

WHAT'S ON / COMING SOON

SARA WHEELER - The highly respected travel writer will be discussing the life of Karen Blixen's lover and companion, Denys Finch Hatton at Blackwell's on Tuesday 6th June at 7pm. Sara's new book *Too Close to the Sun* will be available to buy. Tickets £2 available from Blackwell or call (01865) 336623.

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The festival takes place at Oxford Town Hall on Saturday 10th June 2006 from 4 to 11.00pm
Two pairs of £15 tickets can be won and will be awarded for correct answers to the following question:
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MARY POTTER'S OXFORD

Tall Tales & Odd Dons

When a Professor fell dead outside Wadham College a friend said "Very sad... but why choose in the outside Wadham?"

The absent-minded Dr Spooner, when going by train, is reported to have kissed the porter and tipped a lady friend...

Cherry-bone is said to be served at dinner to see what fellowship candidates do with the stones on a riddle-bowl...

The 3 pages of Dons: you'll miss it, and you're looking for it!

Dr Arnold let off steam by hurling books at the scaffold in the main quadrangle

"You may go, but I wish it had been a nearer relation!"

One Don to another: "When I was up, there were many brilliant new fans!" "Really, and did you know any of them?"

One Don to another: "I was introducing last night!" "Oh, if I knew I'd have said the same as last night!"

A Don replied to a fellow acquaintance who asked if he might have a chat with him, "Yes, indeed, do sit on my step" said...

One Don to another: "When I was up, there were many brilliant new fans!" "Really, and did you know any of them?"

We take no responsibility for the truth or otherwise of these tales!

The answer to what to do with one's cherry stones at All Souls' has never been divulged. To gain entry as a Fellow is considered the height of academic achievement, and before one reaches the alleged cherry-stone stage, a terrifying academic ordeal has to be negotiated. The final paper is perhaps the most demanding: a single essay, to be written in three hours, with a one-word title. In 1985 the word was "Discretion". A few years before that it was "Green". Fellowships last for seven years during which time the fellows are provided with free rooms and dinners, and the freedom to conduct their research. There is also a small stipend (£12,691 today). The formal requirement is to pernoctate (spend the night in Oxford) for 84 days in the first year.

The sundial at Corpus seems to be particularly unfortunate when it comes to dons letting off steam. Even the mild-mannered Keble is said to have hurled a bottle at it in rage!

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CARS FOR SALE

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CINEMA
Until Thu 8th June

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UNITED 93 [15] daily: 1.30, 4.00, 6.30, 9.00pm
except Tue: 12.20, 2.40, 5.00, 9.30pm
"Real time" version of 9/11 hijack.
THE DAVINCI CODE [12A] Mon-Tue: 2.00, 5.15, 8.30pm
Wed-Thu: 12.00, 3.00, 8.30pm, Thu: 1.00, 4.00, 9.00pm
The film of the best-selling book.
SPANISH CINEMA: DOBLE JUEGO [12A] Tue: 6.30pm
A charming swindler in Peru.
LUMIERE LIVE WITH ROBIN GUTHRIE Tue: 7.30pm
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THE BIG SCREAM: FAILURE TO LAUNCH [12A] Wed: 11.00am
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ETERNAL SUNSHINE OF THE SPOTLESS MIND [15] Thu: 7.00pm
We're out and start again.

Odeon George St (0871 2244 007)
X-MEN: THE LAST STAND [12A] daily: 12.15, 3.00, 5.45, 8.30pm
Battle lines are drawn amongst the X-Men.
UNITED 93 [15] daily: 12.45, 3.45, 6.30, 9.15pm
"Real time" version of 9/11 hijack.
POSEIDON [12A] daily: 12.30, 3.15, 6.15, 9.00pm
Sinking disaster escape drama thingie. Prolonged peril, and all that.
THE DAVINCI CODE [12A] Tue-Thu: 1.00, 2.00, 4.30, 5.30, 8.00, 9.00pm
Recorded Jesus conspiracy.
THE OMEN 666 [18] Tue-Thu: 12.00, 3.15, 6.00, 8.45pm
Possession is nine tenths of the law...
SENIOR SCREEN: MUNICH [15] Tue: 10.45am
Spielberg's tale of the events immediately following the 1972 Olympics murders.
BABY ODEON: X-MEN: THE LAST STAND [12A] Wed: 11.00am
A cure for mutation?

