertise in China. Meet one of them, Keith Watkins, on page 10.

Thank you again to all alumni who have contributed to another bumper issue of *insight*. We're changing the publication dates in future (see below) but please keep telling us your news!

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Liverpool is a great place to live and work and I have been really pleased to have had the opportunity to meet so many alumni who have been tempted back to visit the city in its year as European Capital of Culture. Your stories, reminiscences and photographs never fail to demonstrate what a rich history the University has!

This coming academic year marks a change for the University, as we welcome the new Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Howard Newby. We have an exciting events programme planned, with new business talks hosted by the Management School, the Athletic Union's 125th Anniversary Sports Weekend and the Chancellor, Lord Owen being interviewed in his final year as Chancellor of the University by broadcaster Roger Bolton (BA Hons English Literature & Philosophy 1967). Take a look at the events pages at the back of the magazine for more details.

You will also see that we are changing the publication dates of *insight*, to January and June each year, which we hope will give you the best opportunity to stay in touch. The next issue of *insight* will be June 2009, so we will be sending regular updates and bulletins by email in the meantime. Please make sure we have your correct email address so you don't miss out. You can update this online (see page 38 for details) or by emailing alumni@liv.ac.uk

Finally, I want to congratulate all of our recent graduates on their success and to thank all of you who have supported the University recently, either through donating to the Benefactors' Fund or by getting involved through our events or volunteering opportunities. Your commitment to the University is much appreciated and I hope that many more of you will get involved this year.

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1 August saw the start of a new era at the University as Professor Sir Howard Newby became the institution's new Vice-Chancellor. He took time out from his hectic first weeks to tell *insight* about his plans for the future of the University.

Universities are not always good at talking about their priorities and I want to bring more focus to Liverpool about what they are.

I have five priorities. The first is to improve our research excellence. There is tough international competition and we need to attract and retain the most talented researchers.

Secondly, we need to position Liverpool as a genuinely global University. Good things are already happening. We have a campus in China but that alone does not make us a global university, although it does give us a platform and makes us quite 'distinctive'. We are also looking at developing a graduate school in India as a result of a major donation. These are just two examples of our global reach, but we need to build on this if we are to have a genuine global presence.

Thirdly, we want to give our students an international experience and we will embed that in the curriculum. This is about improving the student experience, in and out of the classroom, and that is how we will build up lifelong relations with our graduates as they join our alumni family.

The fourth priority is knowledge transfer. We need to create a sense of innovation in our students and there is also a huge opportunity to develop our work in Continuing Professional Development. We do not do nearly enough of that.

Finally, there is widening participation. We are really good at this and really committed to it. We are recognised as one of the leaders in this field but we need to build on it. We are not just doing this for our own benefit, it is for the benefit of the young people in our community.

I am a great supporter of widening participation. I came from a very modest background. I was the first in my family to pass my 11-plus, never mind go to University. My father worked at the Rolls Royce factory in Derby, so did my brother, and I probably would have worked there too had I not passed my 11-plus. I feel very strongly that everyone who has the ability should be able to go to university, whatever their background. This is one of the key messages which underpins our Benefactors' Fund. We are raising thousands of pounds to provide scholarships for future students.

The 21st century university is engaged with the wider world, not removed from it. Any university should ensure that it is completely at the heart of its community – locally, nationally and internationally. We need to implant a genuine sense of global citizenship in all our graduates. The benefits of that will be incalculable.

I am delighted to be able to greet you for the first time in this issue of *insight*.

I met a number of alumni in China, Liverpool and London this Summer, and what I have already found is the huge amount of affection that our graduates have for the University. The people I met spoke passionately about their time here and are fantastic ambassadors for the institution across the world. It is gratifying that so many of you are keen to stay involved in the University and its activities, and also to play a part in shaping its future.

Our alumni are extremely important to us – but we need to make sure that we are also important to you. In an era of lifelong learning, many of you will go back into education on one or more occasions after graduation. You will want to refresh your knowledge and update your skills and we want to aim to be your university of choice for your Continuing Professional Development (CPD).

Equally and oppositely, all universities need to retain the relationship with their alumni for fundraising, and networking, and also sympathetic professional advice when we need it. With your vast range of skills and expertise, you are all an incredible resource for us to tap into. This is not just about us asking you for financial help but, if you were to support our development in this way, there has never been a better time to give. The Government's new matched funding initiative (see page 14 for details) has made £200 million available to higher education institutions but we need private investment to allow us to claim our share of the money.

My predecessor, Drummond Bone, did a great job and it is now all about embedding the things he has achieved. One of my first challenges here at the University is the creation of a new Strategic Plan.

Professor Sir Howard Newby was born and brought up in Derby. He attended Atlantic College in South Wales, before studying for his BA and PhD at the University of Essex. Following graduation he became a Lecturer, and then Senior Lecturer in Sociology at the same University.

1979 Professor of Sociology and Rural Sociology at the University of Wisconsin

1983 Professor of Sociology at the University of Essex

1983 Director of the Economic and Social Research Council Data Archive and Rural Development Commissioner

1988 Chairman of the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)

1994 Chief Executive of the (ESRC). Appointed Vice-Chancellor of the University of Southampton

1995 Awarded a CBE for services to social science

1999 President of Universities UK

2000 Awarded a knighthood for services to higher education

2001 Chief Executive of the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE)

2006 Vice-Chancellor of the University of the West of England

2008 Vice-Chancellor, University of Liverpool

insight is changing!

We're moving the publication dates of your magazine so we can give you better notice about forthcoming events and alumni activities.

The next issue will be published in June, followed by one in January, so keep sending us your news and views. See page 43 for all our contact details.

E-newsletter launch

Stay in touch by signing up to our alumni e-newsletter. Simply register your details at www.liv.ac.uk/alumni and receive the latest news and events from the University, straight to your inbox. Next e-newsletter - WINTER.

Exciting future for materials research



Dr George Baxter, who opened the Centre, Professor Dominic Tidesley, Unilever and Professor Andy Cooper

A £9.6 million centre for the discovery of new materials for applications such as energy storage, medical equipment and consumer products has been launched within the Department of Chemistry.

The centre will be accessible to all businesses across the North West and UK and will enable small, medium and large industries across a range of sectors to move rapidly into the next generation of materials science.

Professor Andy Cooper, Director of the Centre for Materials Discovery, said: "Industries will have access to High-Throughput (HT) technology in the Centre which accelerates research by producing large numbers of materials and testing them in parallel. With HT techniques set to become standard tools in academia and industry over the next few years, the Centre will encourage UK businesses to take aspects of the technology in-house by offering training in HT methodology."

Developed in response to industrial and academic demand, the centre was supported by investment from the Northwest Regional Development Agency (NWDA) and Merseyside European Objective One funding.



The Princess Royal meets the Chancellor Lord David Owen, the former Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Drummond Bone and his wife Vivian, Vice-Chancellor Professor Sir Howard Newby and his wife Sheila

Gallery gets Royal seal of approval

The Princess Royal praised the University's 'enormous' contribution to the city when she officially opened the Victoria Galley & Museum (VG&M).

She toured the landmark Victoria Building, which has been transformed following an £8.6 million restoration project, and, as she unveiled a commemorative plaque, the Princess paid tribute to the University for 'bringing the collections into the light'.

The Princess was particularly interested in the robes worn by her grandmother, The Queen Mother, when she received an honorary degree from the University in 1958, and the skeleton of racehorse Manifesto, hailed as the greatest Grand National winner of all time.

Other guests included Liverpool-born Andy Burnham, Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, who said: "The University, its alumni and others deserve huge credit for having the foresight to invest in this."

The VG&M – the only gallery and museum to open in Liverpool's year as European Capital of Culture – was opened to the public in graduation week by Jacqueline Archer and Johanna Booth, who graduated with a BSc in e-business.



Liverpool is the only UK city outside London to have won a place at the world's biggest business event.

It is one of just 40 international cities to have a dedicated presence at World Expo 2010 in Shanghai. The event features leading cities and businesses and is expected to attract 70 million visitors, thousands of global industrialists and will be attended by world leaders.

The successful bid was made possible by the Liverpool-Shanghai Partnership, of which the former Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Drummond Bone, is the chair and the University is a partner. He said: "Liverpool's importance and standing in Anglo Chinese relations cannot now be underestimated.

"Liverpool was encouraged to make this bid by Shanghai's political leaders - and we

now know how well Liverpool is thought of in China. This is our opportunity to drive home the huge advantage of our twinning to position Liverpool as one of the prime locations in Europe for Chinese investment."

The University is one of 13 key stakeholders to have formed the Liverpool-Shanghai Partnership. The organisation exists to optimise the relationship between the two world-class cities, which will both be under an international spotlight for the next few years. The history between the two cities is already strong and exchanges have already been formed in terms of trade, culture and education – with a key driver being the University's partnership with Xi'an Jiaotong University in Shanghai in forming Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University.

Shanghai success



£1 million investment in dairy farm

Emphasising the University's commitment to animal veterinary education, Wood Park dairy farm at the University's Leahurst veterinary campus, Wirral, has undergone a major transformation.

The farm has been rebuilt to house 200 cows that are expected to produce in the region of 9,500 litres of milk per year. It is one of two farms on the campus which are used for education and applied research, the second

concentrating on sheep, beef cattle and pigs.

Dr Agnes Winter (BVSc 1965, PhD 1986), Head of the Department of Veterinary Clinical Science, said: "Liverpool has always been strong in farm animal veterinary education and takes advantage of the concentration of cattle and sheep within the North West.

"We want to encourage enthusiasm for farm studies by opening up the farm to school children for them to learn how

important and interesting the farming industry is. School children will be taught by academic and industry experts about food safety, selective breeding and animal husbandry."

The farm will also serve as a regional facility for the whole of the farming industry, with a meeting room available for farmers' groups, industry bodies and training courses for milking parlour maintenance technicians and agriculture merchants.



Expansion of online education

The partnership between the University and Laureate Online Education has been further extended with the launch of four new online programmes.

The new programmes include MSc degrees in Clinical Research Administration, International Management, Global Marketing, and Global Human Resource Management, all of which started admitting students in the Autumn, and many others are in the pipeline for 2009 and beyond.

The University has been offering online degree programmes for more than eight years. They are delivered in partnership with Laureate, a leading international provider of higher education services.

Professor Paul Leng, Director of the University's e-Learning Unit, said:

"Students often come to these programmes because this is the only way they can see to complete a higher degree, but they leave full of praise; more than 90% would recommend us. External examiners are equally complimentary and have described the programmes as 'a model of best practice' and 'a beacon for UK higher education'."

For more information visit <http://www.uol.ohecampus.com> *insight* readers should have received a leaflet about the University's online degree programme in this issue. If you did not, please email alumni@liv.ac.uk for a copy.

VETERINARY SCIENCE

An orthopaedic surgeon from the University's Small Animal Teaching Hospital has flown to Cameroon to perform groundbreaking surgery on a chimpanzee with a rare deformity.

Rob Pettitt, Clinician Teacher in Small Animal Orthopaedics, travelled to a chimpanzee reserve funded by the Cameroon Wildlife Aid Fund to treat Janet, a three year old



chimpanzee who was rescued from the pet trade in Cameroon. Janet's forearm was bent, causing her to walk on the inside of her hand.

Although the exact cause is not known, the deformity developed because

one of the bones in Janet's forearm, the ulna, stopped growing, forcing the radius to grow in a circular manner. Not only did this make it difficult for her to walk, but it also meant that she could not use this limb to climb.

Fortunately, the surgery was a huge success and Janet is now recovering at the reserve.

Rob said: "Janet's doing really well now and she's starting to use her hand properly. It is early days but she's making great progress."



ENGINEERING

Liverpool engineers have developed a better understanding of what causes aircraft and helicopters to be thrown off course when trying to land on ships.

In poor weather, aircraft operations can be severely limited, leading to unsteady vertical flows over the landing areas. Pilots sometimes call this their 'invisible enemy' as they can only guess where the danger areas are.

Using computer modelling, water tunnel and flight testing, Professor Gareth Padfield and his team have been able to gain a better understanding of what causes the extreme flow structures, and how ships might be redesigned to reduce their severity.

Professor Padfield, who is Head of the Department of Engineering and a world authority on helicopter flight dynamics, control and handling qualities, along with Professor David Bacon, Professor of Materials Science, have both been elected Fellows of the Royal Academy of Engineering this year. They are two of only 44 academics across the UK to be honoured in this way for their pioneering work in their respective disciplines.

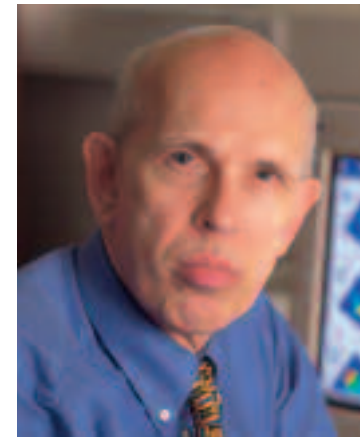


MEDICINE

A major initiative to improve the health of people in the Liverpool region has published its findings, and two members of the Faculty of Medicine have played a central role.

The 'Health is Wealth' Commission was established to address the disparity between the fast-growing economy of the city and the long-term poor health of its population, and Professor Ole Petersen CBE (below), from the School of Physiology, and Professor Cynthia Pine CBE, former Dean of the School of Dentistry, have been serving as key advisors.

The Commission identified six key themes that need to be addressed in the city: alcohol, smoking and diet; procurement; incapacity benefit; health at work; built environment and knowledge capital. From this they have developed a list of 'Big Ideas' to start tackling these issues, including the establishment of a world-class institute in Liverpool to study local health improvement, and a North West Worklessness Task Force to help people back into employment.



Backed by local authorities, Primary Care Trusts, the NHS, economic development agencies and business interests, the aim of the Commission is to target the £2 billion annual sickness cost to the economy and the health challenges that result in people in the area living seven years less than the UK average.

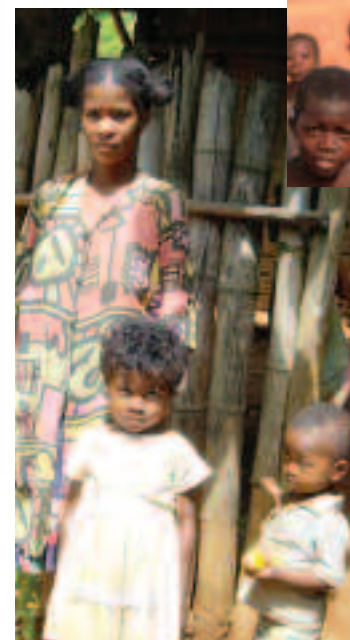


Researchers have been investigating the development of the Scouse accent and how it is represented through music, novels and film.

As well as addressing some of the problems encountered in tracing the origins of the accent, they also studied the inherent difficulties of describing it linguistically, and of making fictional characters sound authentically 'Scouse'.

Dr Andrew Hamer, from the School of English, said: "The Merseyside accent was first identified in the late 19th century, and it has been argued that it came about from a blending of Lancashire and Irish speech varieties. However, instead of becoming less distinctive as our kinship with Ireland decreased, the accent has actually become stronger.

"Merseysiders also claim that different areas of the region have slightly different Scouse accents, and this fascinating variety poses real challenges for linguists attempting to describe Merseyside speech."



SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The UK's economy cannot make a sustainable recovery until it breaks free of its dependence on oil, according to an expert from the Management School.

Simon Snowden, a lecturer in Operations Management, believes the accelerating cost of oil heralds the beginning of a supply 'plateau' where oil production peaks and demand for the commodity outstrips supply to such an extent that world economies begin to fail because of their dependence on it.

The price of oil and demand for the commodity has continued to rise for nearly 10 years, but this has not been matched with sufficient investment in supplies. In the past 12 months the price of oil has soared from just above \$50 to \$125 a barrel.

Simon Snowden said: "Unless we completely cut our dependence on oil, we could see years of almost non-existent growth for the UK economy. The cost of goods will rise even more sharply and the economy could stagnate into a recession. We desperately need to invest in alternative forms of energy and transport."

SCIENCE

Psychologists have found that 'Madonna-style' inter-country adoptions are causing a rise in the number of children going into orphanages.

The study highlighted that in countries such as France and Spain, people are choosing to adopt children from abroad rather than children in their own country.

This process has been labelled the 'Madonna-effect', so-called after the singer's high-profile adoption of a young boy from Malawi in 2006.

Professor Kevin Browne, from the School of Psychology, said: "Some argue that international adoption is a solution to the large number of children in institutional care, but we have found the opposite is true. Parents in poor countries are now giving up their children in the belief that they will have a better life in the west with a more wealthy family."

The researchers are recommending that more stringent guidelines for monitoring policy and practice are implemented to ensure that international adoption is only used as a last resort.

The city and the region are buzzing with European Capital of Culture activities – and the results of the massive investment the title has attracted are already starting to show.

Here are just a few.

Go SuperLamBananas!

More than 100 ceramic replicas of Taro Chiezo's iconic Superlambanana sculpture adorned the streets of Liverpool this Summer as part of a spectacular public art project.

Decorated by local community groups, businesses and sponsors, the sculptures were situated all over the city as well as a few rogues which were sited in the Wirral, Runcorn, Wales and London.

Three of them were on University sites, including 'Superstegbanana' at Ness Botanic Gardens and 'Superabbeyroadbanana' and 'SuperStudentBanana' on campus (pictured below).

Four Seasons Music Festival

Ness Botanic Gardens played host to the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra for an open-air Gala Concert which marked the highlight of their year-long Four Seasons Music Festival.

The programme included popular classical pieces by composers such as Tchaikovsky and Strauss and

culminated in a stunning fireworks display set to the tune of Goodwin's rousing 633 Squadron March.

In recognition of its continued success, Ness has recently been named 'Large Visitor Attraction' at the Mersey Partnership Annual Tourism Awards 2008 and 'Large Attraction of the Year' at the Visit Chester and Cheshire Tourism Awards, and was given a prestigious Gold Award for a display at the Royal Horticultural Society flower show at Tatton Park.

Welcome to Liverpool One

The new leisure and retail development Liverpool ONE is now open, comprising 160 new shops, cafés and restaurants, two new hotels, a 14-screen Odeon cinema and more than 600 apartments.

The development has been created by international property and investment company Grosvenor, owned by the Duke of Westminster, who is a supporter of the University. He is Patron of the Veterinary Development Campaign and heads the Westminster Foundation which has made major financial gifts to the Small Animal Teaching Hospital.

Situated in the heart of the city centre, Liverpool ONE spans a 42-acre area, which is roughly the size of 28 football pitches. The new district overlooks Chavasse Park, a landscaped green space designed for people to escape the hustle and bustle of the city.

One of the largest city centre regeneration projects in Europe, it cost more than £1 billion to build, creating up to 5,000 jobs. It was officially opened by the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh, recognising the cultural and economic significance that this enormous development is anticipated to have for the future of the city.

Plain sailing for cruise passengers

Liverpool's £19 million cruise liner terminal is now welcoming some of the largest ships in the world.

The terminal is located at Princes Dock and was built as an extension to the existing landing stage. It allows cruise ships of up to 350 metres to berth, encouraging tourism and boosting the local and regional economy.

Next year more than 23,000 passengers and one million new gross tonnage will visit Liverpool.

Klimt on show for first time

Tate Liverpool hosted the first comprehensive UK exhibition of the work of Gustav Klimt, one of the world's most significant and revered artists.

The Austrian symbolist painter was a prominent figure in the Vienna Art Nouveau movement during the 19th and early 20th century, and the exhibition boasted several of his most famous paintings and drawings, as well as examining his life and his influences.

Art centre opening

The Bluecoat, Liverpool's centre for contemporary art, has reopened its doors following a £12.5 million refurbishment.

One of the oldest buildings in Liverpool's city centre, the Bluecoat was originally established as a charity school in 1717. In 1907 it was commandeered by a group of artists known as the Sandon Group who displayed works by artists such as Cezanne, Gauguin and Picasso that had never previously been exhibited outside London.

Throughout the last century several prominent artists and performers have visited the Bluecoat, including Honorary Graduate Yoko Ono Lennon (LLD 2001), who held her first UK performance there and was one of the artists who featured in its relaunch show earlier this year.

The newly-designed building includes a new extension housing a suite of state-of-the-art exhibition rooms and a performance gallery. There are 12 artists in residence and other areas of the building are leased out to a host of creative professionals and retailers.

Pete comes back to his roots

Honorary Graduate Pete Postlethwaite (LittD 2006) is returning to Liverpool to star as King Lear at the Everyman Theatre this month.

Once described by Stephen Spielberg as 'the best actor in the world', Pete has starred in numerous blockbuster films including *The Lost World*, *Jurassic Park*, *The Usual Suspects* and *In the Name of the Father*, where his performance alongside Daniel Day-Lewis landed him an Oscar nomination.

The production, which is sponsored by the University, will be directed by Rupert Goold, who has recently finished a critically acclaimed West End production of *Macbeth* with Patrick Stewart.

Culture's positive impact on mental wellbeing

Researchers in the University's School of Population, Community and Behavioural Sciences have found that the city's European Capital of Culture projects have had a positive impact on the mental well-being of local people.

Experts held a number of workshops for Liverpool residents aimed at identifying the positive and negative effects of the projects. The research revealed that community events filled local people with pride and a renewed commitment to the city.

Helen West, from the Mental Well-Being Impact Assessment group, said: "On the whole, Capital of Culture programmes have had a very positive effect on mental health; negativity towards events and initiatives only arises when communities feel they have not been considered in the development of a scheme. Culture in Liverpool would not be what it is without its people and so it is important to include them at every level."



University's Celebration in Film
To commemorate Liverpool's year as European Capital of Culture, the University has produced a short film that celebrates the University's history and its contribution to the city. To view the film online visit www.liv.ac.uk/celebration

Highlights

from the year so far



Global Vision for Management School

Liverpool was once a main commercial gateway to the rest of the world, so it is understandable that the University's Management School is aiming to fly the international flag for the city once again.

Business and management programmes have been taught at the University in various forms since the endowment of a Chair in Commerce to the institution in 1917.

Throughout the department's history, its infrastructure has undergone many transformations, becoming the Department of Commerce and Economics, and later the School of Business Management, but it wasn't until 2002 that the current Management School was formed.

Since its inception, the Management School has developed a reputation for its cutting-edge teaching style. For example, the MBA curriculum is based around teaching themes rather than splitting programmes into traditional silos. This is something that is only now being replicated by many business schools across the world.

Leading the campaign to further strengthen the School's reputation, taking it to new global levels, is Professor Murray Dalziel, who was appointed as Director of the Management School 12 months ago.

Formerly Group Managing Director of Hay Group, a global management consultancy, with clients such as Unilever, PepsiCo, IBM, ICI and General Electric, Murray has brought with him an international perspective.

