

Devon and Cornwall OF Supper 28th February 2015

After some cajoling by the President, Richard Sayer and Chris Essex, next year's President, James Liell and myself, Colin Micklewright, were persuaded to try and organise a Devon and Cornwall OF gathering. Both of us had little idea how many OF's of any generation lived this far south west and probably as far away from Framlingham as anywhere in England. Much to our surprise we received a list with approximately 40 names and agreed to try and contact as many as possible with James concentrating on the Devon end and myself the Cornish battalion.

Eventually it was agreed we would hold a supper on 28th February 2015 at the Gipse Hill Hotel in Exeter. This venue was chosen by James and Cherry Liell and it turned out to be a very good venue. Thanks to them both for arranging the menu and venue.

We were very lucky to have Richard and his wife, Georgina down from Hampshire and also Chris and his wife Eryl from Bath effectively two Presidents at our very first meeting!!!



A very enjoyable evening and even more surprising the ladies expressed their approval as well. It was also quite extraordinary that a number were attending their very first OF event some 40 years after leaving the school. Indeed one nameless OF admitted he hated his time at the school but joined us nonetheless.



Nineteen sat down to eat, drink and then reminisce about the Old School and the teachers but we were also pleased to have two ex teachers present. The Devon contingent departed late to their respective homes leaving the President and Cornish members swapping stories before retiring to bed.

It seems we all decided it was worth doing this again so I have agreed to re-convene the South West supper in the summer of 2016 at Lanhydrock Hotel and Golf Club and it is hoped that those members who wanted to attend but for various reasons could not make the first one will join us and any other OF

holidaying Cornwall at the time. I hope to arrange a golf match before the supper. Watch this space!!

Those attending with Richard, Georgina, Chris and Eryl were as follows:

Mark and Ann Pollard.	Z1974-1978
Charlie and Alison Pritchard.	Z1970-1980
Barry Maynard Smith.	Hon1960-1965
Adrian and Ann Hansell.	G1957-1962
James and Cherry Liell.	S1953-1960
Philip Rees and partner Sharon.	S1961-1966
Colin and Christine Micklewright.	S1955-1959
Roger and Liz Daniels.	G1962-1966

Apologies were received from Charles Chalcraft, Ron Spencer, Brian Champness, Michael Nipe, Dr Rachel Goss and Ian Arthur. All hoping to attend next time.

Colin Micklewright