Vue Cinema (08712 240 240)
MISSION IMPOSSIBLE III [12A] Mon: 5.45, 8.20pm
Go on, just one more...
X-MEN: THE LAST STAND [12A] daily: 1.30, 2.45, 4.00, 5.30, 6.50, 8.00, 9.15pm
Schism among the mutants.
UNITED 93 [15] daily: 1.45, 4.10, 6.40, 9.00pm
Story of 9/11 hijack.
POSEIDON [12A] daily: 1.15, 4.45, 7.15, 9.40pm
Sinking disaster escape drama thingie. Prolonged peril, and all that.
THE WILD [U] Mon: 2.30, 4.30pm, Tue-Thu: 2.30, 4.30, 6.30pm
Madagascar animation with zoo animals at large.
THE DAVINCI CODE [12A] daily: 1.00, 2.00, 3.00, 4.20, 5.15, 6.15, 7.30, 8.30, 9.30pm
Recorded Jesus conspiracy.
THE OMEN 666 [15] Tue-Thu: 1.20, 3.45, 6.00, 8.15pm
The devil rides again!

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MISSION IMPOSSIBLE III [12A] daily: 5.45, 8.20pm
Can't be impossible, or he wouldn't be able to do it. Would he?
THE WILD [U] daily: 1.30, 3.45pm
Madagascar animation with zoo animals at large.
X-MEN: THE LAST STAND [12A] daily: 1.00, 4.00, 6.45, 9.30pm
Battle lines are drawn amongst the X-Men. (Wheelchair access to all)

Magdalen College Auditorium
THE WHITE COUNTRYERS Mon: 8.45pm
On 35mm film, w/ intro by Paul Bradley. £2 non members

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WRITERS GROUP WEEKLY MEETINGS / Join up for feedback support guidance help & friendly discussions / West Oxfordshire Writers group / 7-30 for 8pm weekly / awsa@hotmail.co.uk / info@epvt.co.uk / Rose Revived, Newbridge OX29 7QD
OXFORD UNIV. NEWMAN SOCIETY / Talk: Lord Alton of Liverpool "Taking a stand for life." / 8.30pm / www.newmansociety.org.uk / Catholic Chaplaincy, Rose Place
COLINTJUDG: FEEDING PEOPLE / Author of 'Sow Shall We Reap': what has gone wrong with agriculture. / Oxford Permaculture Group / 7 - 9pm / Free / The Vaults & Garden Organic Cafe, University Church, Radcliffe Square; Tel: 07932 073091

Wed 7th
DAVID PATTERSON SEMINAR / Dr A Sutcliffe. Philosemitism, the Enlightenment & Jewish Emancipation / OCHJS / 8pm enquiries@ochjs.ac.uk / <http://associnst.ox.ac.uk/ochjs> / Yarnton Manor, Yarnton, Oxford OX5 1PY; Tel: 377946; Fax: 375079
OPEN DISCUSSION GROUP / On the nature of human mind, life, and the world we live in. / 19.30 / Free / discusswithus@googlemail.com / Please call for venue

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MACBETH Fri 2nd-Sat 10th daily (not Sun); 8pm
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Burton Taylor Theatre (305305)
CANCELLED: IN THE COUNTRY OF THE BLIND
Performance cancelled.

New Theatre, Oxford (0870 6063500)
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The Rod Stewart Musical 1850-1890 Fri, Sat: 5.30, 8.30pm

Oriel College (276555)
THE TAMING OF THE SHREW Tue 6th-Sat 10th, daily: 7.30pm
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Macbeth
Creation Theatre, Headington Hill Park
Until 9th September

In the first play of its summer season, The Creation Theatre Company yet again provides a refreshing alternative to stereotypical performances of Shakespeare.

Originally written in 1606 for King James of Scotland and England, *Macbeth* is a dark tale of murder and betrayal interspersed with supernatural encounters. Macbeth, urged by his wife and the witches' prophecy, commits murder in order to gain power. Once king, he tries to safeguard his power by thwarting further prophecies only to find them come true. At the same time, he drives himself and his wife into madness, eventually to the ruin of them both.

Atmospheric depth is brought to the performance through staging the production in Headington Hill park. As the play reached its bloody conclusion, the darkening sky and slight chill in the air added to the tension as Macbeth realised the inevitability of his ruin. This also heightened the supernatural scenes of ghosts and witches, along with plenty of stage blood and grisly props. The set itself is very fitting for the play and includes skulls on poles marking the stage boundaries. Even before the production begins you get a sense of the dark deeds and supernatural occurrences to follow.

The actors in *Macbeth* avoided one of the common pitfalls of out-of-doors performances by delivering audible speeches which were both loud and clear. Tom Peters gave a charismatic and terrifying performance as Macbeth. In the famous dagger scene half of the audience turned around to follow his gaze it was so convincing. Lady Macbeth, played by Eleanor Montgomery, was also the subject of a wonderful performance which was both charming and amusing. You almost feel sorry for her during the sleepwalking scene where she frantically tries to wash the imaginary blood from her hands and inadvertently reveals that Macbeth murdered the King.

This is an entertaining but grisly interpretation of *Macbeth* suitable for Shakespeare fans and for those with no previous knowledge of the play.

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