"My first impression of the School was that commitment to teaching and research was particularly high and the

enthusiasm from staff to continuously advance was tremendous," said Murray. "With more than 250 students enrolling in postgraduate programmes each year and the level of expertise we have here, Liverpool is up there with some of the leading business and management schools in the country and, for this to be recognised, it is just a matter of telling people about what we have.

"I see the School's alumni network as a pivotal driver in the achievement of this. The network is particularly strong and I've met many different graduates who are working all over the world in amazing roles. They are perfect examples of what studying at Liverpool can lead to."

He added: "Our aim now is to become a global player, but with a lot of relevance to the local community in Liverpool, so we have reviewed both our teaching and research from this viewpoint."

To support current research and teaching activity, the School is setting up three centres; the Centre for Enterprise Development and Entrepreneurial Leadership, the Centre for Innovation Leadership and the Centre for Growth. The centres will enable students and academics to work on a consultative basis, therefore improving the students' learning experience through practical application and enhancing the School's knowledge transfer profile.

Programmes have also been redesigned so as to meet the market demand.

Murray added: "The postgraduate programmes have been redesigned to focus on three types of students. The MSc

Management School credentials >

> More than 250 students enrol on postgraduate programmes each year

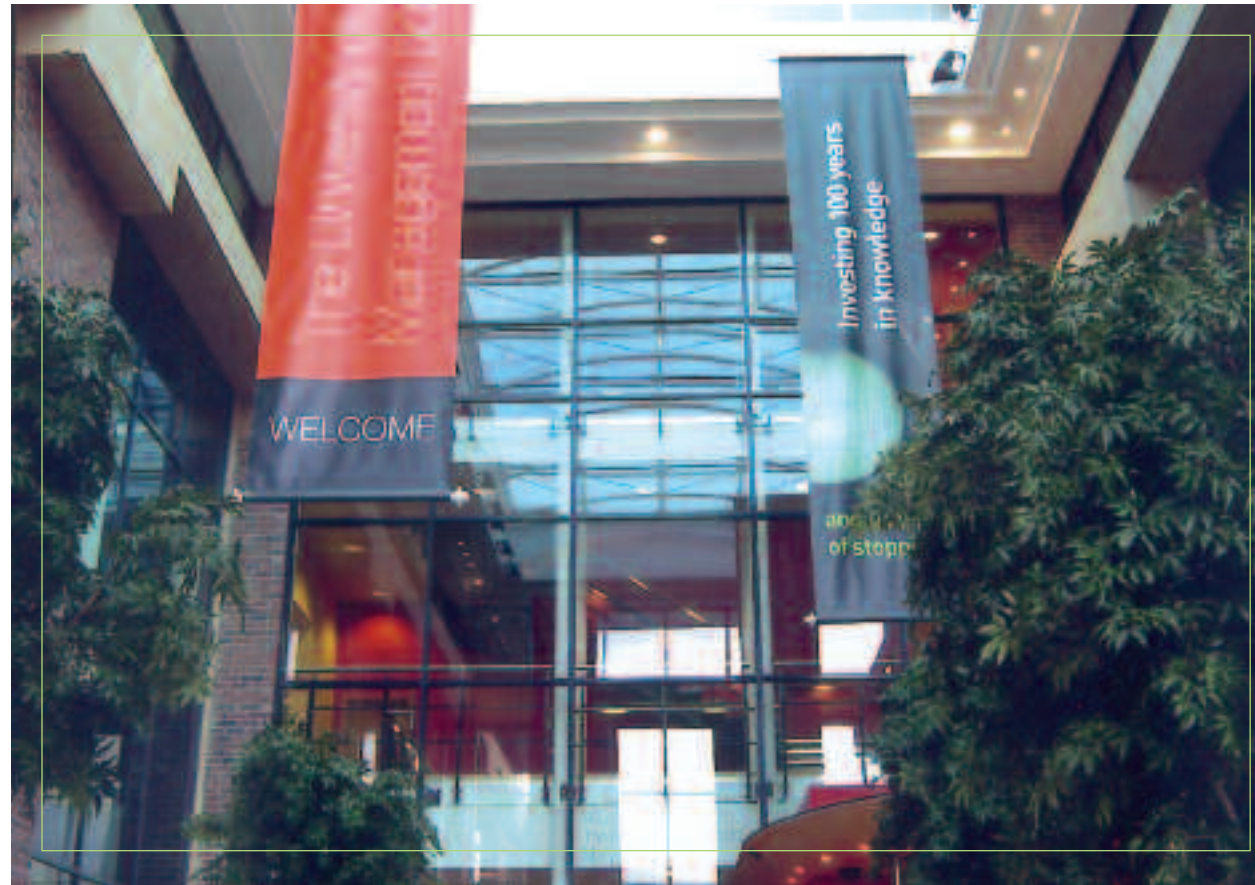
> Over 2,000 students from 162 countries are registered on the online MBA programme

> 85% of graduates are employed or in further study within six months of graduating

> Student entrepreneurship is encouraged through participation in national and international business competitions such as the IBM Universities Business Challenge and Students in Free Enterprise

> Guest speakers to the School last year included John Roberts, former CEO of United Utilities, Lewis Booth of Ford Motor Company and Maurice Flanagan, Executive Vice-Chairman of the Emirates Group

> The School is made up of 16 professors, 42 full-time members of academic staff, 24 members of research staff, along with more than 30 members of admin or support staff.



Professor Murray Dalziel



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For alumni news from the Management School see page 37

Management programme is aimed at those who have recently started out in their career or who are looking to switch career function. It is ideal for those who have an arts or applied technical background and want to move into management.

"Some of the programmes, such as Consumer Marketing, Human Resources Management and Supply Chain and Operations Management, have been developed for people who are working in a particular function and want to gain accreditation that further develops their knowledge in that area.

"The third type of programme, the MBA, is aimed at aspiring managers who have worked their way up through the workforce and want to increase their skills as a leader."

Through the University's partnership with leading higher education provider Laureate, these programmes are available to study as online degrees, as is the MBA, which is unique as it enables groups from across the world to work on projects in teams.

In 2009, a new Executive MBA will be launched, which will be geared towards accelerating the pace at which high-potential managers take the step to becoming executives. This programme has been developed in response to the worldwide shortage of would-be executives. When the current generation of executives leave their roles, there aren't enough people who are ready to fill the gaps. The part-time two-year course will be delivered at Liverpool and other locations across the globe, including North America, India and China.

Olympic odyssey

Do you have good memories of your time in Liverpool?

I thoroughly enjoyed the Sunday formal lunch at McNair Hall – suit, tie and gown and a glass or two of wine. This started the week with a nice touch of order and style – although it was often downhill from there on!

On another occasion at McNair Hall, where you had to go down quite a few steps into the foyer, a well-off medical student came home one night to find his fancy car parked there – it was totally unscathed. He obviously had good friends!

It was the practice of final year vet students who lived in at Leahurst to 'water bucket' other students' rooms. This entailed lodging a large drum of water at an angle behind the door and retreating out of the window, then waiting until the occupant returned! We never could catch one chap, but one night some of us distracted him while the rest dismantled his room and set it up in the hay barn at Leahurst, complete with text books open, desk light on and, if I remember correctly, a cup of coffee ready to drink! Another day, we put the anatomy skeleton of a horse on the operating table, intubated it and connected it to the anaesthetic machine, stuffed a pair of surgical overalls full of straw, sat one on the horse and assembled the others around it with instrument trays! And there was the time that we put a goat in someone's room! Yes, they were good times!

Were there any interesting characters?

One was Professor Ron Jones. At the end of one lecture on the planes of anaesthesia (I have forgotten how many there are – eight, nine or 10, I think), he said: "Right, if this topic comes up in the exam be sure to write down all planes of anaesthesia verbatim. However, when you are in practice just remember that there are only three important planes – awake, asleep and dead. The aim of a good anaesthetist is not to allow the animal to get into the third plane!"

I also remember Professor Geraint Wynn-Jones in a radiology tutorial. He held up an x-ray of a healed fractured pedal bone and asked one of our



Keith Watkins (BVSc 1974) was a key player in this Summer's Olympics and Paralympics, ensuring the safety of hundreds of horses which took part in the equestrian events as part of his role at the Hong Kong Jockey Club. He told Suzanne Elsworth how he went from his first job in a Herriot-style practice in Wales to leading equine care at one of the biggest events on the planet.

group if the animal would ever race again. "Yes, definitely," said whoever it was. Professor Wynn-Jones asked if our colleague would like any other information on the case but they said: "No need, I am quite happy with my prognosis." With that Professor Wynn-Jones produced, with a flourish, a second x-ray film which showed two digits – the animal was a cow! By way of explanation the original view had perfectly superimposed the two bovine digits to make them look as one, i.e. an equine digit! However, anatomically the digits of a bovine and an equine are different and 'educated' students would be expected to spot the difference!

Did you live in Halls?

The first year or two I was in McNair Hall. Then, after a couple of years spent in the freezing cold garret room of a Victorian student house with Ken Sibley (BVSc 1974), we moved into the newly opened Rankin Hall as Senior Students to provide some stability for new students – well everyone makes some mistakes! The fifth and final year was spent at Leahurst.

What did you do after graduation?

My first post was with Wes (Elvey) Evans, himself a Liverpool graduate, in Camarthen, West Wales. It was very much a 'James Herriot' style of practice, especially in the smaller hill farms. I went to Elvey for the Easter holidays to see if I liked the job. One very wet afternoon we had been dehorning some cattle when one of the beasts took off with me and I finished up completely covered in slurry. On the way home Elvey asked if I wanted a beer. While drinking the second pint he said: "Well, do you want the job then?" I replied: "I haven't had the interview yet." And he

said: "You have, just now, and you passed. You didn't let go of that steer and you can drink. You'll do!"

Eventually, I directed my sights to my main interest, horses, though after I left, a local dairy farmer trained a horse, Norton's Coin, which won the 1990 Cheltenham Gold Cup with odds of 100-1!

What was your first equine job like?

It was with an eminent equine practice in Royal Berkshire, Scott-Dunn & Ward, and one of its clients was the Royal family. Late one Saturday night I was called to Buckingham Palace but took the wrong exit off Hyde Park Corner. I asked a group of policemen for directions and, after much suspicious questioning because I was dressed pretty shabbily and driving a grubby aging Ford Cortina, they gave me a motorcycle escort to the Royal Mews. I told them that one of the Queen's carriage horses had colic and would probably die if they didn't stop asking silly questions. I didn't have to remind them of the possible adverse effects on all our careers!

On another occasion, Peter Scott-Dunn posted me on duty for three days at Windsor Castle Mews with a great big grey called Frobisher who we had to put in a sling because he couldn't stand. Periodically I had to catheterise his bladder. His condition, azoturia, gave his urine a dark 'Guinness' appearance. Her Majesty would visit daily and I must be the only person ever to have shown the monarch a bucket of p***. She always asked such intelligent and inquisitive questions!

What took you overseas?

Six years of long hours and not enough deposit for a mortgage on a house, plus a sense of adventure and,

of course, a financial carrot, lured me to the last great colony of Great Britain - Hong Kong. Initially I was a hands-on clinical and regulatory veterinary surgeon. Now I act as a Consultant Regulatory Veterinarian to the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

How long have you worked at the Hong Kong Jockey Club?

Since 1981. We've stayed a little longer than planned! My wife, Wendy, and I had fully expected to be back in Blighty by now looking after our planned smallholding, riding school and equine veterinary practice. We like the climate here – well, most of the time. It is great for outside activities such as walking and water sports, I learned to scuba dive here, and the opportunities for business and holidays in the Asia region, and around the world, have been a special bonus. And, of course, working for the Hong Kong Jockey Club has enabled me to contribute professionally in many ways to the veterinary aspects of the horse-racing industry, both nationally and internationally.

How did your involvement in the Olympics come about?

Beijing was unable to host the Equestrian Events of the 2008 Olympic and Paralympic Games due to equine quarantine protocol issues. Hong Kong however, has a long established, documented and officially recognised equine health status, enabling the import of horses from and export of horses to, many countries. As a result the Hong Kong Jockey Club offered to fund and construct the equine related facilities for the Games and also became closely involved in the management of the events by sharing its technical expertise and specialist manpower.

For many years I have been the International Equestrian Federation Contact Veterinarian and an Event Veterinarian for Hong Kong. I have also been closely involved with the import and export of horses in and out of Hong Kong, as well as designing, implementing and managing equine quarantine protocols, procedures and facilities in close liaison with the Government's Agriculture, Fisheries & Conservation Department – the territory's regulatory veterinary authority. I am also the Chairman of the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities International Movement of Horses Committee and I have worked to facilitate the safe international movement of racehorses to compete in races – especially on a multi-country circuit.

What were the main quarantine challenges for the Games?

The main issue has been dealing and liaising with the multitude of people and organisations both nationally and internationally that have inevitably become involved in the Olympic events, because they are exactly that – Olympic.

On the technical side, the biggest challenge undoubtedly is addressing and managing the quarantine issues posed by having more than 300 overseas horses stabled, exercising, training and competing in close proximity to the Hong Kong Jockey Club's racehorse population for a period of six weeks or so. Ensuring the disease free health status of both populations of horses is vitally important.

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What do you think will be the lasting impact of the Games for China?

I cannot speak for all the sports but during the past few years of preparation in Hong Kong I have seen a massive 'coming together' of all sorts of people. Hopefully these events will leave a legacy of team work, co-operation, good-will and camaraderie which will spill over into every day work, business and most importantly, life.

What plans do you have after the Olympics?

I have had a wonderfully interesting and rewarding veterinary career which, in no small part, is due to the grounding, training, teaching and experience gained from the University of Liverpool. I hope I have contributed in a practical way to promoting good ethical veterinary practice which has been to the benefit of the horse.

I officially start retirement on 1 January and Wendy and I have had a villa built in Cyprus next to the Akamas National Park and Peninsula, a wild and protected nature reserve. Naturally horses will never be far away and Wendy, who has spent her life living and working with horses, is already getting organised in Cyprus in that respect – and no doubt I shall not be far behind her!

Dave Brailsford (BA Hons Combined Studies 1991) rose to fame at this year's Olympics.

The Performance Director of the British Olympic cycling team watched his team race to receive 14 medals – eight of them gold. Dave was a keen cyclist during his time at Chester College, where his degree was awarded by the University, and has now seen his love of two wheels earn him praise from across the world.



The Beijing Paralympics offered the chance of a lifetime for graduate Matt Dimbylow (BSc Hons Human Movement Science 1992, MPA Masters in Public Administration 1995).

He was chosen to play for the English football team – despite only discovering in March that he was eligible for the squad.

Matt is no stranger to the national game. He represented England School Boys and English Students at Football, but after a head trauma in 2003 left him with brain damage and a condition called Extrapryamidal Syndrome, he thought his sporting career was over.

Then a chance conversation led to a trial at Lilleshalle, then a trip to the Ukraine to play in a pre-Olympic classification tournament, before his selection was confirmed for Beijing.

Matt said: "In less than three months I have gone from armchair pundit to elite athlete. It has been a lot of hard work. I live and train in Sandiway, Cheshire where you can often find me pounding the streets with my mentor Bernie Jones. Without his support in getting me to stick to my conditioning programme I would not have gone to the Games.



One of the newest members of the University's alumni community also played a part in the Olympics and Paralympics. Caterina

Termine (BVSc 2008) was working in Hong Kong and was also involved in ensuring quarantine issues were under control. Her application to work at the Games was helped by her ability to speak French, Italian and Spanish.

Doctors at Events

Three graduates of the School of Medicine flew to China to teach Olympic medics how to handle potentially life-threatening injuries at the equestrian games.

Merseyside-based specialist registrars Dan Perry (MBChB 2003), Dr Clare Hammell (MBChB 2003) and Dr Ted Adams (MSc Ethics of Healthcare 2002) have formed a company called Doctors at Events, bringing together their individual expertise in trauma and pre-hospital care.

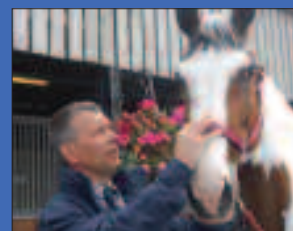
The team has designed a tailor-made course, showing off the most advanced techniques for handling injuries suffered by Olympic competitors

in horse-riding events. Earlier this year they flew to Hong Kong to deliver the three-day Emergency Care at Equestrian Events (ECEQE) course in conjunction with the Medical Equestrian Association and Olympic officials.

The course is one of the first to train medics specifically for equestrian events. It is targeted at health care professionals and aims to improve the initial assessment and management of injured riders, dealing with issues such as airway management, circulation, shock, head injury, spinal immobilisation, fracture management and patient transport.

Top University team supported Games

Three members of University gave their expertise and support to the equestrian teams competing in this year's Olympic and Paralympic Games.



Peter Bowling (BVSc 1997), Lecturer and Clinical Director of the University's Equine Hospital, led a team of vets from around the world to look after

the welfare of the horses competing in the Paralympic Games. They provided general veterinary care including looking out for signs of exhaustion and dehydration due to the hot climate.

Ian Hughes, a farrier who visits the Equine Hospital weekly to train students and fit specialist horseshoes, was also part of the team. He supervised a group of farriers for both the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Two tons of horseshoes were delivered to the racecourse to cater for the needs of more than 300 horses.



Louise Lyons is a client at the Philip Leverhulme Equine Hospital and was chosen to be part of the Irish three-day event team competing in the Olympics. Louise's horse Watership Down was looked after by the University's Equine Hospital yard supervisor, Jayne Tansey.



The University awarded an honorary degree to its Vice-Chancellor this Summer, marking the end of a successful six-year tenure as the head of the institution.



The former Vice-Chancellor received a knighthood in the 2008 Queen's Birthday Honours List.

Professor Sir James Drummond Bone, who retired from his post as Vice-Chancellor in September, received the award for his services to higher education (HE) and the regeneration of the North West.

Since coming to Liverpool in 2002, Sir Drummond oversaw a tremendous period of growth. The clear mission of the University as a research-led institution, which also gave great emphasis to widening participation and fair access, and the consequent strategy 'invest, collaborate and grow', saw considerable developments for academic staff and in the quality, range and volume of research activity across the University. A wide range of capital projects were launched, including multi-million pound investments in the Faculties of Medicine, Veterinary Science and Engineering, and in the Library and the restoration of the Victoria Building to create the Victoria Gallery & Museum.

Sir Drummond actively campaigned to raise the profile of the University locally, nationally and internationally and has made a significant contribution to HE. As well as the Presidency of Universities UK, he served on a number of Boards associated with HE, on the CBI's Science and Innovation Committee, and continues to work as an advisor to the government on HE matters.

Formerly Principal of Royal Holloway College and Vice-Principal of the University of Glasgow, Sir Drummond is a Professor of English Literature, internationally renowned for his work in Romantic Studies, particularly Byron. He is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh.

The other honorary graduates are:

1. Brian Aldiss OBE is one of the greatest science fiction writers of our time and has also found success as a poet, essayist and literary historian. In 1958 he was named 'Most Promising New Author' and, since then, he has produced numerous short stories, novels and anthologies.

2. José Manuel Barroso is the former Prime Minister of Portugal and is President of the European Commission. He is a hugely influential and successful political figure, winning his first senior government post aged just 29, and becoming Prime Minister in 2002. He was officially appointed 11th President of the European Commission in 2004.

3. Lord Derby is the 19th Earl of Derby. Educated at Eton, he became a merchant banker before the family's Stanley Estate was passed to him in 1994. It includes Knowsley Safari Park and Knowsley Hall, as well as the Stanley House Stud. Lord Derby is involved with numerous charities and is President of Knowsley and Liverpool Chambers of Commerce.

4. Maurice Flanagan CBE (BA General Studies 1950) is Executive Vice-Chairman of Emirates Airline and Group. Following national service in the RAF, he worked for British Airways from 1953-1978, before joining DNATA, the Middle East's largest non-airline travel business. He was invited by the

Dubai Government to establish Emirates, and became its founding CEO in 1985.

5. Professor Jean Fréchet is a scientist whose research into organic and polymer chemistry has not only led to the development of smaller, faster computer chips which have revolutionised computer technology, but also more recently to new drugs that can be targeted to specific organs within the body, significantly improving the treatment of colon cancer.

6. Declan McManus, or Elvis Costello as he is known professionally, is a singer-songwriter from a Merseyside family. He has collaborated with Burt Bacharach, Paul McCartney and Tony Bennett, and helped to produce and champion well-known acts including The Specials and The Pogues. He was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2003.

7. Rick Parry (BSc Hons Mathematics 1976) is Chief Executive of Liverpool Football Club and former head of the FA Premier League. He assisted with Manchester's Olympics bids and oversaw the development of the Premier League into one of the top professional football competitions in the world. He was appointed Chief Executive of Liverpool Football Club in 1998.

8. Trevor Phillips OBE is Chair of the Equality and Human Rights Commission. After becoming the first and only black president of the

National Union of Students, he worked his way up to become Head of Current Affairs at London Weekend Television. He became Chair of the London Assembly in 2000 and was appointed to his current post in 2003.

9. Emeritus Professor David A Price Evans (BSc Hons Physiology 1948, MBChB 1951, MSc 1957, MD 1959, PhD 1965, DSc 1981) is a former Professor and Chair of Medicine of the University of Liverpool. His research has been fundamental to the development of pharmacogenetics, anticipating the advent of 'personalised medicine'. He has given generously to the University, endowing two chairs in the Faculty of Medicine.

10. The Rt Hon the Lord Rees is President of the Royal Society. After completing a doctorate at the University of Cambridge, he went on to become Plumian Professor of Astronomy. His research deals with cosmology and astrophysics, particularly gamma ray bursts and black hole formation. In 2004 he was appointed Master of Trinity College Cambridge.

11. Lord Sainsbury of Turville is the former Chief Executive of the famous supermarket chain, and an ex-Labour science minister. Graduating from the University of Cambridge, he went on to receive an MBA from Columbia University, then eventually became Chief Executive of Sainsbury's. He was created a Life Peer in 1997 and was appointed Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Science in 1998.



Giving circles

The University has launched four new 'giving circles' to recognise the generosity of its philanthropic donors.

All those belonging to these new groups will be invited to an annual special event, receive a donor newsletter to keep them up to date with how their money is being spent and, those who have given in excess of £1,000, will be given a specially commissioned gold commemorative pin.

Each circle recognises the different level of contributions a donor has made.

The Hartley Circle is named after Sir William Hartley who funded the Victoria Building clock which first chimed on 15 November 1892. He established the famed jam company in Aintree. This circle will acknowledge all donors who

have given more than £100 in the financial year.

