



Issue 3, Feb 2019

Welcome Hatfielders, with the third edition of the Hatfield Association newsletter! We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas and New Year—read on to get the latest Hatfield news!

Latest News

Winter Dinner 2019

We were delighted to welcome alumni, friends and current students alike to our annual Association Winter Dinner. With mulled wine to keep out the cold, a great evening was had by all.

Alumni successes

Congratulations to Professor Andrew Blowers for his recent award of the Melamid Medal from the American Geographical Society for his lifetime's work on the relationship between human culture and the environment.

We are also proud to celebrate the success of Robert Buckland QC MP who received the Dean's Award for Achievement from the Durham Law School. This award recognises Mr Buckland's achievement in becoming Durham Law School's first graduate to serve as a Law Officer of both England and Wales.

Congratulations also to Professor Christopher Burn for his award of the Polar Medal, an award given by the Canadian Government in recognition for his work on permafrost in Canada's northern regions.

Student success



Congratulations on the success of Durham University's A Team which competed in the World Schools Debating Championships in Cape Town, South Africa in December 2018. The team performed extraordinarily well, making it into the semi-finals. We are especially proud of Hatfielder Rory Flynn who attained the rank of 2nd best speaker in the world, Durham's best ever individual finish in this competition. The Hatfield

Trust is pleased to have supported Rory in this endeavour; Rory's full report can be read [here](#).

Careers Conversation Dinner

Our first *Careers Conversation Dinner* took place last month. Three alumni/friends of College conversed with a dozen or so students about careers in accounting and finance - from general questions to the career paths available. This was followed by a round-table discussion. College and SHAPED are working together to create even more opportunities for Hatfielders and we would welcome contributions, visits and ideas from alumni. If you are interested in attending a dinner, or holding drop-in sessions or a talk, please email hatfield.shaped@durham.ac.uk.



Prof. Blowers was awarded the Melamid Medal by the American Geographical Society



Mr Buckland (right) being presented the Dean's Award of Achievement by Professor Thom Brooks of the Durham Law School (left)



Prof. Burn being awarded the Polar Medal by Her Excellency the Rt. Hon. Julie Payette, Governor-General of Canada

Photo credit: Sgt Johanie Maheu, Rideau Hall, © OSGG, 2018

Hatfield Events Calendar 2019

19 Feb 2019 'All Male No More!'

Exhibition opening

22 Feb 2019 Hatfield Association Formal

28 Feb 2019 [Annual Hatfield Lecture](#)

9 Mar 2019 [HCBC 1846 Ball](#)

23 May 2019 [Hatfield Association London After Hours](#)

20-22 Sep 2019 Hatfield Association Reunion Weekend

Lioness Scholarship advertised

We are excited to announce applications for our first Lioness Scholar are now open! Due to extremely generous donations from our alumni, friends and supporters, we are able to offer a fully funded scholarship for the coming academic year, and so far have half the funding needed for future years. Further information about our two Lioness projects is available [online](#).

Looking Ahead

'All Male No More!' Exhibition

Our exhibition telling the story Thirty Years of Hatfield Women opened 19th February in the Hatfield Dining Hall. The exhibition will move to the Hatfield Chapel on 22nd February where it will remain until 22nd March. The Chapel will be open daily 2-5pm during this time for anyone interested in viewing the exhibition. Don't miss out on this exciting opportunity to learn about Hatfield history!

Hatfield Lecture

The annual Hatfield Lecture will be held Thursday, 28th February 2019 5:30 – 6:30pm in ER201. Our guest speaker for the evening is Rachel Skinner, Hatfield alumna, UK Head of Development and an Executive Director of WSP. She is also a Vice President of the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE). Bookings for this free event can be made [here](#).

London After-Hours

Booking is now open for the Hatfield Association London After-Hours event on the 23rd May. Get together your friends and book your place [here](#) for what promises to be a great evening!

Would You Like to Join the Hatfield Association Executive?

The Hatfield Association is keen to recruit new members to join its Executive. If you have vision, are enthusiastic about Hatfield and have a little time to give we would very much like to hear from you.

In particular we are seeking a successor to the current **President of the Association** who completes a 5 year term of office next year. On election, she or he will become **Vice President for 2019/20**, enjoying every support from the current Executive, and take over the Presidency in mid 2020.

The deadline for presidential nomination is **May 31st**, after which the Executive will draw up a shortlist for election by the Association's members. This will take place at the AGM, in Hatfield, on Saturday 21st September (during the Reunion Weekend) in accordance with the constitution.

If you would like to consider taking on this important post, and/or would like to know more generally about what serving on the Executive involves – in any capacity, please contact the Secretary, Tony Gray anthonygray49@gmail.com

Put Something Back Into Hatfield!



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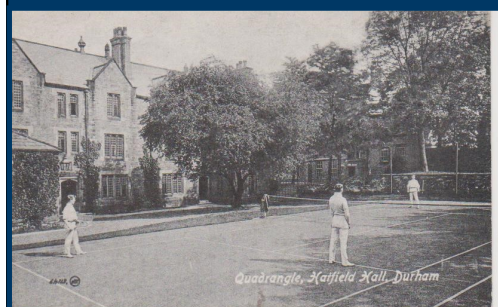
The latest in Hatfield Merchandise — a cuddly lion toy!

All merchandise now available to buy [online](#)



Did you know?

This June marks 100 years since the renaming of Hatfield Hall to its current name, Hatfield College



Postcard of Hatfield Hall, circa early 20th century. With thanks to Mark Coxhead and Patrick Salaun

Do you have photos of Hatfield College? We'd love to see them! Send them to: hatfield.trust@durham.ac.uk to make your contribution to Hatfield history!