The Waterhouse Circle is named after Alfred Waterhouse, the renowned 19th century architect who designed the Victoria Building and the former Royal Liverpool Infirmary. All donors who have given in excess of £1,000 in one financial year will belong to this circle.

The Vice-Chancellor's Circle will acknowledge all donors who have donated £5,000 or more, while the Chancellor's Circle will honour all donors who have given over £25,000 in a financial year.

From 22 – 28 September 2008 a special week was held, in conjunction with other universities, which aimed to raise the profile of philanthropic support in higher education. Donors were given pin badges by their alma mater to show their support. Liverpool's pin featured the shield from the University's logo.



Match-funding boost

There's never been a better time to give to the University thanks to the Government's new £200 million match funding initiative.

The Voluntary Giving initiative is designed to encourage universities to increase their fundraising efforts and stimulate more interest from individuals and private investors.

The current level of giving across the sector, as indicated by the latest Ross Group survey of philanthropy, is now more than £200 million a year, with more than 50 higher education institutions active in fundraising.

The additional funding will mean that the University can maximise the benefits of philanthropic gifts, large and small, made by individuals, charitable trusts and foundations, as well as companies, in support of the institution's strategic priorities. This will allow the University to become more financially independent, enabling it to have greater control over its future direction.

Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Howard Newby, said: "The Government injection of £200 million over three years is intended to stimulate additional private cash donations to the sector of £400 million, meaning a total of £600 million could be generated. The Voluntary Giving initiative will be of great benefit to the University and I hope to encourage an even greater number of donors to support their institution."

The University's Development team is playing a part in helping to improve the University for its students and staff – not simply through its multi-million pound campaigns to improve buildings, facilities and services, but also helping individuals achieve their potential through scholarships and bursaries.

No two weeks are ever the same for the fundraisers. Development Manager Katie Davis told *insight* about one of her busy days.

A DAY in the life

7am - Train down to London to meet some alumni. I'm usually in London once a month, as well as getting out and about elsewhere in the country, and I like to cram my trips to see as many people as possible. The journey provides a good opportunity to re-read some research ahead of my meetings.

9.30am - Breakfast meeting with a firm that does lots of work with universities who want to set up their own charitable foundation in the United States. We're keen to make this happen this year. It will really help the University's strategic plans there, including making it easier for alumni to support the University tax efficiently. One of our Development Foundation members joined me which was a great help as he's worked in the US and is familiar with the way things operate.

11am - Mad dash across the capital to a meeting with one of the big charitable foundations. It's given us a number of significant grants over the years. I was able to give the Director an update on our fundraising progress and outline the plans for one of the projects it is supporting.

12.30pm - Feel very encouraged by the last meeting. Seems there may be some interest in another one of our other medical projects too.

1pm - Lunch with an alumnus who has offered to help organise a reunion event in London, to reach those who graduated pre-1990. He believes it will really help encourage them to re-engage with the University. Lots of great ideas flowing, but we agreed that it would be critical to choose a venue that would appeal to busy people!

2.30pm - Meeting with Rosemary, an alumna, who now lives in Highbury.

She requested a legacy brochure earlier this year and I suggested we meet the next time I was in London.

3.30pm - Remarkable lady and fascinating to hear her stories of the University in the 1950s! We discussed how bequests are an increasingly important and valued part of the University's drive to grow its philanthropic income. She's kindly agreed that we can publicise her decision to include the University as a beneficiary in her will, in the hope that others will think about doing the same. That's fantastic news.

4pm - Off now to see an alumnus who responded to our questionnaire as I think he may be willing to support our Engineering project. I called in advance to explain the purpose of my visit and I think he's curious but also nervous of my intentions!

5pm - Really helpful meeting. He can't help financially this year but our relationship with alumni is about networking and he had loads of good ideas about where else we might try and he's willing to put us in touch with people he knows. He's also going to try to get us an appointment with

his company as he thinks they might be interested in our vision of the 'Liverpool Engineer'.

6.30pm - I timed my trip to coincide with our Alumni Reception at the House of Commons. I'm hoping to find (among the 200 guests!) two people who benefited from an Alumni Scholarship. The University's Chancellor said some really helpful things in his welcoming speech, particularly about the importance of the University becoming more financially independent. The Government's match funding scheme is going to be a great help – we need to raise at least £9 million over the next three years from trusts, foundations, alumni and other individuals which is quite daunting, but today has left me feeling really encouraged about the potential.

9pm - Last train back to Liverpool. Exhausted, but I'd better write up my notes while I've got some peace on the train! I met a great alumnus

tonight and asked why he supports the University. He said: "Two reasons. One, because I was asked, and two, because a large part of what I have achieved, professionally and personally, is thanks to my time at the University." It was a simple explanation but really reminded me why this job is so rewarding.

If you would like to know more about the University's fundraising work email: development@liv.ac.uk or call +44 (0)151 795 4637.



Development Managers
Katie Davis and
John Dennis

A piece of history is unveiled



A memorial to Captain Noel Chavasse has been unveiled at a service in Abercromby Square. The bronze memorial depicts Captain Chavasse and a Liverpool Scottish stretcher bearer attending a wounded soldier.

Captain Chavasse was the only soldier to be awarded the Victoria Cross twice in the First World War. Son of the Bishop of Liverpool, he was also a medical student at the University. He lived at No 19 Abercromby Square as a boy.

As a surgeon-lieutenant, Captain Chavasse rescued wounded men from No-Man's Land under heavy fire, sometimes just 25 yards from enemy lines. He saved the lives of more

than 20 men before being honoured with his first Victoria Cross. He was awarded the second posthumously for the rescue and treatment of soldiers during conflict in Belgium while mortally wounded himself.

Around 1,000 people attended the unveiling of the memorial which is dedicated to Captain Chavasse and 15 others who were awarded the Victoria Cross between 1857 and 1917 all born in the city.

Most of the £120,000 cost of the memorial has been raised by the Noel Chavasse VC Memorial Association, though the last £10,000 is still to be found.

Chairman of the Association, Bill Sergeant, said: "This memorial reminds us of the past, but it can also be an inspiration for the future. We can be assured that future generations will be reminded of the contribution our heroes made, and the principles for which they fought."

The memorial - created by Tom Murphy, whose other work includes the Bill Shankly statue at Liverpool FC - will remain at Abercromby Square for three years.

Anyone wishing to support the fundraising appeal for the memorial should send a cheque made payable to NCVVMA c/o Alumni Office, University of Liverpool, Foundation Building, Brownlow Hill, Liverpool L69 7ZX.





Lord Owen, Lady Sainsbury, Professor Kelvin Everest and Matthew Clough, Director of the Art and Heritage Collections, on the grand stairwell of the Victoria Gallery & Museum



Janet Pell from the National Wildflower Centre, Lady Sainsbury and Grant Luscombe

University's VIP visit

Lady Anya Sainsbury met University staff and alumni on a trip to Liverpool this Summer.

She was visiting projects which have benefited from grants from the Linbury Trust, the charitable foundation created by Lord and Lady Sainsbury of Preston Candover in 1973. Since then the Trust has made grants totalling more than £100 million.

On campus, Lady Sainsbury met the team at the Victoria Gallery & Museum, which has received £100,000 from the Trust. She received a tour of the new venue which has undergone an £8.6 million transformation.

Lady Sainsbury then travelled to the National Wildflower Centre, founded by the Landlife charity, which has also received a Linbury Trust grant.

Landlife was set up in 1975 by Grant Luscombe CBE (BSc Hons Physical Geography/Geology 1974), Graham Hale (BSc Hons Physical Geography/Geology

1973) and Sue Sawyer (BSc Hons Physical Geography/Geology 1974). It is a registered environment charity, working mainly in urban and urban fringe areas, to bring nature and people closer together.

By using simple wildflower mixes, based on common core species, Landlife aims to create wildlife areas which have sustainable links to their communities. Grant Luscombe is now the organisation's Chief Executive and is based at the National Wildflower Centre, set up by Landlife, on the outskirts of Liverpool.

The charity's main objectives are to develop and support creative conservation sites, bring people and wildlife closer together, promote better understanding of wildflowers and wildlife, and address the issue of climate change. If you would like to know more visit www.landlife.org.uk

Overwhelming response to Benefactors' Fund

The first year of the University's Benefactors' Fund has raised a significant £175,000 to directly benefit students.

The University launched the Fund as part of an Annual Giving Programme back in June 2007. UK alumni were contacted through direct mailings and telephone campaigns with an amazing response.

Annual Giving Manager, Dr Lisa Hannah-Stewart (BSc Zoology 1997, MSc Evolutionary Psychology 1999, PhD 2004), said: "Our aim is to provide an unrestricted income source which can be used to directly enhance the student experience, whether that be through the provision of scholarships and bursaries or helping to provide new laboratory equipment.

"The response we have had from our graduates has been absolutely fantastic. We have been truly overwhelmed by their generosity."

Lisa added: "Some really interesting giving patterns have emerged over the year. We've found that donors from our direct mail campaigns are more inclined to give to areas of greatest need, but after the telephone campaigns we saw a definite peak in the number of donations to scholarships and bursaries. We hope this reflects the positive attitude of our



Spring 2008 student caller team

student callers. I know my calling team really enjoys being able to share stories with our graduates and, judging by the many letters I receive, along with the returned donation forms, I know our alumni enjoy the experience too."

Lisa met with some of the donors at an exclusive reception during September's Alumni Reunion Weekend in Liverpool. She said: "This was a real highlight for me. It was a chance to actually meet people who had given to the University

and to share in their genuine enthusiasm. It was a pleasure being able to relay good news about where their money had been used and I think they enjoyed meeting some of the students who had benefited from scholarships this year."

The next phase of the Benefactors' Fund is a further telephone campaign during October and November. Alumni will be able to direct their gifts to three core areas, scholarships, bursaries and student hardship, along with a special

fund which will directly benefit the Library. This will help to provide extra books, journals and learning support.

Lisa added: "As a graduate of the University myself, I realise just how important these facilities are. I probably spent more time in the Harold Cohen Library than anywhere else on campus and so I understand the need for improving this service.

"This campaign will be our first under the new match-funding voluntary giving scheme, which means that for every £3 donated, the University will receive a further £1 from the Government. This is coupled with Government's decision, following the drop in the income tax rate, to provide transitional relief for charities and other organisations claiming Gift Aid, so the University will continue to receive a total of 28 pence per pound donated. Quite simply, there has never been a better time to become a donor."

If you would like more information about the Benefactors' Fund please contact Lisa (pictured right) at lisa.hannah-stewart@liv.ac.uk or call +44 (0)151 795 4638.



Helping tomorrow's students – John and Brenda's stories

The University benefits greatly from the generosity of its alumni and friends. Here are the stories of just two of the kind benefactors who are directly supporting the students of today and tomorrow.

John D Hamilton

Former Liverpool City Council leader John Hamilton has generously left his entire estate to the Centre for Lifelong Learning - a sum of almost £300,000.

Born in Wavertree in 1922, John was elected to Liverpool City Council in 1958. A respected Liverpool teacher and headmaster, he put great value on education as a means of social and cultural advancement, becoming a passionate advocate of the comprehensive system.

Councillor Joe Anderson, leader of Liverpool's Labour Group and a close friend of Mr Hamilton's, said: "His whole life was dedicated to education – it was his passion. John always wanted to make sure the city's future was secure, so this donation just sums him up."

The Centre for Lifelong Learning offers courses to people aged 18 to 95, skills training and employment advice for students and professional development for University staff.

Dr Anne Merry, the Centre's director, said: "We will use this money to honour John's belief in building links between the community and higher education. Our team will run lecture series for the public, will support student volunteering in the local community, develop research projects around educational issues, and will also be offering small bursaries for access to Continuing Education courses."

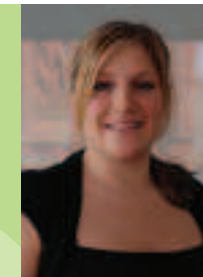
Brenda Thomas

Sociology graduate Brenda Thomas has bequeathed a donation to encourage postgraduate study in the School of Sociology and Social Policy.

The £160,000 gift will be used to set up The Brenda Thomas Bursary. It is designed to offer opportunities to people wishing to study at postgraduate level, who come from, or who are based in, Liverpool and Wirral. The scheme will aim to support students who would not otherwise be in a position to fund postgraduate study by their own means.

Brenda, who was born in Birkenhead in 1931, won a scholarship to the University of London, graduating with a BA in Philosophy in 1953. She then began a Diploma in Industrial Sociology at the University of Liverpool. She was employed as a research worker which led to an MA in Industrial Relations, and then, in 1963, she moved to the US to work for two years as a research assistant at the Institute of Industrial Relations at the University of California, Berkeley. When she returned to the UK, she became a researcher at Cardiff University and then later at the University of Bradford.

Brenda asked her friend and financial advisor, Derek Stevens, to administer her estate and he chose the University of Liverpool as the beneficiary due to his belief that this is what Brenda would have wanted. He said: "Brenda was concerned that talented students on Merseyside should not miss the opportunity to progress in higher education, especially those from a less privileged background. The University of Liverpool is committed to widening participation and I am sure Brenda would be pleased that its students will benefit from the new bursary scheme."



Zofia Sochanik (BSc Zoology 2002) is the University's Development Officer who assists those wishing to leave a legacy to the institution.

She said: "I speak to lots of different people about the plans they are making to support the University of Liverpool, from a simple request for information on the University's charitable status right through to more complex arrangements with Faculties on how to set up an endorsed scholarship or bursary.

"It is always a huge pleasure to talk to our many supporters, friends, alumni and staff and find out what it is that inspires them to give back in a such personal and considered way to the University of Liverpool."

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“To reflect on the history of the School of Architecture is to discover a microcosm of British 20th century architectural influences and values.”

David Thistlewood, Liverpool School of Architecture Centenary Review, 1995

Innovation, inspiration, and an influence on the world

For more than 100 years, the University's School of Architecture has gradually established itself as a centre of excellence in architectural research and education, producing some of the finest and most acclaimed designers of the last century.

And as the city undergoes some of the biggest architectural changes and challenges in its history, there's exciting times ahead for the School's staff and students.

Opened in 1895 by the first Roscoe Professor of Architecture, Frederick Moore Simpson, the School of Architecture and Arts - as it was then known - was



Leicester University Engineering Faculty - James Sterling

originally concerned with the teaching of painting, sculpture, fine plasterwork, stained glass, carpentry, ironwork and enamelling.

But Simpson had other ideas; with his own interests leaning towards classicism, he forged links with American architectural practices, and gradually shifted the focus away from the predominantly stylistic approach of the early years to a move towards Arts classicism and a more pronounced interest in architecture. By 1900 he had set up the first BA Honours course in Architecture, which was validated by the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) in 1902.

In 1905, the School split into two, with the Applied Arts half merging with the School of Art in Hope Street, leaving Architecture within the University. Then, when Simpson's successor Sir Charles Reilly assumed his position, he promptly persuaded wealthy soap manufacturer WH Lever to finance the study of town planning and landscape architecture. As a result, it was decided that a Department of Civic Design should be created within the School of Architecture, the first of its kind in the country.

Throughout the history of the School, a variety of architectural styles have developed, many of which can be clearly defined, and reflect the changing landscape of Liverpool over the years. It has produced an impressive six RIBA Gold Medal winners among its graduates and staff, and boasts a list of former students that includes some of the biggest, most significant names in architectural history.

In celebration of the vast array of talented graduates that have passed through its doors over the last century, the School recently hosted an exhibition called *The World in One School*, featuring photographs, images and models of some of the most iconic buildings in the world, all designed by former students.

Professor Robert Kronenburg, Chair of Architecture, submitted a bid for funding to host the exhibition as part of the city's celebrations as European Capital of Culture.

“The idea came when we hosted two alumni parties in the School in 2006 and 2007 for graduates who had left the University 50 years ago,” said Rob. “It struck me that we ought to make people more aware of the fantastic work that

many of our alumni are involved in and the legacy that many of them have left in the city and around the world, and from that we managed to obtain funding to develop the exhibition.”

Due to the number of fascinating buildings designed by the graduates, it made sense to create a formal catalogue of the exhibition which gradually evolved into a book of the same name, produced by Research Fellow Peter Richmond and Jack Dunne, Director of Studies for the Master in Architecture.

“It's not an overstatement to say that the Liverpool School created the whole architectural package and exported it across the globe,” said Jack. “Its impact really has been that momentous. That's why it has such a strong reputation, both nationally and internationally, and that's why we continue to attract such high-quality students.”

The Leverhulme building, where the school is now based, was designed in the 1930s by former Roscoe professor Sir Charles Reilly, in collaboration with his eventual successor Lionel Budden and former graduate JE Marshall. A simplified modernism blending into the formal classicism of Abercromby Square, even the building alone sets Liverpool apart from its contemporaries.

In the mid 1980s, a merger with the Department of Building Engineering meant that more than £1 million of investment was given to the new School of Architecture and Building Engineering, enabling a new studio and exhibition area to be built. This dedicated design space is a superb facility, and, according to Jack, is another reason that students choose to come to Liverpool.

“The way the department is set up is all about encouraging students to be creative,” said Jack. “We're quite unusual in the sense that we don't have a prescriptive ‘house style’ here, unlike at other institutions. Students are encouraged to find their own style and we just try to guide them in the right direction. It's about teaching people to think for themselves. Obviously our teaching fulfils all the necessary RIBA requirements, but beyond that

we're keen to encourage people to be imaginative and to demonstrate a certain flair.”

With 20 years of experience at Liverpool-based practice, the BDC Partnership, including a 10-year stint as its Director, Jack is well placed to advise students about creative flair and prepare them for practice. An award-winning designer, he has travelled all over the world specialising in social housing projects.

In fact, part-time tutors in architecture are an important part of the School teaching team, bringing their up-to-date experience from practice. This is reflected in teaching methods at the school as students are critiqued on projects to prepare them for the presentations that they will be expected to do in business. Clearly these techniques have proved effective, as most students go on to work in quality design practices around the UK and abroad.

But, of the many hundreds of successful graduates that the School has produced, some names stand out. They have not only been responsible for designing some of the most stunning buildings in Liverpool, but their scope and influence can be seen all over the world. From the famous names of the early years such as Sir James Stirling, Edwin Maxwell Fry and Sir Patrick Abercrombie, architects of outstanding quality are still being nurtured here, responsible for some of the most ground-breaking and innovative designs of our generation.

Credit: Morley von Sternberg
Liverpool Arena and
Conference Centre -
Wilkinson Eyre

“It's not an overstatement to say that the Liverpool School created the whole architectural package and exported it across the globe”

Credit: Stefan Mueller
The Bluecoat - home to the Liverpool
School of Architecture at the beginning
of the 20th century



Greenwood Road, Hackney - Patrick Lynch



Gateshead Millennium Bridge - Jim Eyre

Sir James Frazer Stirling
(Dip Arch 1950)

Widely regarded as one of the most important architects of the 20th century, Sir James Frazer Stirling was awarded the RIBA Gold Medal in 1980 and was knighted in 1992. Responsible for designing the Leicester University Engineering Building and the Staatsgalerie Museum in Stuttgart, the annual British national architecture award, the 'Stirling Prize' is named in his honour. This year the prize will be awarded in Liverpool and there will also be a special Stirling exhibition held at the University.



Quay Bar, Manchester - Stephenson Bell



Concert Square development - Urban Splash

John Whalley
(BArch 1956, MA Civic Design 1957)

After establishing a career as a landscape architect, he went on to design in Britain, France and Japan. He won the Reilly Medal in 1956 and was President of the Landscape Institute from 1985-87. His work includes Everton Park and the Liverpool International Garden Festival, which won a British Association of Landscape Industries award of Merit in 1984 and a Civic Trust Award in 1985.

Roger Stephenson OBE
(BArch 1969)

The director of Stephenson Bell, a nationally acclaimed practice in Manchester which he co-founded, Roger Stephenson has been awarded more than 40 national awards for design including being shortlisted for the Stirling Prize in 1998 for his design of the Quay Bar in Manchester, which also won a RIBA award.

Jim Eyre
(BA Hons Architecture 1980)

Achieving international success as a partner in the firm Wilkinson Eyre, Jim Eyre is responsible for designing, among other things, the Gateshead Millennium Bridge, the world's tallest tower in China and more recently, the Liverpool Arena and Conference Centre. Wilkinson Eyre has achieved an international reputation and is the only practice to win the Stirling Prize twice.

Jonathan Ellis-Miller
(BA Architecture 1983, BArch 1986)

Winner of seven RIBA awards, Jonathan Ellis-Miller has designed numerous award-winning buildings, including his design for a house which won him the RIBA British Steel Award shortly after he graduated in 1991. His firm has recently been hired to provide masterplanning and architectural design services on a £26 million urban redevelopment of Oakham in Rutland.

Jonathan Falkingham
(BA Hons Architecture 1984, BArch Hons 1988)

Co-founder of the groundbreaking firm Urban Splash, the company has revolutionised urban areas, building and redeveloping property, office and commercial space in a sustainable and environmentally sound way. In Liverpool they have designed Concert Square, the Ropewalks area, the Vanilla factory, the Tea Factory and the Matchworks and Matchbox developments, and are currently working on the redevelopment of the Littlewoods Art Deco building on Edge Lane.

Tim Pyne
(BArch 1989)

Creative Director of London's annual 100% Design Show and Consultant Creative Director to the World Architecture Festival in Barcelona, Tim Pyne is responsible for dreaming up the concept of the 'm-hotel', a moveable prefab that can be delivered in to inner cities on a temporary basis to make use of land that might be under planning or financial dispute. As founder and owner of WORK, Tim has designed more than £50 million worth of work on the interior of the Millennium Dome and won RIBA awards for two of the four zones he designed.

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For further information on the Architecture department visit: www.liv.ac.uk/isa

Celebrating 125 years of the Athletic Union

The Athletic Union is almost as old as the University itself.

The first records of the formation of the organisation suggest that it was set up in 1884, three years after the University College opened its doors. Professor H A Strong, a Professor in Latin, was the first President until he retired 30 years later.

Initially, club activities only comprised cricket, lawn tennis, rugby, football, gymnastics and cycling, but the AU rapidly grew with clubs such as swimming, boxing, athletics, gymnastics and hockey. The University regularly competed against other established universities including Durham University, Owens College and Yorkshire College.

By 1908, sporting activity had boomed and the University of Liverpool Athletic Club Pavilion was built in Calderstones Park where, every Saturday in the Summer term, professors' wives provided tea and refreshments for members.

During the First World War, sport fixtures were cancelled, but when it ended

there was a surge in Athletic Union membership. When the Second World War started in 1939 it was decided that 'business as usual' would be order of the day and the University excelled in many inter-university competitions.

Throughout the years, sporting activity has continued to be a central part of University life and these days, the Athletic Union represents 2,850 students in more than 48 clubs, many of which compete in British Universities Sports Association (BUSA) leagues.

Stuart Wade, Sports Development Manager for the University, said: "The University's Athletic Union is one of the most established in the country. In the past it was responsible for co-ordinating the sport timetable, but these days it also provides support and representation for students who take part in club activity. It is also open to staff and offers personal accident insurance and a sports therapy clinic to all members."



Anniversary event

To mark the 125th anniversary of the Athletic Union, Sport Liverpool and the Alumni Relations team are hosting a sports weekend on 25 – 26 April 2009.

Open to all alumni, the weekend will feature team sports including netball, hockey, football, rugby (league and union), water polo, rowing, lacrosse and possibly rounders, but alumni are invited to suggest any additional sports. The Sports and Fitness Centre will be available to all attending the weekend, and, on the Saturday evening, those taking part and their guests, will be invited to a buffet in the Guild.

If you would like to attend or to find out more information, contact Alumni Assistant Clare Wride on clare.wride@liv.ac.uk or +44 (0)151 795 4609.

Hall of Fame

We'd like to feature alumni who competed at international level in a Hall of Fame displayed in the University Sports Centre.

Please contact Clare Wride on +44 (0)151 795 4609 or email clare.wride@liv.ac.uk. Alternatively send a photo of yourself in international kit and a brief playing history to Clare Wride, Corporate Communications, Foundation Building, Brownlow Hill, Liverpool, L69 7ZX.

Good memories

Reading recent *insight* articles has brought back many memories of my time in Liverpool in the 1960s.

I graduated in 1968, BEng Electronics, and so it was with great interest that I read about colleagues (Robin Saxby, Cedric Sloan, Graham James Miller) who shared that final year with me.

I can also remember other colleagues, some from overseas, Leka Thomiades (Egyptian), Ragnar Vogt (Norwegian) and also Alan Wheeler, a great friend who I still see regularly (we met on our first day at uni).

I particularly recall the period following our finals. Two staff members, including Dr Jory, an Australian, had returned from a training course in assembler programming and thought that it would be a great idea to pass on their knowledge and enthusiasm to the 'lads', using the department's IBM 1130, one of the first mini computers.

I thoroughly enjoyed the course and, little did I know at the time, that it was to be the catalyst for a life-long career in the software industry.

I also met my wife Margaret (née Crowder) (BA French 1970), at a 5 November dance at Roscoe Hall. We married in 1970 and now have two children who have also gone through university.

We have so many good memories of Liverpool, some of which are awakened each time we read the *insight* magazine. Thank you.

Brendan Markland, Shropshire



Medical School Class of '45

I enclose a photo of my year reunion in 1985, I think some of your graduates may recognise themselves among us consultants, which is more than I did after 10 years since our previous reunion!

I started my education just four years after war started, helped by a grant from the Education Committee. Our university experience was far from normal – exams disturbed by air raid alarms, down in the basement of the Physics building, 'hops' disturbed and temporarily stopped because of the raids.

My boyfriend, a vet student (Allan Mutch MRCVS (1943), we married in 1946), and I were drafted to help during the Blitz. I spent hair-raising nights making sandwiches and toast in the Union kitchen while Allan, in Corps uniform, dug bodies out of Mill Road Hospital. On dates, we sheltered in doorways to dodge the flak.

We had 50 years of medical and veterinary practice about which I wrote a book. Editors, however, now prefer books by Jade Goody and the like but I may try again!

Dr Olive Mutch (MBChB 1945), Wirral

Star Letters

Alive and well

Your recent issue (Spring 2008) contained notification of the death of Anthony Stevens.

I dined with Mr Stevens yesterday. Although a little slow on his feet, I detected no signs of rigor mortis and he consumed a remarkable amount of food and drink for a corpse. Furthermore, he took umbrage at my suggestion that on his departure from my house I should attach to the rear of his motor car a placard saying 'Just Died'.

During my own academic studies, it was regarded as imperative that any fact should be checked from original sources. Mr Stevens is a season ticket holder of Leicester City Football Club. The fact that this side has lost 17 matches this season and is on the cusp of relegation is surely insufficient evidence from which to draw the inference that he had gone into terminal decline. I await your observations.

Roger Pomfret (BA Hons Economics 1957), Lancashire

Premature death notice

My wife (Tessa Harrington as was, BCom 1957) and I have just returned home after enjoying the hospitality of ex-District Judge Roger Pomfret (BA Hons Economics 1957), and his wife, at their delightful home near Ormskirk. We were joined for the couple of days by Ken Fox (BCom Hons 1957) and his wife.

The *insight* magazine arrived whilst we were there and my wife, who these days seems to start with the In Memoriam section, was startled to spot notice of my death!

Death will surely arrive one day but the Good Lord has me on the back-burner just now, and I hope that that is not indicative of the eternal future to come.

However, if the past is indicative of the future, she was much encouraged by the flood of messages on our answerphone, the numerous messages of condolence in the post, the flood of Mass Cards – masses to be celebrated for my life and more for the eternal repose of my soul – and news that the local florist had enjoyed the best day's business in years.

I will trust that you will include this letter in the next *insight* issue so that our many friends may continue to invite both of us to their homes, send both of us Christmas cards and be assured that I will hopefully be around for a long time to come.

Yours, given your notice, in astonishingly good health.

Anthony Stevens (BCom Hons 1957) (known as 'Steve' whilst at University), Staffordshire

Editor's note: We would like to thank Mr and Mrs Stevens, and their friends and family, for being so understanding!

Roger and Anthony both receive £25 to spend in our online gift store

First female 1

I missed the reference in *insight* Autumn 2007 to the class of 1957 being the last all-male class in the Faculty of Engineering, but I agree with Tom Pritchard (Spring 2008 *insight*) that it cannot have been.

There was a woman studying, if I remember correctly, Electrical Engineering. Her name was 'Paddy' Jones. We graduated in December 1944 so the last all-male year must have been prior to 1944.

Philip Bird (BEng 1944), Oxfordshire

Vet disaster at Ness

I carried out some research at Ness (In Focus, *insight* Spring 2008), studying the importance of insects for the pollination of weed species, in this case, buttercups.

In a farmer's field adjacent to the Gardens, one warm day in June, I placed plastic bags over 100 tall buttercup plants. In this way the flowers would be unharmed but insect pollinators could not reach them. My plan was to leave them for about a week and then collect the flower heads to look for pollination and seed set.

Just to check that all was well, I visited the field the next morning. There was a veterinary disaster in the making as cows had got in to the field and had eaten all except a few of the plastic bags. The damage to my experiment was nothing compared to the potential damage to the cows with plastic entwining their complex digestive systems.

I felt awful and returned to the University to discuss the impending law suits with my Professor. He contacted the farmer who agreed there was nothing to be done except to wait and see what would happen. In the end, nothing happened – the cows remained fit and healthy with not even a drop in milk yield. We wanted to thank the farmer for adopting such a low-key view of the situation and this may have been the first and only time a good bottle of Scotch was requisitioned from scientific funds – at least for the purpose of maintaining good relations between Ness Gardens and the local farmers.

I went on to Stanford University and then to Northwestern University in Chicago where I became Professor and Chairman of the Department of Biological Sciences. I am now Professor Emeritus at Macquarie University in Sydney and, until recently, Director of the Commonwealth Key Centre for Biodiversity and Bioresources.

Andy Beattie (BSc Hons Zoology 1964), Sydney, Australia

First female 2

I can inform Tom Pritchard (*insight* Spring 2008) that there was a woman Civil Engineering graduate among the BEng 'forty-niners'. She was Simonne J Waygood. There were two other women in the 1946 intake but I do not think they graduated until later.

John Oliver (BEng Hons 1949), Buckinghamshire

Text too small

It is always interesting to read of the various things happening to our old alma mater but this time, I, along with other old timers, find the print too small, too cramped and I can't read the coloured set up for the 'In Memoriam' as well – and this segment is important for us! Try to make the print larger.

Norman Lamb (BA Hons Hispanic Studies 1938), Denbighshire

Editor's note: Our last reader survey highlighted this issue and we have changed the design of many of our pages because of it, while trying to keep the design as attractive as possible. We fight a losing battle to fit everything in each magazine, but will do our best to make sure the text is legible!

First female 3

Two things have come to mind as I read through the latest edition:

1. Congratulations on using less dark background colours on the pages. This has enabled my wife and myself to enjoy reading articles since the typeface is more distinct. Possibly the use of less ink is 'greener'!

2. On the page 'In the Post' a letter from Tom Pritchard headed 'First Female' caught our attention.

My wife, Lisbeth (Beth) Lloyd (née Ridley), was an undergraduate from 1942-45. During that time she had a friend, Paddy Jones, (home address then in Bebington, Wirral) who was an undergraduate in the Engineering Faculty, also during 1942-45.

There were two other women in the Engineering Faculty at that time but my wife does not remember their names though one had the nickname 'Monty'.

These three women clearly pre-date the ones referred to in Tom Pritchard's letter.

Beth (BA Social Science 1945) and Ken (BSc Hons Chemistry 1952) Lloyd, Chester, Cheshire



Robert Jackson on campus, Summer 2008

First female 4

I was pleased with the last edition of *insight* and I would like to make two comments.

First, regarding the last female class, I know that my class, which started in September 1941 and ended in December 1943 had one lady member. Her given name was Elizabeth but I cannot remember her family name. She became friends and later married a male member whose given name I don't remember but whose family name was Williamson. The class of the previous year had no ladies nor as far as I am aware did the previous one to that. I hope that will be of interest to Tom Pritchard.

On another matter you reported the sad death of Charles Vincent Jones but failed to record that he also had an honours degree in Mathematics from the University of London. He was quite a remarkable person. His schooldays took place in the Liverpool Institute where he studied Classics and from where he was rewarded with a scholarship on the basis of his knowledge of Greek, Latin and Ancient History. Seeing no future in that, he entered the Engineering Faculty to study Light Current Electrical Engineering because that was his uncle's profession. In spite of having no previous tuition in either Physics or Chemistry, to the best of my memory he had the highest mark of all students of that year in finals.

After graduating, he and I were sent to RAE and, because our names both began with J, we shared a room until the day that we both left after the war ended. We had not been there long before he decided that his future lay in teaching and that if he was to be successful in that profession he needed to have a degree in mathematics. He registered with a correspondence college and began to study. His studies generally took place late at night after we had been out to eat or to the club to play billiards or snooker. On our return he would begin to study and I would begin a detective novel. When I finished the novel he closed his books and we went to bed.

At about the time the war ended he took his final exam and was awarded a First Class Honours degree. He was quite a genius. He had two remarkable abilities. One by a combination of his knowledge of Greek, Latin and Mathematics, he was able to do a Ximinese crossword in about one hour. He also was able to create a system for us so that we remained the Bridge champions of RAE for the time we were there.

We remained friends for many years as we both married and brought many offspring into the world. We did not drift apart until my work took me out of Britain, first to the USA and later to China. I hope that he became a good teacher and that he was able to pass on some of his ability to the students that he taught.

I will be visiting the UK for the first time in 15 years and my first stop will be the University to see what damage you have done to the Engineering Building since I was last there more than 50 years ago. Perhaps there will be time for me to stop in on the *insight* office while I am there.

Robert G Jackson (Mechanical Engineering 1943), Texas

First female 5

There was certainly a female engineer in 1943 (*insight*, Spring 2008) who was Lady President of the Guild. She married Denis Craddock (MBCbB 1944) who was President.

I was in the year below Denis Craddock and I knew him quite well. We were both at Liverpool Collegiate School and I replaced him in the first XV in November 1928 as he wished to concentrate on athletics – he was the Northern Counties Junior Mile champion (4m 28secs) in 1939.

Dr James Carmichael (MBCbB 1945, MD 1953), Liverpool

Naval Division footnote

May I belatedly add a couple of footnotes to the letter and photograph about the Naval Division in the Autumn 2007 issue?

Donald Coult was a Tutor in Derby Hall where I was a first-year student in 1942–43. Most of those on the photo would be from the first intake under the Y-Scheme where men who were qualified for university entry and were due for call-up to the forces were given a six-month period combining academic studies and preliminary naval training. The University Naval Division's first recruits were those, like myself, who were undertaking normal undergraduate courses. I was only 17 when I came up to read Geography and remained in that department for the rest of my career, and was allowed to complete my first year of study before being called up.

The Y-Scheme was part of a crash course to meet the expected demand for potential officers for the D-Day landings in particular. Members of the University staff commissioned to assist the naval staff included Sub-Lt Wilfred Smith, later John Rankin Professor of Geography, and Frank Fletcher, later James Barrow Professor of French, who flagged his semaphore signals from the top of the air raid shelters in Abercromby Square.

Emeritus Professor Richard Lawton, (BA Hons Geography 1948), York



University Quad 1957 (l to r) Lewis Rosenbloom, Jeff Langworthy, Fred ?, Dorothy Vantier, Betty Dickinson, Irene Powell, Jane ?, Graeme McGregor

I enclose a photo from my album which may be of interest for the Alumni celebrations.

We were all studying Anatomy, Physiology and Biochemistry at the time the photos were taken – 1957.

Dorothy Robinson (née Vantier), Wirral

Dan Davis (BA Hons History 1993), Deputy Editor of Esquire magazine, was one of 30 alumni who braved wild weather and golfers' elbow at the University's first Alumni Golf Day at the Royal Liverpool Golf Club.

He told insight about the event.

The mighty links at Hoylake has witnessed some of golf's greatest moments during its long and illustrious history: the first Amateur Championship in 1882, Bobby Jones winning a leg of his immortal Grand Slam in 1930 and Tiger Woods marking the club's long overdue return to the Open Championship Rota with a display of perfect links golf in 2005. Now another chapter can be added to this roll-call of legend: the inaugural Alumni Golf Day.

Though not troubling the wider golfing world, the event was hugely significant for 30 past members of the University Golf Team. One thing that hadn't changed, however, was Wirral's April weather. A typical Hoylake brew of thunderous skies and wind whipping in from the Dee Estuary made many alumni feel older than they actually were – and, given one of the teams was made up of players who graduated in the late 1970s (presumably in flares), that's saying something.

Swings, in some cases, were stiffer, waistlines more ample and hair (if it existed at all) greyer, but enthusiasm was undimmed by the passing years. Keith Murphy (BSc Hons Mathematical Sciences 1997), a relative pup having graduated in the late 90s, took top honours in the individual category. Rob Stevens (BSc Hons Medical Cell Biology and Biochemistry 1988), who clearly has been doing little other than play golf since leaving Liverpool, amassed an incredible 35 points off scratch – the sort of golf that Jones and Woods would have recognised. For plenty of others though, Royal Liverpool held up a mirror to their fading powers.

Thankfully, a restorative dinner was awaiting those with battered egos and ragged scorecards. After lamb shanks, copious Rioja and some fine speeches, the prize-giving (generously provided for by Golf Monthly editor Michael Harris, a BA

Hons Geography graduate of 1992) saw Nick Deanes (BEng Hons Building Services and Environmental Engineering 1993) winning for nearest the pin on the 7th and the longest drive prize going to a member of the current University Golf Team, Andrew Smith (currently studying Social & Economic History) with his gargantuan 365-yard-effort on the par-four 15th.

There were plenty of others who clocked up the mileage to be at the inaugural event – and none more so than Steve Kelbrick (BEng Hons Mechanical Engineering and Management 1990). He flew from Equatorial Guinea via Frankfurt and Switzerland in order to play, sponsoring the dinner, carding himself a very respectable 33 points and walking off with first place in the team event, alongside Ian Brown (BSc Hons Statistics and Computational Mathematics 1987), Andy Jones (BDentSurg 1989) and Rob Stevens for his troubles. At the end of a memorable evening, the sight of a dozen or so happily inebriated men, remembering past glories and chipping balls from the carpet of the clubhouse stairs on to the landing outside the dining room, should have been enough to convince him it had been worth the effort.

The participating alumni would like to thank Royal Liverpool Golf Club, Stuart Wade of the Athletic Union and Karen Brady and Clare Wride of the Alumni Office.



It has been described as the 'best seat in the theatre' but alumnus Dr Malcolm Jack isn't talking about any ordinary auditorium. He is the Clerk and Chief Executive of the House of Commons, taking centre stage at the heart of the UK Parliament.

Malcolm graduated from the University in 1967 with a degree in Political Theory and Institutions. He said: "I was always interested in politics as an activity. There's a family story which tells of me watching Harold Macmillan on television and I was absolutely enthralled. I was only seven or eight years old."

He says he chose Liverpool because of fond childhood memories.

"My grandfather was a Cunard engineer and moved to Liverpool from Scotland in the 1930s," he said. "The river fascinated me. Seas and ships have always played a very big part in my life – it's a pity I am now marooned in London!"

"Liverpool was quite a hard place in some respects, and it had gone through a period that was not very good, but I enjoyed my time at the University very much. One of my tutors, the late Phillip Parks, was very generous in taking us out of the city. He was interested in National Trust houses and he would take us in his old Morris Minor.

"I liked jazz and classical music, which was quite well organised at the Guild, but I used to go a lot to the Philharmonic too. Theatre and music

in Liverpool were always very good.

"I love to come back to the city and have a stomp around campus. Last year I got together with six former classmates at Westminster – in four cases we hadn't seen each other since we graduated!"

After graduation, Malcolm enrolled for a Masters at the London School of Economics.

He added: "I was fortunate enough to be offered a research post. I was tempted but they wanted someone to research political institutions and, though I didn't mind working in an institution, my interests were more the theories and activities of politics. I decided to do the Civil Service exams. The House of Commons only took two or three people but as soon as I walked through the door I knew this was for me. I was fascinated – it was the magnetism of the place."

Malcolm was appointed to his current position in 2006. The office of Clerk of the House is almost 650 years old and has an intriguing history – the first mention of accommodation used by the Clerk dates back to 1605 and details the cellar adjacent to where Guy Fawkes hid in the Gunpowder Plot.

Malcolm is the principal adviser of the House, its committees, the Speaker and the Members of Parliament, explaining procedure and practices and the rules which govern its day-to-day activities. As Chief Executive he is responsible for 1,700 employees and is the main advisor to

The best
seat in the House



the Speaker, sitting in front of him or her in a wig and gown when the House is sitting.

Malcolm said: "One of the best things about the job is that you never know what will happen next and crises keep happening! Politics is very volatile. There's a saying – the clerks at the table have one of the best seats in the theatre!"

And he says the MPs are fascinating people to work with: "Politicians are endlessly energetic. It's almost a genetic thing. Politics attracts those kinds of people – if you're not, you don't last very long. You can spot those who will be successful – they are people who have some special extra quality. I won't name anyone but I know cabinet ministers who I knew, when I first saw them, would end up at the top. That's part of the fun of the job."

But he says he is worried about current attitudes to politics in the UK: "There is no doubt that people are cynical about politicians – people think Prime Minister's Question Time is all silly remarks and then the members go away. That's a ridiculous travesty of what people do. Members have a hard slog of a job. They take part in debates or committees, then there's the overseas side and, when they leave Westminster at the end of the week, there's the constituency side. They don't have weekends and if they get a Sunday in peace they are lucky.

"If you have an unpopular war or an economic situation that is

affecting people's ordinary lives they are not going to love politicians. I am not trying to get them off the hook, there just needs to be more recognition of the kind of job involved."

But the role isn't without its humour. Malcolm added: "There is a very complicated choreography of state openings. The Speaker leads the procession to the Lords and, at the moment Black Rod requests the Members' presence, I have to dart in behind the Speaker before the members push me out of the way! It's quite a squeeze!"

When he isn't working, literature and art are two of Malcolm's loves. He completed his PhD at LSE when he started work at the House and then went on to write books ranging from 18th century subjects to travel history. His latest book *Lisbon, City of the Sea: A History* is the first complete history of the city in English. He is Chairman of the William Beckford Society and Secretary of the Johnson Club, which celebrate the lives of the authors.

He also supports overseas charities: "When I retire I would like to do something quite useful – probably with education – in the developing world. I have a connection with South Africa, and I want to help people from the townships get up the education system, right into university. I feel I have been extremely lucky in life and I'd like to do something very direct to help individuals."



Debbie Cox (BA Hons Archaeology 1980), far left, with Tim Cox, back row, left, and Charlotte Syder, (BA Economics and Economic History 1980), met up with their friends Alison and John Appleton (BA Geography 1979) and Virginia and Simon Lamb (Economics and Economic History 1980)



Lady Newby, Vice-Chancellor Professor Sir Howard Newby, Ambassador for Beijing and alumnus James Yu (MA Applied Linguistic, 2004) with his son Gezi Yu



Frances Lyrmont (BA Social Science 1965) wearing a gold top, and Margaret Upsdell (MBChB Medicine 1965) dressed in a grey suit, meet with new friends, and old, at the Walker Art Gallery



Francis and Patricia Major (BSc Hons Mathematics 1969, MSc Applied Mathematics 1971)



David Liddiment (BA Hons English Language and Literature 1974) with contemporary and friend Dr (David) Kevin Jones (Medicine 1977, PhD Medicine 1990)



Robert Labinski, Vice-President of Liverpool Guild of Students, with John Tandy (BVSc 1957), Committee member of the University of Liverpool Veterinary Alumni Association



Anne Donnelly Bush (BA Hons Psychology 1990 and Ambassador for New York) and Yan-Goh Ng (BEng Engineering Science/Industrial Management 1976, PhD Engineering 1983 and Ambassador for Malaysia) enjoy dinner in the Mountford Hall



Graham Topping (BSc Chemistry 1961, PhD Philosophy 1967), Professor Tony Eccles (BEng Mechanical Engineering 1957) and Jane Biran (BA English Language and Literature 1958). Jane travelled from Israel to join the Alumni Weekend



Roger and Margaret Upsdell (MBChB Medicine 1965)

Around 200 alumni came back to campus for the University's annual Alumni Weekend during the city's year as European Capital of Culture.

The age range of visitors spanned more than 80 years – from Colonel James Bryson (LLB 1932), aged 95, and Elizabeth Gidney (BA Hons English 1938), aged 93, to seven-year-old Gezi Yu, the son of Peng (James) Yu (MA Applied Linguistics 2004), Alumni Ambassador for Beijing.

One of the highlights was a gala dinner in Mountford Hall which had been transformed for the night. More than 250 alumni, staff and Officers of the Guild attended the event, with entertainment provided by guest speaker David Liddiment (BA Hons English Language and Literature 1974), Creative Director of All3Media, vocalist Lucy Weston (BA English Literature 2003), Alumni Officer for the Management School, and DJ Simon Rohrer who is a familiar face to many graduates from his Time Tunnel and Double Vision appearances in the Guild.

Some alumni chose to relive their student days with campus tours by current students. More took a trip to Crosby beach to see the famed Antony Gormley art installation, *Another Place*, in the company of marine biologist Leonie Robinson who has used the statues for her research. Groups also viewed the treasures of the Victoria Gallery & Museum and, in addition, many alumni also had the chance to visit the Walker Art Gallery to see the giant *Liverpool Cityscape* produced by artist Ben Johnson in an exhibition sponsored by the University. Ben also gave a presentation about his work and its inspirations.

There was also a screening of the University's Celebration in Film, part of its contribution to the Capital of Culture year. This showcases the institution's history and successes and received great reviews. It was followed by a panel discussion, chaired by BBC Radio 4 presenter Roger Bolton (BA Hons English Literature and Philosophy 1967), alongside Professor Phil Redmond (BA Social Studies 1977) who led the Capital of Culture year, Angela Heslop, Radio Merseyside Cultural Editor, and Martin King, Director of Tourism at The Mersey Partnership.

John Flamson (BA Hons Geography 1973), the University's Director of Strategic Partnerships, spoke of the importance of the University community when he closed the weekend and quoted TS Eliot: "What life have you if you have not life together? There is no life that is not in community."

John told *insight*: "As a postscript, the Lady President from 1938 told me that she had invited TS Eliot to visit the University and that he had spent a day here. I was, for once, dumbstruck!"

Alumni Officer Emma Smith, who was one of the lead organisers of the event, said: "People were engaged and inspired, and there was lots of nostalgia – the whole atmosphere of the weekend was really good! I did hear a great tale of alumni dancing in Kinsella's café bar late on Saturday night – they were immediately identifiable as Alumni Weekend attendees by the giant feathers they were waving, which we had used to decorate the tables at the Mountford Hall dinner!"

If you would like to view the Celebration in Film visit www.liv.ac.uk/celebration

Next year's Alumni Weekend takes place from Friday 4 to Sunday 7 September 2009. Log on to www.liv.ac.uk/alumni for more details.



Ross Leader, current scholarship student, with Kenneth Lloyd (BSc Chemistry 1951, BSc Hons Chemistry 1952) and Sizheng Zhao, current scholarship student

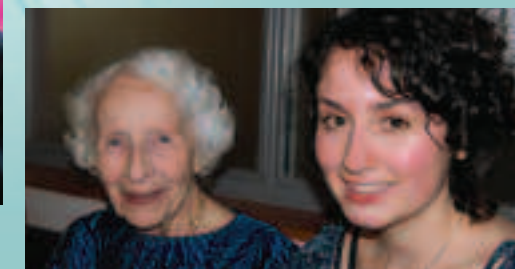


Liz Williams, Guild Deputy President, Ed Maloney, Guild Vice-President, David Winstanley (BSc Geology and Physical Geography 2006 and President of the Guild of Students 2004-05), Emma Smith (Alumni Officer), Irfan Zaman (BA Hons International Development 2005 and President of the Guild of Students 2005-06) with current President of the Liverpool Guild of Students, Danielle Grufferty (BA International Development 2008)



Colonel James Graeme Bryson (LLB Law 1932, LLM Law 1935) and Brenda Murray (BA Social Science 1945)

(Below) Elizabeth Gidney (BA Hons English 1938 and Lady President of the Guild of Undergraduates 1938-39) with Danielle Grufferty (BA International Development 2008 and President of the Liverpool Guild of Students 2008-09)



Kate Robertson, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, with Chris Graham (BA Hons History 1979 and ex-President of the Guild of Students 1971-72)



Jean Mishra, alumnus Prabhat Mishra (BEng Metallurgy 1968), Liverpool CityScape artist and speaker Ben Johnson and his wife Sheila Johnson



Dr Vivian Tabod (Diploma in Tropical Child Health 2003) travelled from the Cameroon Republic and met Didimalang Pemba (Master of Community Health 1998), fellow traveller, who joined the weekend having come from South Africa



Elaine Eades, Programme Director, MBA Human Resource Management, Rachel Pounder (BA Human Resource Management 2006), Katie Neary (BA Human Resource Management 2006), Mark Williams (MSc Management 2005), Lucy Weston (BA English Literature 2003 and Alumni Officer for the University's Management School) and Professor Dominic Elliott, Paul Roy Professor of Business Continuity and Strategic Managements and Director of External Relations for the Management School

Grandmaster plans his next move

It is believed to be the oldest skill game in the world, with a history dating back to before 600AD – and one young Liverpool graduate is taking the world of chess by storm.

Stewart Haslinger (BSc Hons Mathematical Sciences 2005, MSc Mathematical Sciences 2006) is the first chess Grandmaster to come out of Merseyside for more than 100 years.

The title is the highest accolade that can be bestowed on a chess player and only 1% of players ever achieves the prestigious title during their career. Once gained it is held for life.

Stewart has been playing chess since he was three. He pestered his dad to teach him after watching his older brother and sister play, and took to the game so quickly that by the age of four he was entering his first junior tournament. It was clear even at this early age that Stewart had a natural affinity for the game, and he went on not only to captain the Liverpool under-11 team, but to win the annual National Squad Championships five times in a row.

After a promising start, Stewart's chess career continued to flourish throughout his teenage years. He became a member of Formby Chess Club and played during the holidays while he was at university. Then, after completing his masters in Mathematical Sciences, Stewart made the decision to take some time off from his studies to focus on chess, with the dream of becoming a Grandmaster. In the same year

Stewart achieved his goal, scoring enough points during three international tournaments to earn him the coveted title of Grandmaster at the UK-China Summit Match at St George's Hall in Liverpool.

Having captained the England under-11 team when he was younger, Stewart has now been selected to play for the English Senior team and is competing in tournaments all over the world.

"Chess is a test of logic and problem-solving but it's also a very creative game that really helps to develop your memory," Stewart said.

And, he says his studies at Liverpool really helped his game.

He added: "I think Maths has definitely helped me to improve my performance because a lot of the qualities that I learned through my studies have proven to be useful assets in progressing my game. Logic and problem solving are really important skills for anyone playing chess."

Now Stewart is looking to the future and wants to challenge himself against the chess world's greatest names.

He said: "Now that I've achieved the Grandmaster title, I think my ultimate goal would be to play competitively against some of the world's leading players."

■ The title Grandmaster is the highest title a chess player can attain

■ The term formally originated in Russia during the famous 1914 St Petersburg tournament when it was awarded to five finalists

■ In 1950 the World Chess Federation, FIDE, awarded the Grandmaster title to 27 players who were either considered to be at the top of their game or who had formerly been world class

■ These days, to achieve the title, all players must have an Elo rating of at least 2,500 at one time, although they do not necessarily need to maintain this level to keep their title. The Elo system is a means of calculating the relative skills of players

■ In addition to this rating, players must also have at least two favourable results (or 'norms') under their belt, which must be achieved in tournaments involving other Grandmasters

■ There are currently around 40 Grandmasters in the UK.



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We love Liverpool

In a recent survey of University of Liverpool students, 87% said that they would recommend the institution to a friend, which may be one of the reasons why so many graduates have stayed on for further study or returned to become members of staff.

Alumni from courses spanning all disciplines can be found working in many different departments across the University – in teaching and research posts or in the University’s professional services and administration.

Kerry McManus caught up with just a few of them to find out what encouraged them to choose a career at their alma mater.



Catherine Jones
Academic Secretary

Moving from local government into administration at the University was the perfect career move for Catherine Jones (BA Classical and Medieval Latin 1981) because she is still here 21 years later. Now working as the Academic Secretary, Catherine is responsible for the entire area of administration relating to students, from recruitment through to careers guidance. Her department also oversees teaching quality support and central committee services.

Catherine said: “I wanted to study in the North West and Liverpool stood out because it had a good reputation.

“All of the academic staff were unusual characters, but there was one particular instance which still makes me laugh. We were sitting in a tutorial group in the office of one of the lecturers. He shared a telephone with the academic in the next office and they had a hatch between the two rooms. Half way through the tutorial, the hatch opened, a hand popped through and the academic in the other room shouted ‘it’s for you!’

“Looking back at my time as a student, I can see how different things were. In the past we were just privileged to have the opportunity to go to university, but these days, with increasing student numbers and increasing competition, students demand far more. Hopefully, the effort that my team puts in to make the student experience at Liverpool unforgettable will pay off!”

Sarah Jones
Volunteer Co-ordinator

After experiencing the unshakeable sense of ‘coming home’ when stepping off the train at Lime Street to attend a University open day, Sarah Jones (BA Business Economics 2001) chose the University of Liverpool as the place to study. For the past six years Sarah has worked in the Careers and Employability Service and, these days, she calls Liverpool her home.

Sarah said: “After graduation, I took a year out to volunteer for my church in Liverpool, but had plans to pursue a career with one of the ‘big four’ accounting firms. After just a few weeks volunteering I realised that I wanted to continue working in the voluntary sector so when I saw the position at the University, I knew it was perfect – I could combine all of my volunteering experience with my student experience. I think the fact that I’ve studied here has been a major advantage to me.”

Dr Paul Smith
Senior Lecturer

It wasn’t just a love of Liverpool that made Dr Paul Smith (BSc Biological Sciences 1967, BSc Hons Zoology 1968) stay at the University. It was love of another kind.

“I had fallen for the young lady who was to become my wife. Christine Smith (née Jesson) was still studying Biochemistry so I was most reluctant to leave the area and was lucky enough to be appointed as an assistant lecturer in the Department of Pathology in the Medical School, where I was able to do my PhD on lung disease. I am still there as a senior lecturer and will have notched up 40 years this year,” he said.

“I feel that I have been very fortunate to have spent my working life in academic medicine. I have been able to do what I enjoy most – working out what makes things work and, more relevant to my job, what happens when they don’t work.”

Luisa Ainsworth
Secretary to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Pro-Vice-Chancellors

Luisa Ainsworth (Combined Honours SES 2005) has worked at the University for the last 18 months. Her time as a student is one of the factors that influenced her decision to apply for her role.

Luisa said: “I loved my time at University and was really involved in student life. So that I could socialise and earn money at the same time, I worked in the bar in the Guild and had the chance to meet many famous people such as Lemmy Kilmister from Motorhead.

“I still enjoy spending time on campus because a lot of my friends either work or have continued their studies here. Working at the University has also meant that I am able to continue playing cello in the University Symphony Orchestra.”

Natasha Russell
Teaching Laboratory Technician, Biomedical Sciences

For three years, Natasha Russell (BSc Anatomy & Human Biology 2002) has been working in the School of Biomedical Science, the department that she graduated from. Her role involves the preparation and disposal of corpses donated to the department for medical science, such as dissection by students. She is also responsible for providing technical support and ensuring that procedures meet the requirements of the Human Tissues Act 2004.

Natasha initially chose Liverpool as the place to study because of the reputation of the University as a whole.

Natasha said: “After my A-levels, I was passionate to find out more about anatomical form and function. The course at Liverpool was one of the few dissection-based anatomy courses in the country, and remains so to this day. I also wanted to study somewhere that had excellent postgraduate prospects and whose reputation would be highly valued by an employer.

“Now I’m doing the job that I had always wanted to do – working with dead bodies – something that my parents have yet to understand! I find it fascinating and it is always entertaining watching the students who have their dissection class on the morning after student night in the Guild!”

Joy Longshaw
Postgraduate Admissions Officer

Graduating from the University two years ago at the age of 38, Joy Longshaw (BSc Psychology 2006) hasn’t looked back since.

“I never knew what I wanted to do at university which is why I left it until later on. After graduation I did the University’s Graduate Into Employment Unit course, which enabled me to get a temporary job with the University’s Student Recruitment and Admissions Office. From that, I applied for a permanent post and here I am!” said Joy.

“I am really proud to work for the University that gave me the chance to do something that I had not been able to do before and I feel privileged that I am able to help other potential students who are thinking about coming here.”

Chris Marchant
Outreach Officer, Mathematical Sciences

Chris Marchant’s (BSc Mathematics with Education 1999) decision to study at the University of Liverpool occurred when at the age of 14, he attended a careers fair where the University had a stand. He had always planned to become a maths teacher, but by the final year of his undergraduate course he had become involved with delivering maths road shows to children and realised that this was something he enjoyed.

When the Outreach Officer position was advertised, Chris realised that it was the job for him.

“My job gives me the chance to teach children maths, but without all of the negative aspects of being a teacher such as marking work, stress and paperwork. I get to teach children maths in a fun and interesting way through activities and games,” said Chris.

“The aim is to make maths more accessible so that children will become interested in it and will hopefully consider it as an option for further study or a career.

“This year, we have worked with more than 100 schools across the UK so hopefully some of the children that we have worked with might consider the University of Liverpool in the future in the same way that I did.”

University at heart of tycoon's vision for sons' future

When Tung Chee-Hwa and his younger brother Tung Chee-Chen travelled from Hong Kong to Liverpool to study more than half a century ago, little did their school teachers, university lecturers and friends realise what influence and impact they would later have on the worlds of commerce and politics.

It was the vision of their father, the shipping magnate, Tung Chao Yung – known as CY – and their mother, Koo Lee Ching, which brought them to Liverpool. CY was a visionary. He dedicated his life to the modernisation of China's ocean shipping industry. He was a self-made man who became one of the largest independent shipowners in the world. His fleet consisted of container vessels, tankers, bulk carriers and passenger vessels. Today, the container business, operating under the trade name OOCL, is one of largest integrated containerized transportation company in the world, with 160 offices in 50 countries.

When CY died in 1982 his elder son, Chee-Hwa – known as CH (BEng Marine Engineering 1960, Hon LLD 1997) – assumed leadership of the corporation. CH was to run the company until he stepped down in 1996 to campaign to become the first Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. His younger brother, Chee-Chen – known as CC (BEng Mechanical Engineering 1964) – stepped into the top job after many years of working for

his elder brother. CC recalls his response to CH's decision to focus on politics with amusement: "At the time I told him there was no turning back," he said. "If he didn't get elected, he'd have to take out an ad in the local newspaper or go on a long vacation!"

Shipbuilding

Both brothers, who were born in Shanghai, completed their matriculation in the UK before studying at the University of Liverpool. They both went on to further study and employment with General Electric in Boston and the family business in New York for two decades before returning to the family and company base in Hong Kong.

Both CH and CC had to deal with turmoil in the shipping industry during their time at the helm. A major financial restructuring was necessary during the severe shipping market downturn when CH was at the helm in the mid 1980s. CC too had to navigate the family shipping company through very tough times, during the 1997/98 Asian financial crisis, as well as the 2001 global economic slowdown. Both events had severe impact on global trade volumes and the shipping market. Through this challenging environment, OOCL never waived from its steady course in maintaining its customer focus, and developing its IT platform to provide both a more effective service to the customer and better efficiency in-



Pro-Vice-Chancellor Professor Michael Fang greets CH Tung on a visit to Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University

house. OOCL is now the industry leader in the use of information technology and e-commerce to manage the entire cargo process. In addition, OOCL actively participated in a consortium of shipping lines that enabled expansion of network coverage, increased frequency of service, and provided economies of scale and a long term sustainable competitive cost structure. Today, OOCL is one of the world's largest integrated international container transportation and logistics and terminal companies, providing services to all the major East/West, Intra-Asia, and Australasia trading economies, and is one of Hong Kong's most recognised global brands.

University

"The experience of studying in Liverpool laid a solid educational foundation for us," said CH. "Although we weren't at the University at the same time – CC arrived as I was leaving – we stayed in the same lodgings at the Methodist International House in Mount Pleasant.

"Although it is 48 years since I graduated, I remember my days in Liverpool, and the Faculty of Engineering, in particular with great fondness. Several friends I graduated with have been in touch over the years and it has been a pleasure to welcome them to Hong Kong."

Although CH enjoys basketball and American football from his years in the US, it is soccer that is his sporting passion: "I follow Liverpool FC as avidly today as I did when I was a student all

those years ago – it is the greatest football team!" he said.

Married to Betty and with three children and nine beloved grandchildren, CH had the honour of becoming the first elected Chief Executive of Hong Kong following the handover from the UK to the People's Republic of China in 1997. His leadership of the 'one country, two system' government brought a peaceful transition from British colonialism to Chinese rule. He is now Vice-Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference. Earlier this year he formed the China-US Exchange Foundation, which promotes better understanding between the two countries. Betty is an active philanthropist and has been engaged in volunteer work for decades.

"Our father instilled in CC and me, and our sisters, the importance of education and a strong sense of our national identity," added CH. "This is something we remain passionate about today."

Scholarship

In 1970, CY had bought a famous ocean liner, the RMS Queen Elizabeth, which he converted into a floating university. Unfortunately, the ship later caught fire during refurbishment and sank in Hong Kong harbour (the wreckage of the ship was featured in a James Bond movie). CY bought a smaller ship to complete the plan under the Semester at Sea program, working with the University of Pittsburgh for many years, and, more recently, continued by the University of Virginia in collaboration with the Institute of Shipboard Education.

CH and CC set up the Tung OOCL Scholarship Programme in 1995. Its objective is to provide undergraduate and graduate scholarship and other support programs to Universities in China including Tsinghua, Peking, Fudan, Shanghai Jiao Tong, Zhejiang and Nanjing. To date, some 2,930 students and faculty have benefited from the Programme. In addition, scholarships are also awarded to children of employees, many of whom have served in the group for decades.

"The scholarships programme is very important to the family and the company," added CC. "Our corporate values are focused on people, customer focus, excellence through quality and community responsibility. Our communities contribute to our success and we focus our community efforts on education for young people."

Most recently, The Tung Foundation, a charitable Trust, has been working with Shanghai Jiao Tong University and the University of Liverpool to set up a CY Tung Institute of Marine Studies.

CH visited the joint venture Xi'an Jiaotong-Liverpool University in Suzhou, China when it opened in 2006. He added: "This is a very exciting Sino-British collaboration that offers the best of both countries' education for undergraduates in China. I am particularly excited that it was my alma mater that took the lead in such a venture and I hope that the first XJTLU students arriving in Liverpool this semester to complete their studies in the UK have the same wonderful experience of the city that my brother and I had almost half a century ago!"

As well as being Chairman, President and CEO of OOIL, the parent company of OOCL, CC, who is married to Harriet – a philanthropist and proponent of the classical Chinese Arts – with whom he has two children, is a non-executive director of several companies, including Bank of China, and Petro China. He holds a Masters degree in Mechanical Engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and is a JP.

Community

Under CC's direction, OOIL also participates in many other types of community support. One of its major and initiatives is Project HOPE (Health Opportunities for People Everywhere) in Hong Kong which has been renamed CMF (Children Medical Foundation). The corporation transported diagnostic medical equipment and supplies donated by Fortune 500 companies in the US to the Shanghai Children's Hospital.

Both CH and CC are members of the University's successful Hong Kong Alumni Association. "We attend as many alumni association events as possible, commercial business allowing!" said CC. "It is always a great pleasure to socialise with fellow Liverpool graduates living in Hong Kong – we feel like an extension of the University family. Every summer I look forward in particular to being involved in the awarding of the HKGA scholarships set up through the kind generosity of Dr Nelson Yu (Hon LLD 1999), which give young Hong Kong nationals the opportunity to study in Liverpool."

CY Tung didn't just have the vision to establish a global shipping business and set his sons on the road to becoming shipping tycoons through their education links with Liverpool. He also had great vision when he named his boys. For Chee-Chen means 'build success' while Chee-Hwa means 'build China'.



Family success story - brothers Tung Chee-Hwa and Tung Chee-Chen

"The experience of studying in Liverpool really set us both up for our careers in the shipping business"

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100 not out!

It's 100 not out for alumnus Dr Denys Wainwright!

The keen cricket fan puts his longevity down to his busy and active life. He celebrated his 100th birthday in August with his two sons, daughter and a terrier called Soda.

Denys was born in St Helens, Merseyside, where his mother was a GP and his father was an architect. He graduated MBChB in 1932 and worked initially in Liverpool, then in Manchester, North Wales, Shropshire and Staffordshire. Shelagh, his wife, was born in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, where she studied medicine in Cape Town before moving to Liverpool where she met Denys.



Denys operated at a time when all orthopaedic surgeons were general but his particular interests lay with children, fractures, TB and polio. He is acknowledged in the medical world for the Wainwright spline, a treatment used to treat patients who have osteoarthritis of the hip.

He served on the British Orthopaedic Association (BOA) Executive Committee and was Vice-President from 1973-4. He was also President of the orthopaedic section of the Royal Society of Medicine and was awarded an Honorary DSc by Keele University.

In his younger days he was an enthusiastic cricketer and soccer player, and took up golf only after retirement. Denys was also an enthusiastic traveller and sailor and later dabbled with watercolours. During his long hospital shifts he discovered a love of bridge and still plays to this day.

But it wasn't his sporting prowess which left an impact on many of his peers - he was famed throughout the British Orthopaedic Ski Group for his 'egg trick'! Three eggs in eggcups are positioned on a tray, which is placed on three glasses filled with water. Denys then stood on the head of a broom and used its handle to knock the tray away and, lo and behold, the eggs always neatly landed in the glasses. He was never known to fail!

Michael Benson, who recently interviewed Denys for British Orthopaedic News, said: "No-one I have talked to has any idea how this was accomplished but it was carried out with a flourish, a twinkle in his eye and a willing female accomplice. When I asked Denys about the trick he confessed he had not pulled it for many years but still refused to explain it!"



Graduation Day



The University's newest graduates were welcomed to the alumni community with a packed week of departmental events.

Members of the Alumni Relations team were out and about across campus during graduation week to show this Summer's graduates the benefits of keeping contact with their alma mater. Events were held in the Guild and in most academic departments.

New graduates! Don't forget to keep us updated with your correct contact details so you will receive insight and information about exclusive offers and alumni events.



Sneak peek!

Alumni and supporters of the University had a sneak preview of the new Victoria Gallery & Museum before its opening this Summer.

Those attending the joint Annual General Meeting of the Friends of the University of Liverpool and Convocation were given a tour of the stunning new venue and a tour and talk from its Director, Matthew Clough.

If you would like more information about the Friends or Convocation, call Elizabeth Adams on +44 (0)151 795 4639 or email elizabeth.adams@liv.ac.uk

We need you!

New members are needed for the University's Alumni Board.

Since the group was founded in September 2006, its members have offered representation, advice and guidance in the development of the University's alumni relations activity.

As each member of the Alumni Board serves for a term of three years, new members are being recruited to fulfil various roles, starting from September 2009. The roles are voluntary and each member would be required to commit to three meetings per year, usually held in Liverpool or via video/telephone conferencing for international representatives.

Related experience is not essential – the main requirement is that candidates have a genuine interest in alumni relations and a passion for the University of Liverpool.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Alumni Board, or would like to nominate someone, please contact Karen Brady, Head of Alumni Relations, on +44 (0)151 795 2348 or karen.brady@liv.ac.uk.

The band of international Alumni Ambassadors is growing, with the appointment of three new representatives.

Two regional Ambassadors have been appointed for Australia; Brian Hudson (BA Hons Geography 1960, MCivic Design 1962) in Queensland and Richard Axe (MEng Mechanical Engineering 1989) in Victoria, with Anne Donnelly Bush (BA Hons Psychology 1990) being appointed as our Alumni Ambassador in New York.

All of the Ambassadors are keen to hear from alumni in their area, and all can be contacted via the Alumni Relations team or directly by email.

In particular, the team is still looking for representatives in India, the Republic of Ireland and Canada, but would welcome a call from anyone interested in representing their own country or region. Contact Karen Brady, Head of Alumni Relations, on +44 (0)151 795 2348 or karen.brady@liv.ac.uk

East Coast, America

Anne Donnelly Bush (BA Hons Psychology 1990)

Ambassador.newyork@liv.ac.uk

Anne is currently a lawyer and has been in New York for eight years, before which she was in Liverpool for 10 years, even working

at the University for some of this time as a Research Assistant at the Institute of Medicine, Law and Bioethics. Anne is very keen to form

connections with alumni in New York and surrounding area and arranged a recent event for fellow graduates in the city, with more planned for later in the year.

Queensland, Australia

Dr Brian J Hudson (BA Hons Geography 1960, MCivic Design 1962)

Ambassador.queensland@liv.ac.uk

Brian has an extensive range of experiences in the world of urban and regional planning and has travelled to many places across the world with his work. During his time in Liverpool, Brian took a great interest in jazz at the University and became president of the Rhythm Club. He now resides in Brisbane, Queensland

where he continues to work for and support Queensland University of Technology under the School of Urban Development.

Victoria, Australia

Richard Axe (MEng Mechanical Engineering 1989)

Ambassador.victoria@liv.ac.uk

Whilst in Liverpool, Richard captained the 1989 Golf Team that won the UAU Championships and maintains a great interest in the activities of the University. Now living in Victoria, he enjoys the



occasional round of golf, competitive rowing and has begun to take an interest in surfing. Richard has also been working alongside the Alumni Relations team to help to offer Engineering graduates placements in Australia, and is very keen to strengthen the University's profile in Australia.

West Coast event – Dr Brian Jones, Ambassador for Western USA, is planning an alumni event in LA for later this year. Venue and date are to be confirmed, but if you would like to be kept informed please contact Brian direct on ambassador.wusa@liv.ac.uk

All of our Ambassadors are keen to hear from fellow graduates, so please don't hesitate to contact them to get involved with events and activities in your area.

International events

The University's International Recruitment and Relations team travels the world to recruit potential students and they are always keen to meet alumni too.

Details of their travel plans and any planned alumni events will be published on the online Alumni Community web pages and updated throughout the year, so please keep any eye on the website to make sure you don't miss out!

If you would like to be kept informed of any visits or activity in your area, please email alumni@liv.ac.uk or contact your local Alumni Ambassador.

Contacts

AFRICA

Nigeria

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ASIA

Beijing

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Shanghai

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Guangzhou

Following events in August 2007, the Alumni Relations team is liaising closely with alumni in Guangzhou. An Ambassador is being recruited and anyone who wishes to be involved in an Association should contact the team on alumni@liv.ac.uk

Shenzhen

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Hong Kong

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Malaysia

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Nepal

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Singapore

An event is planned for alumni in Singapore later this year. To ensure you are on the mailing list update your contact details by logging on to the online Alumni Community at www.liv.ac.uk/alumni.

Sri Lanka

Ambassador: Mahesh Rajapakse (LLB 2004)
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Taiwan

Following a recent dinner, local alumni are keen to develop an Association and would welcome volunteers. Please contact alumni@liv.ac.uk

Thailand

Association: University of Liverpool Thai Alumni Association
Contact: Dr Chareonsap Piyarat (PhD 2000)
Email alumni@liv.ac.uk for more information.

UAE

Ambassador: Badry Bawady (MSc Information Technology 2005)
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AUSTRALASIA

Queensland

Ambassador: Dr Brian Hudson (BA Hons Geography 1960)
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Victoria

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EUROPE

Germany

Ambassador: Dr Simon Waddington (BSc Hons Physics 1985, PhD 1988)
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Greece

There is growing interest in the possibility of an Alumni Association in Greece. For more information, please contact alumni@liv.ac.uk.

UK

The Alumni Relations team is working hard to develop geographical and business networks within the UK, particularly in London and Liverpool where larger clusters of alumni are located.

NORTH AMERICA

Canada

Ambassador: Dr J Edward Hutson (MBChB 1961)
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The Alumni team is keen to recruit regional Ambassadors to cover Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia. Contact Karen Brady karen.brady@liv.ac.uk

USA

Western USA

Ambassador: Dr Brian Jones (BEng Mechanical Engineering 1961, PhD 1965)
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SOUTH AMERICA

Peru

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Alumni Ambassadors

Alumni news from the Management School



Lucy Weston (BA English Literature 2003) is Alumni Officer for the University of Liverpool Management School. She is responsible for the coordination of alumni activity, including organising events, generating support and engaging alumni.

Lucy is also working with ULMS staff to arrange events across the world for graduates of the Management School. Those academics who are travelling overseas are planning to host receptions in a number of countries. If you would like to find out more about what's going on in your country, contact Lucy on the details below.

Contact Lucy via lucy.weston@liv.ac.uk or call +44 (0)151 795 4607

More than 50 alumni travelled to Liverpool from across the world for the second annual conference of the Football Industries MBA (FIMBA) Alumni Association.

The event was a great success and saw delegates arrive from Switzerland, France, Germany, New York, Tokyo, Trinidad and Tobago, as well as Manchester, London and Liverpool. Those who attended represented a number of different clubs and agencies, including Deloitte, UEFA (the Union of European Football Associations) and FIFA (the Fédération Internationale de Football Association).

The event featured a combination of recreational and business-orientated activities, with a focus on sharing best practice and making new contacts. An evening meal at Liverpool's Restaurant Bar and Grill gave guests the chance to renew old friendships, to network and discuss business. The next day consisted of a Continuing Professional Development and networking event, including an annual meeting, interactive workshops and discussion sessions. Speakers included David Conn, football writer for *The Guardian*, Daniel Drasdo, of MUST, the independent Manchester United Supporters Trust, Dave Boyle, Chief Executive of Supporters Direct which advises trusts how to acquire a shareholding in their club, and Sefton Perry (MBA Football Industries 2005), a club licensing officer with UEFA.

The event concluded with a trip to the UEFA Cup Final in Manchester which saw Zenit St Petersburg of Russia beat Rangers of Scotland.

Graduates of the University who work in the sports industry are welcome to apply for associate membership of the FIMBA Alumni Association. For information, please contact Lucy Weston.

NEW BENEFITS AND SERVICES

e-newsletter

ULMS alumni now have a quarterly e-newsletter containing information about developments in the School, alumni news and details of events and services. To enable you to receive your copy by email, please make sure that your contact details are up to date by registering with the online Alumni Community at www.liv.ac.uk/alumni

Services

ULMS alumni can now access a range of exclusive offers, events and information, designed with ULMS alumni's needs in mind. These facilities include management-themed social and networking events, online discussion boards and access to ULMS-specific career information and opportunities. To find out more, or to get involved in the development of the ULMS alumni association, visit www.liv.ac.uk/alumni or contact lucy.weston@liv.ac.uk

Events

Look out for details of ULMS events which will be published in the e-newsletter and online.

- * Networking events, including drinks receptions, keynote speeches and breakfast meetings, to be held biannual in London and Liverpool
- * Practical, informative workshop sessions, with presentations from academic staff and alumni
- * Annual event to be held in February 2009.

If you have any suggestions for potential events, venues, or you are interested in contributing, contact lucy.weston@liv.ac.uk

Benefits and Services

Have you logged on to your alumni community yet?

Since its launch in October 2007 the community has grown rapidly and now includes a host of new features:

- Discussion boards where alumni can discuss any amount of topics, interests, hobbies and memories
- Online event booking with a secure payment system to make staying in touch with the University easier than ever
- Association and ambassadors pages keeping you in touch with alumni in your area
- 'Class Notes' where you can leave messages for people in your year
- Benefits and Service pages – keep up to date with what being a University of Liverpool graduate can do for you
- You may also find that people are trying to contact you by looking at the 'Are you being searched for?' page
- Update your details online. These go straight through to our central database, so you know you're never going to miss the latest news
- Useful links to departments and news
- Links to other community sites, such as Facebook and LinkedIn.



We now have more than 5,000 users, demonstrating how quickly this is becoming the primary way of networking with the Alumni Office and other graduates. We are also developing more functions so that when you log on you can see personalised messages specific to your subject area.

We'd really like your thoughts on the website. Add a message to the discussion board or email emma.smith1@liv.ac.uk to let us how we can improve your e-community.

Log on and win!

Liverpool Guild of Students is offering two lucky winners two tickets to ANY forthcoming gig at the Guild (subject to availability). If you register for your online community between 27 October 2008 and 1 January 2009 you will be entered into the prize draw.

If you don't live locally or cannot get to a gig we have a Liverpool 800 book, edited by University Pro-Vice-Chancellor Professor John Belchem for the lucky winner.

Keep in touch

Don't forget to sign up to stay in touch by receiving the new alumni e-newsletters. Simply register for the online community www.liv.ac.uk/alumni

Mark Godfrey (BSc Hons Physics 1985) won the prize draw in the last issue of *insight*. He receives two tickets to see King Lear at the Everyman Theatre in Liverpool.

Being a University of Liverpool graduate has its perks at home and abroad. Take a look and see the great savings you can make and the great products on offer.

United Kingdom

Why not step back in time and stay at your former Halls of Residence?

Conference Services offer discounts on group bookings. Email conference@liv.ac.uk, call +44 (0)151 794 6440 or visit www.liv.ac.uk/conferenceservices

Accommodation

The Alumni Relations Office has teamed up with The Mersey Partnership to get fantastic hotel deals across the city. Visit www.liverpool08.com and follow the links for 'Accommodation' to see what is available.



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Hi-Life invites University of Liverpool alumni to enjoy two meals for the price of one in a FREE two-month trial at hundreds of North West restaurants, including more than 65 venues in Liverpool. From Michelin-listed gourmet establishments to popular branded chains the Hi-Life Dining Card offers something to suit everyone's taste buds. Visit www.hi-life.co.uk for a full restaurant listing or, to apply for the free trial, call +44 (0)800 458 4195 or visit www.hi-life.co.uk/ctt and quote CTT. No money will be taken until the initial two months are complete. If your trial is not cancelled the cost of a further 12 months' membership will be requested at the special price of £49.95 (RRP £69.95).

Garden discount

Ness Botanic Gardens is offering 10% discount on all standard price* garden admission to alumni. Please quote '*insight*' to receive your discount. Ness also has a great conferencing facility and is willing to negotiate discounts pending confirmation of your alumni status by the Alumni Relations team, so please ensure your contact details are up to date. Email kfhreid@liv.ac.uk or visit www.liv.ac.uk/development/projects/ness.htm

*excludes invitation only or ticketed outdoor events



10% off Books

Blackwell book store (Brownlow Hill, Liverpool ONLY) is giving 10% discount on non-sale books and stationery. Quote 'University of Liverpool alumni'. Email liverpool@blackwell.co.uk or call +44 (0)151 709 6653.

Continue or renew your access to the University Libraries. Apologies, but online journals are not available. Applications must be made in person. £25 per year/£12.50 for the first year following graduation. Visit www.liv.ac.uk/library

Guild of Students

Lifetime membership of the Guild of Students entitles you to the same access rights to events as current students for a one-off £25 payment. 10% of your total contribution goes to the Friends of the University who provide an invaluable link between the Guild and the University, and £5 gives you associate membership, allowing you to stay in touch with your old clubs and societies. Visit www.lgos.co.uk

Alumni Subscriptions offer up to 70% discounts on leading magazines when you apply online www.alumni-subscriptions.co.uk

Chocolates and truffles

One of London's oldest purveyors of fine chocolates and truffles to the Queen, Prestat Chocolates, is pleased to offer an exclusive 10% discount on its delicious range of organic handmade chocolates and truffles to alumni and members (terms apply*). To claim your discount type 'LiverpoolUni' into the code box at the online checkout at www.prestat.co.uk and click the 'claim' button. 10% of the total will be deducted from your order value.

*For full terms and conditions visit www.liv.ac.uk/alumni, click on 'Benefits and Services' and 'Discounts'.



Sports and Fitness

The University of Liverpool Sports and Fitness Centre offers various discounts. Download an application form online: www.liv.ac.uk/sports/

	Graduate	Graduated in the last 12 months	Non-graduate
Standard	£108	£80	£198
Premium	£186	£135.50	£228

Seaton Hall

Seaton Hall is one of Yorkshire's best kept secrets. An estate steeped in history, located just a short distance away from both coast and country, Seaton Hall is set in a lovely location in the pretty fishing village of Staithes, close to Whitby and the North Yorkshire Moors.

Alumnus William Kidd (BA Political Theory & Institutions 1976) has lovingly restored Seaton Hall and is offering a discount to graduates who would like to enjoy this lovely corner

of the UK. He also offers gardening appreciation courses and art appreciation course for guests staying at Seaton Hall.

William said: "I wanted to offer an opportunity to fellow graduates of the University to stay at my holiday apartments and am offering a discount of 12% on the cost of the accommodation."

Please visit www.seatonhall.co.uk or call +44 (0)800 840 4141 for full details.

National and international advantages

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history with you all the time. Not only that, but you will help the University's Benefactors' Fund just by signing up.

For every person who joins, MBNA will make a contribution and every pound you spend on your new card you will be helping our fantastic projects. See page 34 for further details.



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The new University of Liverpool

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1940s

Avril Lucas (née Otty) (BA Hons Geography 1948) has been retired from teaching since 1984 and lives in Sheffield.

Patrick Peter McCarthy (LLB Hons 1940, LLM 1942) was Secretary of the Guild 1939/40, then NUS Secretary. After University he became a solicitor in a private practice until 1975. He was Chairman, later Regional Chairman, of Industrial Tribunals in Liverpool and London, retiring in 1990. He contributed an article to issue two of *insight* on the three generations of the Unsworth alumni, having married one of them! His hobby is family history.

William Rigby (BSc Physics 1948) this year celebrated his emerald wedding anniversary. He is retired and has been a church and chapel organist for 55 years.

Joan Riley (née Patrick) (BA Hons Geography 1944) is a retired Deputy Head teacher.

1950s

David Astin (BEng Civil Engineering 1957) is retired and has been elected President of Huddersfield YMCA and is Chairman of the International Fellowship of Scouting Rotarians (RIBI Branch).

Roy Batt (BVSc 1958, BSc Hons Anatomy 1960) is retired and has published his 6th volume of poetry *Giving Voice* available from Hub Edition, Longholm, PE12 9YS.

Emeritus Professor T W Peter Brogden (BSc Hons Physics 1955, MSc 1961) is retired from teaching at Ryerson University in Toronto, Canada.

Professor Sir Miles Irving (MBChB 1959, MD 1962 and ChM 1967) has been appointed Chairman of the Order of St John Council for Northumbria and has received the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Civil Law from Northumbria University.

Richard Victor Johnson (BArch 1950) is no longer practising but still interested in architecture. He is functioning quite well at 80 by keeping active mentally and physically. He says he has vivid memories of the 1940s when the students straight from school were joined by many who had just been 'demobbed'.

Colin Mitchell (MCD Civic Design 1952) is retired but has been writing with his son Patrick Mitchell. In 2007 they published a book with Brailsford Publishing called *Landform and Terrain: The Physical Geography of Landscape*.

Richard Gareth Vaughan-Hughes (MBChB 1959) is retired and living in Wolverhampton where he was a GP from 1964-2005. He has been a Member of the Birmingham Medico-Legal Society since 1987.

1960s

William (Bill) Braithwaite (LLB Hons 1969) is a Personal Injury Barrister specialising in brain and spinal injuries. He races with his friend and fellow graduate **Howard Bentham** (LLB Hons 1969) all over the country in a Lotus Europa and Lotus Elan. They are both members of the Historic Sports Car Club.

Dr Nick Clitherow (BSc 1963 MBChB 1966) is writing a history of the development of Neurosurgery and Neurology in Liverpool. Contributions, to include photographs, from those who have worked at Walton Hospital since the inception of Neurosurgery in 1947, through to the present day services provided at the Walton Centre, would be warmly welcomed. Please forward any information/photographs by email to peter.rogan@btconnect.com

Elsbeth Hamilton (BArch Hons 1966) is an artist and, to celebrate her 65th birthday, she held a major solo exhibition of work at the View Two Gallery in Liverpool. *Lifelines* is partly retrospective and is Elspeth's debut in and homecoming to Liverpool.

Dr Christine Heading (BSc Hons Pharmacology 1966) has been awarded the Silver Charter Medal by the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain. She has been actively involved in pharmacy and pharmacology for more than 40 years within industry and academia, and in non-pharmaceutical activities within the community. The award recognises, in part, Christine's work with the National Association of Women Pharmacists. She currently works as Associate Lecturer at the Open University.

David Silverwood (BCom Hons 1963) worked for some years in an insurance company as a claims investigator/negotiator, changed career and re-trained as a Lecturer in Business and Legal Subjects. Since retiring from Staffordshire University he has travelled extensively. He spends his days trying to keep fit and aims to be self sufficient in vegetables and fruit. He pursues a practical interest in music, art and literature.

Peter George Smerd (BSc Hons Metallurgy 1964) is President of the Boulevard Building Inc., an industrial commercial real estate, developing offices and warehouses in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Bryan Sykes (BSc Hons Biochemistry 1969) is Professor of Human Genetics at the University of Oxford and founder of Oxford Ancestors, a company that allows people to trace their ancestry through their DNA.

1970s

Nigel Cooper (MCD Town Planning 1979) subsequently qualified as a surveyor and has worked at the interface between town planning and surveying for the last 29 years.

John Harrison (MCD Civic Design 1977) writes travel books and fiction as well as taking guide groups on small cruise ships in the Antarctica. The photographs below show one of the occupational hazards of tours in the Antarctic, a leopard seal just before he punctured the boat – which wasn't discovered for another 15 minutes!



Howard Hilton (MEd 1979), a JP for more than 30 years, is now retired and is aspiring to the life of an 18th century gent and hasn't had a dull day yet!

Barbara Kimm (née Andrews) (BEd 1975) is a Grade Five teacher in Canada.

Edward Kozaczek (BCom Hons 1979) is the Director of Wisla Narrow Fabrics, an industrial webbings company in Manchester.

Martin Smith (BEng Hons 1971) is the Executive Design Director at Ford of Europe.

Jonathan Stearn (BSc Geophysics Hons 1974, PhD 1978) is a principal geophysicist for Helix RDS, an oil and gas consultancy firm in Aberdeen. He is currently sailing as a volunteer Mate with Ocean Youth Trust, Scotland, voted 'sail training organisation of the year' by Sail Training International in Liverpool at the end of 2007.



1980s

Stephen Andersen (BSc Hons Geography 1989) is an IT Operational Works Manager at Three Valleys Water in Hertfordshire.

John Barber (BSc Hons Pharmacology 1983) is Director, Scientific Affairs at Alliance Pharmaceuticals. He is also currently President of the Pharmaceutical Information and Pharmacovigilance Association, a professional association for those working in the areas of medical information and drug safety science. He is also collaborating in a clinical study being sponsored by the University on sleep problems in children with neurodevelopmental disorders.

Brian Brown (BEd Hons 1985, MA English Language & Literature 1987) is Head of English at Witham Hall School in Lincolnshire.

William Russell Cook (BA Hons Economics & Accounting 1984) is the Divisional Finance Director for Mansell Construction Services in Nottingham.



Jeremy Crampton (BA Hons Geography 1983) (pictured left) is an Associate Professor in the Department of Geosciences at Georgia State University in Atlanta.

Helen Doehling (née Andrew) (BSc 1983, BSc Hons Geography 1984) is a First Grade teacher at Nisley Elementary in Colorado, USA.

Janet Duffy-Grayson (BA Hons Geography 1988) featured on the Channel Five programme *Build a New Life in the Country* after buying a farmhouse and barn which was totally uninhabitable and doing it up.

Neil Hibbert (BSc Hons Geography 1981) served for seven years in the Royal Engineers and is now a Business Development Director for DeVere hotels and conference centres in London.

Dr Ian Hudson (BSc Hons Chemistry 1989, PhD 1996) is Head of Technology and Skills at the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority in Cumbria.

Huw Jenkins (BA Social Studies 1980) left his job as chief executive of UBS's investment bank in October. He is still serving as a senior adviser to Marcel Rohner, the Chief Executive. He rose to head the investment bank's market-leading equities business before replacing Mr Costas as Chief Executive of UBS's investment bank when he left for DRCM. Before the UBS-SBC merger, Huw worked for SBC in the Asian Equities Division.

Martin Jones (BA Hons Economics 1983) is a partner in a firm of chartered accountants called Wingrave Yeats in central London, having previously worked for KPMG. He lives with wife Larène in Hampshire and still follows Chelsea FC.

David Law (BSc Hons Physics 1987) is a Plant Manager for Magnox Electric, an operation and decommissioning nuclear plant in Anglesey.

Sharon Moore (LLB 1985) worked as a solicitor specialising in family law until 2005 when she decided to write a book about love and relationships in the 21st century. *Fairy Tales*, based on her experiences in life and in practice, has now been published. (Pictured right) Visit <http://www.trafford.com/08-0090>



Simeon Paster (BSc Hons Physics 1986) has emigrated to Canada and is working for Sierra Systems as an IT consultant.

Andrew Plater (BSc Medical Cell Biology 1988) is an outage manager for British Energy in Gloucester.

Helen Remnant (née Armstrong) (BSc Hons Geography/Botany 1984) is a Senior Lecturer at Canterbury Christ Church University where she is a Programme Director of PGCE modules. She is the author of several books and articles including *Using Their Brains in Science and Teaching Sciences in the Primary Classroom – a practical approach*.

Sean James Swarbrick (MSc 1981) is a Senior Unified Model Analyst at the Met Office in Exeter.

William David Dean Williams (BEd Hons Education 1981) is an Assistant Head Teacher at Llanfyllin High School in Powys.

1990s

Heather Louise Aaron (née Saville) (MA Education 1997) is a Deputy Head teacher at Wentworth High School in Eccles.

Roger Anderton (MSc Behavioural & Evolutionary Ecology 1995) is an Associate Tutor at Edge Hill University.

Abang Affandi Anuar (MPA 1997) is a Permanent Secretary for the Ministry of Housing for the Sarawak Government in Malaysia and still follows Liverpool Football Club.

Philippa Baker (BA Hons Classics 1997) is an Assistant Tax Manager for McEwan Wallace, Chartered Accountants in Wirral.

Vivien Broughton (BSc Hons Geology 1991) was a Qualified Chartered Engineer in the oil industry until changing roles from a well design/engineering stream into HR management. She is responsible for recruitment, training, workforce and planning for 7,000 employees throughout Europe and Africa in the Transocean Drilling Company, the worlds largest drilling contractor. She was a finalist in the 2008 Mentor of the Year award in the offshore oil and gas UK Awards.

Steven Buchanan (BSc Chemistry with Industrial Chemistry 1999) is a Scientific Officer for the European Chemicals Agency in Helsinki, Finland.

Martin Castle (MCD Civic Design 1995) is training full time in Cambridge for ministry in the Church of England.

David Coward (BA Hons Modern History and Politics 1991) is a Senior Personal Adviser giving advice and guidance for young people at Connexions Leicestershire.

Andrew Crawford (BEng Engineering Science and Industrial Management 1992) is the Founder of The Book Depository, an online book store pioneering supply chain initiatives, republishing and digitizing of content which offers free delivery around the world. Visit: www.thebookdepository.com

Karen Doyle (née Murray) (LLB Hons Law 1992) qualified as a solicitor in 1995 and practised in Liverpool. She has now been appointed as a District Judge, based at Birkenhead County Court.

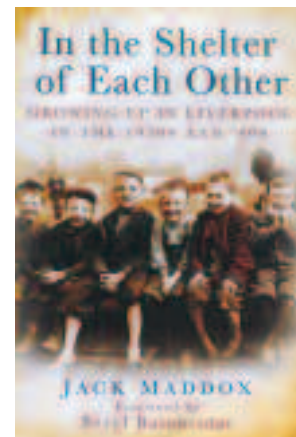
Robert Gordon (BSc Hons Physical Geology and Geomorphology 1995) is Senior Consultant with ESI Ltd, an environmental consultancy firm in Shrewsbury.

Michael John Harbon (BEng Hons Mechanical Engineering 1997, MSc Advanced Manufacturing Systems & Technology 1998) is a self employed Engineering Design Manager. He won the ICE Powers of Persuasion competition in London and has presented a paper at the IMechE conference. He is married with four children and is serving as a lay Bishop in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Laetitia Hennebel (BA Hons Combined Honours 1995) is a Police Analyst. She was a volunteer for the Rugby World Cup in 2007 working as the Assistant to the Manager of the Media Centre.

Kai Hughes (BA Hons Psychology 1997) is the Managing Director of the International Cotton Association, which regulates the world's raw cotton trade, in Liverpool.

Bushra Iqbal (Cert Race/Comm Rel 1993) was awarded an MBE for her services to community relations in Strathclyde in the 2008 New Year Honours List.



John (Jack) Maddox (MA Irish Studies 1993) has written *In the Shelter of Each Other*, (pictured left) a book about his upbringing in Liverpool during the war years. The book is available from Amazon priced £9.99.

Rafiq Ahmed Memon (MBCbB 1995) is a Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist at Reaside Clinic in Birmingham. He is a board member at Unity FM, a community radio station in Birmingham.

Michael Pace-Sigge (BA Hons English and German, 1997) is the artist who created *insight's* last front cover and the University's new MBNA credit card design (see page 34 for details). He says the University is an institution he has the



warmest feelings for and he was delighted to provide the design for this card which will raise money for the Benefactors' Fund. "To be ever more closely related with the University of Liverpool gives me great pleasure," he added. The new card is one of the first in the country to have been designed by an alumnus of the represented institution. Visit Michael's website at www.m4pictures.co.uk

Nikolaos Panagiotides (PhD Chemistry 1990) is a high school teacher in Greece.

Victoria Louise Georgia Todd (née Turner) (BSc Hons Marine Biology 1994) is Director of Ocean Science Consulting, a marine science consultancy in offshore oil and gas. She is an Honorary Research Fellow at Herriot-Watt University in Edinburgh. She is married to Ian and has a daughter, Petra.

Mohammed Bezhi Usman (PG Dip Trop Medicine and Hygiene 1997) is Director of Primary Health Care for the Ministry of Health in Nigeria.

Georgina Vause (BEng Hons Engineering Science & Industrial Management 1995, PhD Manufacturing Engineering & Industrial Studies 1999) is project manager with Sony Ericsson.

Gerard Jude Walsh (BA Hons Management & Business Studies 1990) is an Actuary and Director for Mitchell Consulting Actuaries Ltd in Manchester.

Josiane Williams (née Jawzi) (LLB Hons Law 1995) is a solicitor in Lancashire.

Keim-Kur Wong (MEng Mechanical Engineering 1992) is the Director of Global Sourcing, Honeywell Electrical Devices & Systems, a wiring accessories and electronics manufacturer with a global manufacturing and distribution footprint, owning brands such as MK Electric and Friedland. He spends much of his time travelling as the company recently entered into an agreement with a Chinese wiring accessories manufacturer with manufacturing in Zhongshan, Guangdong province. He leads a team of 65 people located globally across nine factories and two office facilities.

2000s

Joanna Clare Adkins (BA Hons Latin American Studies with Spanish 2002) is a Missionary working with adults and children at risk in the poorest drug and crime ridden area of Managua, capital of Nicaragua.

Sara Louise Ball (BSc Hons Zoology with Evolutionary Psychology 2006) is studying for a Masters of Research at the University of Leeds in Biodiversity and Conservation.

Rachel Bott (LLB 2008) was awarded the 2008 Employment Law Shield by Liverpool solicitors' firm EAD. The prize recognises the student who achieved the highest grade in their employment law paper.

Melissa Buttle (BA Hons Combined Honours in Art 2004) is a primary teacher in East Yorkshire.

Heather Clay (BSc Hons Human Movement Science 2000) is a Marketing & Communications Associate for GlobeOp Financial Services, a financial technology company in London.



Rhian Cradock (BA Hons Archaeology 2002) is pub landlord of The Feathers Inn in Hedley on the Hill in Northumberland with his partner Helen Greer. They have just won two prestigious food titles – Northumbria Dining Pub of the Year 2008 by the *Good Pub Guide* and Rhian was voted North East UKTV Food Hero by Gary Rhodes and Brian Turner.

Paul Edward Francis (BSc Hons Mathematics 2000) is an Audit Supervisor for accountants Saffery Champness in London.



Dr Laura Grant (BSc Hons Physics 2001, PhD Physics 2005) (pictured left) hailed by *The Sunday Times* as the 'femme fatale of physics' is an Honorary Research Fellow at this University and has been thrust into the limelight after being asked to co-present a six-part series on the Discovery channel called *The Big Experiment*.

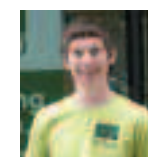
Stacey Heaton (BSc Hons Human Anatomy and Cell Biology 2006) is a Trainee Clinical Vascular Scientist at Wythenshaw Hospital in Manchester currently studying toward full accreditation with the Society for Vascular Technology for Great Britain and Ireland. She is also undertaking a postgraduate course in Medical Ultrasound.

David Hounsell (BA Hons Economics 2008) and his father **Duncan** (BA Hons Pure Mathematics 1973) (pictured right) celebrated a 'double first' this Summer. Both received First Class degrees – but 35 years apart. Duncan said: "It was a very proud moment. David chose Liverpool, like me, because of the course. In his first year, David was at Roscoe Hall of Residence just as I was. He even noticed me on a group photo taken in 1971 on a wall in the Halls!" David, who was also awarded the GLS Shackle prize in economic theory, has taken up a voluntary placement with VSO in Morocco before joining the Government Economic Service in the New Year. Duncan's career is as a maths teacher in secondary schools.



FenFen Huang (BA Hons Environment & Planning 2004) staged the Spring Sonata Chinese Lantern Festival Culture Show for Liverpool's European Capital of Culture 2008 which featured a series of modern dance styles such as rumba and ballroom.

Saif Ul Islam (MBA Business Admin 2007) is the Operations Organisation Development Manager for British American Tobacco, retailers of tobacco in London.



Brothers Phil (BA Hons Financial Economics 2004) (pictured left) and **Jon Kirby** (MA Politics and Mass Media 2007) are taking on the high street coffee shops with a new venture in Liverpool. Brew Tea Bar is located at the heart of the city's commercial quarter and serves an array of individually created loose leaf teas and even includes a tea unique to Liverpool – the Scouser's Breakfast. Visit www.brewteabar.co.uk

Carolynne Mayne-Beeton (née Mayne-Smith) (BA Hons German 2002) is Accounts Manager for Merseybeams Ltd, a firm specialising in concrete beams for the construction industry. She is married and has one son.

Amit Modha (BA Hons Economics and Computer Science 2004) is a Private Banker at Coutts & Co in London.

Elizabeth Pearce (née Garriock) (BSc Hons Geology 2001) says: "I was newly retired from teaching when I began my degree in 1998, purely out of fascination with the subject. To get a First Class Honours was a joy indeed – a really amazing three years with superb tutors and fellow students. I recommend the process of a degree course for other retirees!"

Thomas Platten (BA Hons Politics 2006) since graduating has taken a postgraduate Diploma in Theatre Directing. He has also formed his own theatre company called Gilt and Grime and is about to start directing Ceryl Churchill's *Vinegar Tom*.

Nicholas Pym (MBA 2005) is Director, UK Editorial-Production, of Reed Elsevier, a publishing company.

Vicki Sheppard (BA Hons Politics & Communication Studies 2004) is a Senior Counsellor for the HSBC Bank. She completed the Three Peaks Challenge last year in aid of the Lord Mayor's Appeal.

Claire Strange (BA Hons Criminology & Sociology 2006) is a Drug Key Worker and is getting married on Valentines Day in 2009.

Nadine Wainwright (BSc Hons Physiology 2002, BVSc Veterinary Science 2007) is an Assistant Veterinary Surgeon for D C Woodward in Leicestershire.

Christopher Wallbank (BA Hons English Language & Literature 2007) is training to be a teacher. He is also the lead singer of the band Chris Wallbank and the Cowards who have recently played a sell-out gig supporting John Power and have released an EP in Japan.

Nicola Watson (BA Hons European Business Studies & Spanish 2005) works for Altrincham public relations agency RMS.

Keith Weiner (MSc Information Technology 2007) is a Senior Clinical Systems Analyst for Eclipsys Corporation, a healthcare software company in the US.

Aaron Young (BA Hons Politics & Communication Studies 2003) is a Producer at Maya Vision International, an independent film and television production company. He has worked on several projects including the BBC Michael Wood series *In Search of Myths & Heroes*.

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STAFF, STUDENTS AND HONORARY GRADUATES

Brenda Ashcroft, Domestic Assistant at Derby and Rathbone Hall for 26 years.

Joyce Bazire, Assistant Lecturer in English Languages 1946-1949, Lecturer in English Language 1949-1966 and Senior Lecturer in English Language from 1966 until her retirement in 1983. Miss Bazire was Acting Head of the Department of English Language 1974-1975 and Warden of Rankin Hall 1959-1972 and a generous supporter of the University.

Sir Arthur C Clarke (Hon LLD 1995) visionary science fiction writer of more than 100 books.

Professor Eric Derouane, formerly Director of the Leverhulme Centre for Innovative Catalysis from 1995-2002.

Tony Doyle, Building Manager from 1992 until his retirement in 2002, who continued to assist with the University degree ceremonies as Esquire Bedell. His role involved carrying the ceremonial mace.

Walter Hare, Clerk in the General Office of the Administrative Department from 1967 until taking over the role of managing the Publications Office in 1969. He became Assistant Registrar in 1983 and retired as Senior Assistant Registrar in the Editorial and Publishing Office in 1988.

Sir John Henry Harvey-Jones (Hon LLD 1986), former Chairman of ICI and Patron of GNOSIS, a management research initiative in the University of Liverpool Management School.

Carys Wyn-Jones, Welfare & Accommodation Officer for more than 20 years prior to her retirement in 1998. She was awarded an MBE for her outstanding services and devotion to students.

Dr Kenneth Richard James Hearne (BSc 1955, BSc Hons 1956, PhD 1960), an undergraduate, postgraduate, and later Lecturer in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Electronics.

Professor George K Hunter, Lecturer, later Senior Lecturer in English Literature 1958-1964, a distinguished Shakespeare scholar.

Harold Jones, Porter at Derby and Rathbone Hall from 1990 until his retirement in 2000.

William Laceley, a member of the technical team in the Department of Engineering for more than 19 years, prior to his retirement in 2003.

Samuel Alasdair Munro JP (BA Hons Geography 1957, CertEd 1958), former Chairman of Convocation and an active member of the Standing Committee of Convocation.

Sir David Orr (Hon LLD 1989) Chairman of Unilever, Inchcape, the British Council and the Globe Theatre Trust and former Chancellor of Queen's University Belfast. He was awarded a Military Cross and Bar in the Second World War.

Dr John Padley, who was Academic Secretary, becoming Deputy Registrar from 1976 until 1982.

Charles Kenneth Wilson (LLB Hons 1951) a benefactor of the Faculty of Law Centenary Appeal and one of the founder members of the Faculty of Law Association (now the University of Liverpool Law Association). He was also a member of the Standing Committee of Convocation and served as Clerk and Chairman of Convocation.

Patricia Hamilton Wood, Secretary in Liverpool University Press from 1971, until her retirement in 1994.

"I'm so pleased I've got another three years to go!"

Joel Woodard, a Second Year French student, has just completed his first year at Liverpool – and he loved it so much he didn't want to go home for the Summer!

He shared his experiences with *insight*.



When I arrived in Liverpool on the first day of Freshers' Week, like most other people I experienced a mixture of emotions; excitement, anticipation, and most of all fear of being left on my own for the first time!

Then I realised that there were hundreds of other students in exactly the same situation as myself and I guess this served as a catalyst to start branching out and making friends. It was a lot easier than I thought, and really helped me settle in quickly.

So when I'd settled in and the nerves had subsided, it was time to knuckle down and start going to lectures. After initially being late for my registration, I found that the staff were incredibly helpful when it came to solving any problems that arose. In school I was used to sitting in silence all day and really just writing down what I was told, so a university education

came as a refreshing change. What I found great was the ability to interact with the lecturers, have conversations and ask questions, that sort of thing. There was more of a focus on individual study as well, and I found that you can come unstuck if you haven't been keeping up outside class!

Another aspect I welcomed was the option to mould your education into something more personal. You can pick your own modules to suit your particular tastes and focus upon your strengths.

So what about the social side of University? I think this really made my first year an experience, as opposed to just an education alone. One of the best things was the fantastic diversity of people studying in Liverpool that I had the privilege to get to know – people from all parts of the globe as well as from all over the UK. Being from a small village, I'd only had limited exposure to the global community so this was a refreshing change for me, and I'm very grateful for having the chance to make a great group of friends during my time in Liverpool so far.

Out of all the cities in the UK, I think that Liverpool is one of the best to spend time in if you are considering higher education. With the plethora of clubs, pubs, and a fantastic history and culture, I found it difficult to fit everything in to my first year, but I definitely tried my best! I'm pleased when I remember that I have a further three years left in which to make more friends, and experience more of what Liverpool has on offer. I couldn't wait for September!

Guild's **new** blueprint

Liverpool Guild of Students has gone through some major changes in the past 12 months.

With new, more open, governing structures aimed at allowing our members to participate on their own terms, LGoS will be much more about students having a hand in their own experience. Bureaucratic structures have been removed – if a group of students want to campaign, act on or investigate something – they can. If they need support from LGoS – they can simply ask for it.

The biggest change is the formation of the Board of Trustees. The Board consists of 12 trustees: four full time student representative officers, four student trustees and four external trustees who are selected for their

experience. The full-time student representative officers, formerly known as sabbaticals, are the President Danielle Grufferty (pictured right), Deputy President Liz Williams and the Vice Presidents Ed Moloney and Rob Labinski. They were elected in March with a record turnout of 3,500 votes – a 98% increase on last year.

This year, the societies have developed into activity groups. These groups, in turn, have been categorised under a number of headings - affecting change, sharing activity, celebrating culture, celebrating faith, media and performing arts, and academic. This not only makes support for student activities more varied and inclusive, but more cost effective too, with the entire allotted budget going to our activity groups. Activity



groups have collaborated in two large-scale events this year at the Winter Jamboree and Culture Fusion. Fundraising has also been a popular theme this year, with activity groups such as Bodysoc, EnglishSoc, Islamic Society, Drama and RAG raising more than £20,000 for a variety of societies.

RAG is also looking to involve alumni in organising a fundraising event this year – guaranteed to bring back memories for those involved with Panto in the past! For more information, please email Jen Anderson, LGoS Volunteering and Fundraising Coordinator, at j.anderson@liv.ac.uk

The Guild's reputation for great live events continues. This



semester saw Liverpool's first Roller Disco and Silent Disco, where clubbers listen to the music through headphones, as well as acts like James and Ian Brown taking to the stage. Bands including Pendulum, Elbow, Scouting for Girls, The Hoosiers, The Courteeners and Feeder are set to play before Christmas.

For more information visit www.lgos.org/events

Vets travel from far and wide

Alumni came from across the world to attend the reunion of the 1967 Veterinary Science graduates.

Three classmates travelled from overseas - Bruce Mitchell from Australia, Malcolm Roberts from the USA and Barry Williams from France - while a further 15 came from across the UK with their spouses and partners to attend the event which took place at Branscombe in Devon.

The reunion was organised by Tony Williamson and David Redfern, and its legacy is an online Yahoo group, set up by Derek Lyon, to allow the alumni to share memories and photographs.

Derek said: "The event was really enjoyable. The amazing thing was that no one had altered in any way apart from a few grey hairs!"

"Several colleagues brought photographs of those far off days and friends who could not attend had written tendering their apologies and their letters were on display. One member who now lives in Canada later sent photos too. Tales and recollections flowed but most retired to bed at a time far too early compared to University days!

"We have promised to keep in touch and perhaps even manage a 50th reunion."

For more information about the Yahoo group email Derek at dglyon9@aol.com



Susan Alston, Mel Roberts, Joan Crowe (BSc Hons Genetics 1965), Tony Crowe (BSc Hons Chemistry 1964), Gillian Knowles (BVSc Veterinary Science 1984), James Miller (BEng Electrical Engineering 1968), Sue Smallbone, Charlie Smallbone (BA Hons Philosophy 1975), Maureen Jepson and Paul Jepson (BVSc Veterinary Science 1972)

Racegoers gather at Ascot

Alumni and donors gathered at Ascot for a great day's racing.

The gathering, now in its third year, was made possible by the generous hospitality of Paul Roy (BA Hons Economics 1968). Paul is Chairman of the University's Development Foundation, a member of the institution's Veterinary Development Board, and Chairman of the British Horseracing Authority.

The guests heard about new developments at the University including plans to develop the Philip Leverhulme Equine Hospital with two new research centres. Fundraising for a Centre

for Equine Colic is already underway and detailed plans are being drawn up for a Centre for Equine Performance.

The day received an unexpected boost when the last syndicated bet, placed on a horse called Hatton's Flight, returned more than £800 to the group. The winnings were donated to the Equine Hospital and the gift has already been put to good use with the installation of a CCTV camera in one of the surgical recovery boxes. This will assist the close monitoring of individual horses and will also help build data for research purposes.

Peter Bowling, Clinical Director of Philip Leverhulme Equine Hospital (BVSc Veterinary Science 1997), Howard Robinson (BVSc Hons Veterinary Science 1973) and Paul Jepson (BVSc Veterinary Science 1972)



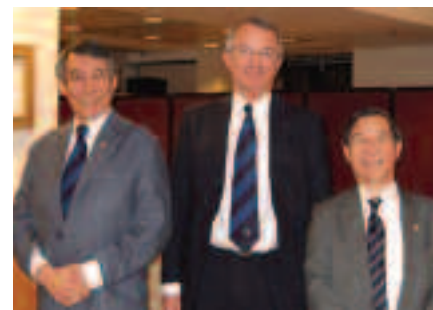
Did you play for the University golf team?

The Alumni Relations team and Sport Liverpool, the institution's sport directorate, would like to invite all former team members - and particularly whole teams - to the prestigious Royal Liverpool Golf Club at Hoylake, Wirral, for a tournament on 17 April 2009.

The day will include a round of golf and dinner at the club. Teams will play a four-ball round.

Places are very limited so book your place now.

Contact Clare Wride on +44 (0)151 795 4609 or email clare.wride@liv.ac.uk



Professor Sir Howard Newby with Chamson Chau (Dipl Civic Design 1959, Hon LLD 1994) and Dr Nelson Yu (Hon LLD 1999)

Civic Design centenary event

The University's Department of Civic Design, the world's oldest planning school, will be celebrating its centenary in 2009 with a host of special events.

One highlight will be an exhibition featuring the history of the Department and the influence it has had upon planning education, research and practice over the last 100 years. There will also be a celebratory dinner and a series of lectures given by leading international academics and practitioners.

Throughout its existence the Department has edited the *Town Planning Review*, one of the leading journals in its field. The Review will celebrate 100 years of publication in 2010 and there are plans to publish specially commissioned papers focusing on the key developments in planning practice and theory since the journal was founded.

Details of all these events will be confirmed nearer the time, but anyone who is interested can check for updates via the online Alumni Community at www.liv.ac.uk/alumni or Professor Peter Batey at P.W.J.Batey@liv.ac.uk



Former Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Drummond Bone with a globe presented to him by James Lo, President of the Graduates Association

Vets reunited

Graduates from the Faculty of Veterinary Science were reunited thanks to Liverpool's status as European Capital of Culture 2008.

They were in the city to attend the British Equine Veterinary Association (BEVA) Annual Congress, which was being held at the impressive new arena and conference centre on the banks of the Mersey. Liverpool was specially chosen to host the event during its special year.

While they were in the city, graduates of the Faculty enjoyed an afternoon of free Continuing Professional Development taught by their past lecturers at the Sherrington Building on the University campus. The topics covered at their sessions ranged from developments in oncology to the benefits of MRI and laparoscopy.

The event was followed by a drinks reception and exclusive access to the University's new Victoria Gallery & Museum.

The Alumni Relations team would like to thank all those who attended, with special thanks to Tony Collins (BVSc 1979) who helped organise the evening.

Hong Kong welcomes Vice-Chancellor

The University of Liverpool Graduate Association (Hong Kong) held an enthusiastic welcome event for the University's new Vice-Chancellor.

Professor Sir Howard Newby and his wife, Lady Sheila Newby, were guests at the Hong Kong Jockey Club. The event was attended by 70 alumni, including one of our Alumni Ambassadors Qiu Hao (LLM International Business Law 2004) who travelled from Shenzhen.

Special thanks go out to James Lo, President of Liverpool Graduate Association Hong Kong (BEng Hons Civil Engineering 1980) for his continued support throughout the organisation of this event.



Tom Ennis and Mel McDonald with Professor Sir Howard Newby. Tom and Mel are the first students to benefit from work placements at XJTLU

Shanghai graduates get together

Graduates from across Shanghai came together for a dinner at the city's Portman Ritz Carlton Hotel.

Guests had the chance to meet fellow graduates, as well as Professor Sir Howard Newby, who succeeded Professor Sir Drummond Bone as Vice-Chancellor of the University in the Summer. Those attending included the international Alumni Ambassadors for Shanghai and Beijing, Simon Jin (LLM International Business Law 2001) and James Yu (MA Applied Linguistics 2004).

Simon told the audience: "The University changed our lives, not only for the academic education we received, but also because of the personality of our tutors and the spirit of this institution which we can still feel every day. This is helping us develop our careers and will help us to become successful business leaders, reputable professors or even controversial politicians."

"The Shanghai Alumni Association encourages its members in each and every achievement and continues to work with the University to ensure we are all connected. There is a Chinese saying that relationships or 'guanxi' are critical in terms of whatever you want to do in this country. When you take care of your people, you will be taken care of too."

The event, which included representatives from the British Council and the Liverpool Shanghai Partnership, was a great success and follows a very popular reunion in Shanghai in Spring 2007.



Professor PC Ching (BEng 1977, PhD 1981), James Lo (BEng Civil Engineering 1980) President of the Graduates Association, Professor Sir Howard Newby, CC Tung (BEng Hons 1964) and Edmund PK Lee (BEd Hons 1987)



Simon Jin (LLM International Business Law 2001) Alumni Ambassador Shanghai

Calling all MChOrth graduates!

Dr Ramkewal Shah (MChOrth 1992), Alumni Ambassador for Nepal, would like to get in touch with fellow MChOrth Liverpool graduates with a view to forming an Alumni Association.

The main aim for the Association will be to serve as a social and business networking group for its members.

If you are interested, please contact Karen Brady, Head of Alumni Relations, at karen.brady@liv.ac.uk

Attention Cuban alumni!

Convocation Football Club, which is made up of University of Liverpool graduates, is taking its latest foreign tour to Cuba.

The team will be visiting the country for a week from Monday 3 November. They will be playing a team from Havana University and a team from the main hospital in Colon, as the players are fund-raising for the hospital.

The team would be delighted to meet with other alumni living in Cuba during their visit. For more information please email alumni@liv.ac.uk

West Coast hosts graduate events

Kate Robertson, Director of Development and Alumni Relations, caught up with alumni on a whistle-stop visit to the West Coast of the USA.

She met graduates in Los Angeles and San Francisco and says it was great to get their views.

Kate added: "There were lots of really excellent and thoughtful ideas about ways in which the University's alumni programme could be developed to better embrace those living in the States. The appointment of our Alumni

Ambassador for that region, Dr Brian Jones (BEng Hons Mech Eng 1961, PhD 1965), is a step in the right direction towards being more proactive, but there's more we want to do from Liverpool too.

"The people I met very much supported our plans to establish our own American charitable foundation so we shall be pursuing this in the coming months. The possibility of an annual event and even some local fundraising to support student exchanges,

scholarships or bursaries, was also mentioned by a number of people.

"The really great thing about meeting our alumni was how much I learned about the University's past, and its people, which came out of all the amazingly vivid anecdotes they were willing to share with me. I can also report that ardent support for the Merseyside football teams is as strong as ever among our West Coast alumni, with a roughly equal balance for the blues and the reds!"



Peter Milner (BSc BioChemistry 1978, MBChB 1980) shown here in his ARYx Therapeutics labs in Fremont, CA took time to catch up with the University's plans to establish a Centre for Personalised Medicines in the old Royal Infirmary



Bill Grantham (BA Hons English Literature and Language, 1976), now practising law in LA, enjoyed reminiscing about the English Department's enviable strengths during the 1970s, and hoped for opportunities in 2016 for celebrating the 400th anniversary of William Shakespeare's death



Simon Matthews (BSc Physics and Electronics 1978), Theodore Havinis (MEng Microelectronic Systems & Telecommunications 1987), Peter Milner (BSc Hons Biochemistry 1978, MBChB 1980), Michael Corcoran (BA Political Theory & Institutions 1981) and Lynne Corcoran (BSc Chemistry 1981)



Kamalneet Kaur (MSc in IT 2007), Kate Robertson (BA Hons Combined1990), Debbie Jones, Dr Brian Jones (BEng Mechanical Engineering 1961, PhD 1965), Dr Stephen Lau (BSc Biochemistry 1978, PhD 1982), Janet Sandoval, Philip Rorex (current online student of MSc in IT), Professor Aamea Walker (BSc Biochemistry 1973, PhD 1976), Greg Ryan (MA Popular Music Studies 2001), Oz Motas

Lords' reception

Alumni met in the stunning surroundings of the House of Lords for a Summer drinks reception.

Many of the visitors took the opportunity to find out more about the building on a guided tour, before they joined their host, Lord Wade of Chorlton (Hon LLD 2006), and the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Sir Drummond Bone, Vice-Chancellor designate, Professor Sir Howard Newby, along with Chancellor, Lord David Owen, for the event.

This was the last alumni engagement that Professor Sir Drummond Bone undertook in his role as Vice-Chancellor and provided the first opportunity for Professor Sir Howard Newby to meet alumni in London.

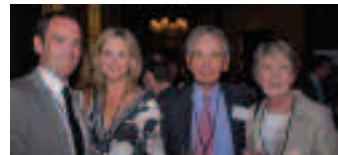
The Alumni Relations team would like to extend a special thank you to Ian G Scott (BSc Ordinary Degree 1974, BSc Hons Bio Chemistry 1976) who provided all of the photographs of the evening. For copies of the images contact emma.smith1@liv.ac.uk who will put you in touch with Mr Scott.



Graham Taylor, James Staunton, Elizabeth Taylor (BSc Hons Pharmacology 1965, Diploma in Prescribing Science 2004) and Dr Ruth Staunton (née Berry, MBChB Medicine 1960)



Edmund Crighton and Andrew Fleming (BA Arts Flexible degree pathway 2005) with partner, Alexandra Hamilton



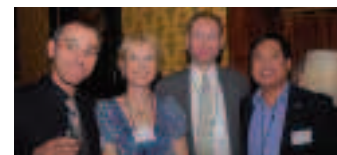
Simon Freeman, *Harley Street* actress Kim Medcalf and alumnus Kenneth Freeman (MBChB Medicine 1944) with his wife Pamela



Dr Alan Leadbetter (BSc Hons Chemistry 1954, PhD 1957), Brenda Leadbetter, John Blackburn (BSc Hons Chemistry 1957) and Tony Tansley (BSc Chemistry 1956) were reunited at the event after 50 years



Rebecca Austin (BA Economic & Social History 2007) with her father John, along with John and Victoria Neville (BA Hons History & Modern Politics 1989)



Richard Simpson (BSc Mathematics & Computer Science 1985), Mary-Jane Harris, Keith Labbett (BCom Commerce 1971) and Hong Sayasith

Medics and Engineers reunite!

1953

Medics from the class of 1953 got together for their 55th anniversary this Summer. A lunch was held at Caldys Golf Club, Wirral. This was the last formal reunion the alumni plan to hold, but smaller informal gatherings will still be held annually.



Class of 53 reunion

1988

Medical graduates from the class of 1988 held their 20th anniversary reunion in Liverpool – and plans are already underway for their 25-year celebration!

The guests enjoyed dinner at the city's Radisson Hotel. Dozens of alumni attended and organiser, Dr Liz Naylor (MBChB 1988), said the event was voted a great success.

If any 1988 medical graduates would like to be involved in the 25th reunion in 2013 please email Liz at liz.naylor@nhs.net

1948

Nearly a third of the Engineering graduates of 1948 celebrated their 60th anniversary reunion with a lunch at their alma mater.

The alumni, along with many of their wives, were joined at the Liverpool Medical Institution by the Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Professor Ieuan Owen, who spoke of the changes to the way the subject is taught at Liverpool, and the dramatic impact capital projects are having on the Faculty buildings.

The group enjoyed a buffet lunch and lots of reminiscing, in the course of which it was discovered that they boasted there were three sportsmen who had represented the University in the 1940s. Cox Michael Whelan (BEng Hons Civil Engineering 1948, MEng Civil Engineering 1951) was a successful rower, Fred Hadrill (DEng Hons Electrical Engineering 1948) excelled at rugby, while athlete Jack Parker (BEng Hons Civil Engineering 1948) represented England at hurdles in the 1952 Olympics and 1956 Melbourne Olympics.

The reunion was a great success and another will soon be arranged, though at a somewhat shorter interval than the previous 25th, 50th and 60th anniversaries!



1959

Plans are well underway for a reunion of the Medics of 1959.

The graduates will celebrate their golden anniversary next year with a trip back to the city and the University.

The event, on Friday 19 and Saturday 20 June, is being organised by Dr Anthony Fortune-Jones (MBChB Hons 1959). He has arranged dinner at The Liner Hotel in the city on both evenings, along with a discounted rate for accommodation of £98 per room per night, including breakfast. Tours of the city and the campus are also planned.

Email him at tony@fortune-jones.eclipse.co.uk if you would like to attend. To book rooms at The Liner call +44 (0)151 709 7050 quoting code EVEN 1906.

1978

Civil Engineering graduates from the class of 1978 came back to campus for a reunion this year.

They found many changes had taken place during the 30 years since their graduation. Their department has merged into the larger Department of Engineering, and, following its recent refurbishment, the Civil Engineering Building has now been renamed the Brodie Tower in honour of the famous Liverpool Civil Engineer, John Alexander Brodie. He was President of the Institution of Civil Engineers between 1920 and 1921, an Associate

Professor of Engineering at the University and, perhaps more importantly on Merseyside, he invented and patented football nets.

Over lunch in the Brodie Tower, the Liverpool graduates were able to chat with a few of their former teachers, some who had retired and others who still teach at the University. The alumni then had the opportunity to view many of the exciting changes which have taken place in Liverpool over the past three decades, including the refurbishment of the Albert Dock and the development of the Liverpool ONE retail area.

Young footballers

After the success of their tour to Edinburgh last Summer, Liverpool Graduates FC faced a tough challenge by taking on semi-professional side Lancaster City.

A squad of 13, captained by David Wilkinson (BA History 2006), travelled up to Lancaster's Giant Axe Stadium to face the Unibond First Division club.

Lancaster started the game as favourites and a 25 yard effort just beat Liverpool goalkeeper Reg Halstead (BSc Mathematics 2006) and Lancaster took a 1-0 lead. But the Graduates pushed forward looking for a deserved equaliser and, five minutes before the half time whistle, forward Jay McDonald (DEGREE**) finally carved open the Lancaster defence slotting the ball past the goalkeeper to make it 1-1.

In the second half it wasn't long before the Graduates took the lead, McDonald once again getting on the score sheet with a 30-yard chip. Halstead was called into action a couple of times with some top class saves before McDonald completed his hat trick by scoring a magnificent long range effort, from within his own half, that sailed over the helpless Lancaster goalkeeper and into the net. He finally scored his fourth to give Liverpool Graduates a fantastic victory.

Graduates' player manager Adam Goodridge (BSc Maths & Statistics 2006) said: "I knew our lads would be a match for Lancaster and I knew it would be a closely fought game but to come away with a 4-1 victory is amazing. Lancaster have asked for a rematch as part of their pre season preparations which is fantastic for this club and another big game for us all to look forward to."

2008

October 08

King Lear at the Everyman

(Sponsored by the University of Liverpool)

**Thursday 30 October –
Saturday 29 November 2008,
times various**

Everyman Theatre, Hope Street,
Liverpool L1 9BH
Ticket prices vary



As *insight* went to press, this event was looking like a sell-out but there may still be a few tickets available. Directed by Rupert Goold and starring Honorary Graduate Pete Postlethwaite (Hon LittD 2006) in the title role, this promises to be one of the highlights of the European Capital of Culture year. Telephone +44 (0)151 706 9115 to book your tickets.

November 08

Shipping Lines Liverpool Literary Festival

Monday 3 - Sunday 9 November 2008

Various venues across the city

Ticket prices vary – 10% discount available to alumni*

As part of Liverpool's year as Capital of Culture and the National Year of Reading, the University of Liverpool - working in partnership with the Bluecoat, Liverpool Libraries, BBC Radio Merseyside, BBC Radio 3 and publishing industry representatives - presents the Shipping Lines Liverpool Literary Festival.



Speakers include Philip Pullman, Monica Ali, Carol Ann Duffy, Roger McGough and many more, while activities include lectures, readings, creative workshops and discussions.
*To book, alumni should call the Philharmonic Box Office on +44 (0)151 709 3789 and quote LLF 08ULA and request their 10% discount. For information about the festival please email events@thereader.org.uk, call +44 (0)151 794 2287 or visit www.liv.ac.uk/literaryfestival

Remembrance Day, War Memorial Service

Tuesday 11 November 2008, 11am service

Entrance Hall, Victoria Gallery & Museum. University of Liverpool. Brownlow Hill, Liverpool L69 3DR

FREE

The Victoria Gallery & Museum, home to the University's two war memorials, will serve as the venue for a remembrance service commemorating the students and staff who gave their lives during the World Wars and subsequent conflicts. Join students, staff and alumni to pay your respects to those who lost their lives. Contact susan.auton@liv.ac.uk on +44 (0)151 794 2072 if you would like to attend.

Liverpool Pub Quiz

Thursday 13 November 2008, doors open 7.30pm and quiz starts 8.00pm

Gilmour Hall, Liverpool Guild of Students. Mount Pleasant, Liverpool L3 5TR

FREE

Following on from the success of our previous quizzes, here's another opportunity to pit your wits against other alumni, staff and students. The teams to beat are Who Plans Wins and Careers for Fears. Remember there is a prize for the best team name too! You need to register your team members and Captain before the quiz (team size is capped at six people, including the Captain). You can register online (the first name entered will be assumed to be the Captain) or by emailing emma.smith1@liv.ac.uk or calling +44 (0)151 794 6940.

ULMS Alumni Networking Event, Liverpool


Hosted by the University of Liverpool Management School (ULMS)

Wednesday 12 November 2008, 6.30pm – 8.30pm

University of Liverpool Management School, Chatham Street, Liverpool, L69 7ZH

FREE

This is the first of a new series of events, designed specifically with ULMS alumni in mind. Open to all University of Liverpool alumni working in the fields of business and management, this informal business oriented event will open with keynote speeches and will round up with an informal 'speed-networking' opportunity accompanied by drinks and canapés. The evening is appropriate for alumni at every stage of their career, so join us and meet up with classmates, establish business contacts and celebrate a new era for the ULMS Alumni Association. Priority will be given to bookings from ULMS alumni. Visit www.liv.ac.uk/alumni for the latest details. To express your interest in attending the event, or to request further information, contact Lucy Weston, Alumni Officer (ULMS); lucy.weston@liv.ac.uk or call +44 (0)151 795 4607.



Lord Owen and Roger Bolton: In Sickness and In Power
– Book signing and interview

Monday 17 November 2008, 6.30pm-8.30pm
The Royal Medical Society, 1 Wimpole Street, London W1G 0AE
£15.00

Following the success of his book *In Sickness and In Power* (Methuen, 2007), the Right Honourable Lord Owen, University Chancellor, takes to the stage to be interviewed by alumnus and BBC broadcaster Roger Bolton (BA Hons Philosophy and English 1967). This glimpse into the minds and mental health of some of the world's most famous leaders offers a rare opportunity for people to see the reality behind the public façade, interpreted by someone from within the political sphere. Enlightening and intriguing; don't miss this interview. Light refreshments and book signing will take place afterwards.

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ULMS Alumni Networking Event, London

Hosted by the University of Liverpool Management School (ULMS)

Thursday 27 November 2008, 6.30pm-8.30pm

Venue tbc

FREE

Meet academics and alumni from University of Liverpool Management School in the heart of London for the first of a new series of events, designed specifically with ULMS alumni in mind. Open to all University of Liverpool alumni working in the fields of business and management, this informal business oriented event will open with keynote speeches and will round up with an informal 'speed-networking' opportunity accompanied by drinks and canapés. The evening is appropriate for alumni at every stage of their career, so join us and meet up with classmates, establish business contacts and celebrate a new era for the ULMS Alumni Association. Priority will be given to bookings from ULMS alumni. Visit www.liv.ac.uk/alumni for the latest details.

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December 08

Public Lecture: Willy Russell

Monday 1 December 2008, 6.30pm

Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Hall. Hope Street, Liverpool L1 9BP

FREE



Born and raised in Liverpool, the former ladies' hairdresser and world-renowned playwright Willy Russell has received critical acclaim for *Educating Rita*, *Shirley Valentine* and *Blood Brothers*. More recently his novel, *The Wrong Boy*, and his CD, *Hoovering the Moon*, have repositioned him as an author and songwriter. In this lecture Willy shares his experiences of growing up in Liverpool and his success as a writer and composer. Places are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Call +44 (0)151 794 2650

Details of the 2009 Public Lecture Series will be available in the New Year.

Visit www.liv.ac.uk/events for more details



'Tis the season to be jolly!

Thursday 4 December 2008, 6pm-8pm
Victoria Gallery & Museum. University of Liverpool.
Brownlow Hill, Liverpool L69 3DR
£10

- Forget about 'bah humbug' and enjoy some peace and goodwill this December. Join alumni, staff and Friends of the University for seasonal readings and light refreshments in the Victoria Gallery & Museum. Just what you need to get the festive season started.

Visit www.liv.ac.uk/alumni and click on Events and reunions for more details.

Graduation Day

Monday 8 December 2008

The Alumni Relations team will be out and about on campus trying to meet as many new graduates as possible. If you're graduating with a second degree with the University of Liverpool, or at the University to watch families and friends graduate, make sure you go and visit the team in the Guild of Students to pick up your alumni lapel pin and be sure to register for University of Liverpool Alumni Online www.liv.ac.uk/alumni

Karen Brady, Head of Alumni Relations, will be hosting an alumni event in Bangkok on 1 December. For further details and to register your interest please contact karen.brady@liv.ac.uk

February 09

ULMS Alumni Annual Event

Thursday 19 February 2009, 6.30pm-8.30pm

University of Liverpool Management School, Chatham Street, Liverpool, L69 7ZH
FREE

Alumni are invited to attend a lively discussion event based on the School's key themes of growth, innovation and enterprise development in the context of how business can be a vehicle for change with the right leaders. The evening will open with a welcome speech from Professor Murray Dalziel, Director of ULMS, short presentations and a question and answer session with a panel made up of alumni and business leaders at the height of their careers. Put your questions to the panel and enjoy light refreshments after the discussions. All alumni are welcome but priority will be given to ULMS alumni. Further details of this event will be available to view at www.liv.ac.uk/alumni from December 2008.

To express your interest in attending the event, or to request further information, please contact Lucy Weston, Alumni Officer (ULMS); lucy.weston@liv.ac.uk or call +44 (0)151 795 4607.

March 09

Liverpool Pub Quiz

Thursday 12 March 2009

Doors open 7.30pm for drinks and 8.00pm quiz starts
Gilmour Hall, Liverpool Guild of Students, Mount Pleasant, Liverpool L3 5TR,
FREE

More fun and laughter with another quiz to sharpen your intellect! Get those creative juices going for the best team name prize and join the loyal following of quiz attendees. Remember this is for alumni, staff and students the competition is ON! You need to register your team members and Captain (remember team size is capped at six people, including the Captain) before the quiz. You can register online (the first name entered will be assumed to be the Captain) or by emailing emma.smith1@liv.ac.uk or calling +44 (0) 151 794 6940.



London Pub Quiz

Thursday 19 March 2009

Venue to be confirmed
FREE

Don't let those Scousers have all the fun! Join in and play the Liverpool quiz in London. If you live near the Capital, meet other alumni and enjoy some nostalgic questioning closer to home.

The venue will be confirmed in the new year. In the meantime, if you have venue suggestions for the pub quiz we would love to hear from you. Send all of your ideas to emma.smith1@liv.ac.uk

Look for more information on our 'events and reunions' pages on the website www.liv.ac.uk/alumni

2009

April 09

Athletics Union Weekend

Saturday 25 - Sunday 26 April 2009

University campus sports facilities and Wyncote
£25



In 2009 the Athletics Union is 125 years old and to celebrate this momentous anniversary Sport Liverpool and the Alumni Relations team are organising several tournaments. All graduates are invited to return to challenge old friends and rivals to new games. Scheduled tournaments include netball, hockey, football, rugby (union and league), water polo, rowing, lacrosse and rounders. The majority of games will be played on Saturday followed by supper in the Saro Wiwa bar. The closing date for player entries is 27 February 2009. Commemorative polo shirts can also be purchased for £20. Orders need to be placed by 1 March 2009. Please contact Stuart Wade on 0151 794 8767 or swade@liv.ac.uk



Tickets are £25 including a weekend pass to all campus sports facilities, a welcome drink and supper on Saturday evening and entry fees for participation in all sports. If you would like to play, watch or enter a team contact Clare Wride on clare.wride@liv.ac.uk or 0151 795 4609.



June 09

House of Lords reception, London

5 June 2009

Peers' dining room, House of Lords
Cost TBC

See another side of Parliamentary life without having to enter politics. Celebrate your Liverpool connections with friends, staff, fellow graduates and the Vice-Chancellor and enjoy light refreshments in one of the most famous buildings in the world. Tours will be available for those who would like them and more details will be released nearer to the time.

September 09

Alumni Weekend and University Open Day (26 Sept)

Friday 24-Sunday 27 September 2009

Missed Alumni Weekend 2008? Celebrating an anniversary year? Fancy a trip to a sensational city? Then join us for a feast of activities, celebrations and reminiscences. Enjoy talks, tours, exhibits and reunions during a fantastic weekend that will get the memories flowing and create new ones for the future.

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November 09

TBC Liverpool Pub Quiz

Thursday 12 November 2009

FREE

Save the date. More details will follow in the next edition of *insight*

ULMS Graduates

Lucy Weston, Alumni Officer (ULMS) would be delighted to hear your suggestions on the kind of events and venues you would like to attend. To express your interest in attending an event, suggest names for possible speakers, offer your services or take part in ULMS events, please contact Lucy Weston, Alumni Officer (ULMS); lucy.weston@liv.ac.uk or call +44 (0)151 795 4607.

Inaugural Lectures

The University also runs a programme of inaugural lectures presented by new Professors to endowed or established chairs. To find out more about these visit www.liv.ac.uk/think If you have any questions about the series or would like any more information, please contact susan.auton@liv.ac.uk or call on +44 (0)151 794 2072.



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