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Oriel College Boat Club

A grant of a Badge was made to The Provost and Scholars of the House of the Blessed Mary the Virgin in Oxford commonly called Oriel College of the Foundation of Edward the Second of famous memory sometime King of England, for the use of Oriel College Boat Club, the Tortoise Club and the Oriel Society, by Letters Patent dated 20 April 2009 of Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy & Ulster Kings of Arms. A standard was exemplified, as illustrated *left*. College reference: Standards 5/125.

The Badge is blazoned *A Tortoise displayed the shell circular Azure charged with two concentric annulets Argent.*

The Patent was presented to the Provost at Oriel on 30 May by Clive Cheesman, Rouge Dragon Pursuivant.

The grant was made possible by the generosity of Michael Golden, an Orielensis and formerly member of the college's first eight.

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News

Her Majesty The Queen has been pleased to appoint Thomas Woodcock, LVO, Norroy and Ulster King of Arms, to be Garter Principal King of Arms upon the retirement of the present Garter, Peter Gwynn-Jones, CVO. The appointment is to have effect from 1 April 2010.

Recent Grants of Arms

A very small selection of those recently receiving grants or exemplifications from the English Kings of Arms:

BURNS, Thomas Matthew, Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Menevia. Arms. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 20/4/2009. College reference: Grants 174/103. For an illustration of the Arms, with blazon and rationale of the design, see [here](#).

DOW, Geoffrey Graham, of Dalston, Cumbria, Bishop of Carlisle. Arms and Crest. Garter and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 18/12/2008. College reference: Grants 174/40.



Illustrated *left*: the Arms, Crest and Badge granted to Douglas Frederick Harvey **GROCOTT**, of the parish of Calstock, Cornwall, CBE, AFC, by Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. Letters Patent dated 5 January 2009.

The Arms are blazoned: *Azure between two Bars each per fess indented throughout Argent and Gules six Mullets of eight points four greater alternating with four lesser three two and one Argent.*

Crest: *Upon a Helm with a Wreath Argent and Azure In front of a terrestrial globe Bleu Celeste an Arctic Tern volant the wings in pale Argent holding in the beak a maple leaf Gules.*

Mantling: *Azure doubled Argent.*

Badge: *An Arrow point upwards Azure headed Or surmounted by a pair of Dividers also Or.*

College reference: Grants 174/26.

HORNE-CERIANI, Margaret Rose, of Colchester, Essex, JP. Arms and Badge. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 29/9/2008. College reference: Grants 174/34.

JENKINS, Barry Charles, of the London Borough of Bexley, OBE. Arms, Crest and Badge. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 10/12/2008. College reference: Grants 174/22.

MOTTERSHEAD, Derek, of Canterbury, Kent. Arms, Crest and Badge. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 13/9/2008. College reference: Grants 173/351.

MYERS, Roger Elgin, of Austin, State of Texas, USA. Arms, Crest and Badge. Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 20/6/2008. College reference: Grants 173/332.

NOON, Sir Gulam Kaderbhoj, of the London Borough of Camden, Knight, MBE. Arms and Crest. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 12/11/2008. College reference: Grants 173/342.

OSMAN, John Malcolm Andrew, of Dorchester, Oxfordshire. Arms and Badge. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 1/11/2008. College reference: Grants 174/15.

ROBERTS, Sir Clare Kamau, of St John's, State of Antigua and Barbuda, KCN. Arms and Crest, Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 5/12/2008. College reference: Grants 174/10.

SPROSTON, Peter Bernard, of Rotkreuz, Canton of Zug, Swiss Confederation. Arms, Crest and Badge. Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 8/1/2009. College reference: Grants 174/28.

SWANSEA METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY. Arms, Crest and Badge. Garter, Clarenceux and Norroy and Ulster Kings of Arms. 10/10/2008. College reference: Grants 173/335. As reported in a previous newsletter, the Arms were presented by Robert Noel, Lancaster Herald. For details see [here](#).

WILSON, Harold, of the City of Oxford, AE. Arms, Crest and Badge. In the same Patent, Arms and Crest for his stepchildren Martin Charles Aveling Ginever and Helen Mary Ginever. Garter and Clarenceux Kings of Arms. 11/5/2008. College reference: Grants 173/344.



Appearances and Publications

Illustrated *left* is a portrait of Peter Gwynn-Jones, CVO, Garter King of Arms, by Daphne Todd, OBE, a past President of the Royal Society of Portrait Painters. Garter is depicted wearing his tabard and carrying his staff of office, with a view of the dome of St Paul's Cathedral (which stands slightly to the north of the College of Arms) in the background.

The portrait was exhibited recently at an exhibition of Todd's work at Messum's Cork Street, London, and also at the annual exhibition of the Royal Society of Portrait Painters, held at Mall Galleries, London between 7 and 23 May 2009.

The Order of the Garter: the annual service of the Order took place on 15 June 2009 at St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, in the presence of its Sovereign, Her Majesty The Queen. The Officers of Arms were in attendance.

Recent Lectures: David White, Somerset Herald and lately Chairman of the Heraldry Society, delivered the Scriveners' Company lecture on 'The Baronets' Battles for a Badge' to the society on 20 May 2009. Peter Gwynn-Jones, Garter King of Arms, lectured at the Oxford and Cambridge Club, on 9 June 2009 on the subject of 'Heralds and Heraldry'.

The Heralds' Visitations: an article by Dr Adrian Ailes appeared in *The Coat of Arms*, journal of The Heraldry Society, volume 5:1 (2009), with the title 'The development of the heralds' visitations of England and Wales 1450-1600'. Subscriptions to this journal of heraldic and related studies may be obtained [here](#).

English, French and American gentility: an article by François-Joseph Ruggiu entitled 'Extraction, wealth and industry: The ideas of noblesse and of gentility in the English and French Atlantics (17th–18th centuries)', appeared in the journal *History of European Ideas* volume 34:4 (2008). This article is based in part upon a study of the records of grants of Arms maintained by the College of Arms.

Appointments in Scotland: The Lord Lyon King of Arms has appointed the Hon. Adam Bruce as Unicorn Pursuivant of Arms; he was previously Finlaggan Pursuivant in service of the Clan Donald. Mark Dennis has been appointed Ormond Pursuivant of Arms.

Illustrated *right* is a page from a manuscript in the College of Arms, dating from the reign of Henry VIII and depicting characteristic heraldry of the period. This manuscript was probably compiled under the direction of Sir Thomas Wriothesley, Garter (died 1534); the page illustrated perhaps represents a record of Arms granted by Wriothesley. Coll Arm Ms Vincent 153 f. 39.

Recently Recorded Pedigrees

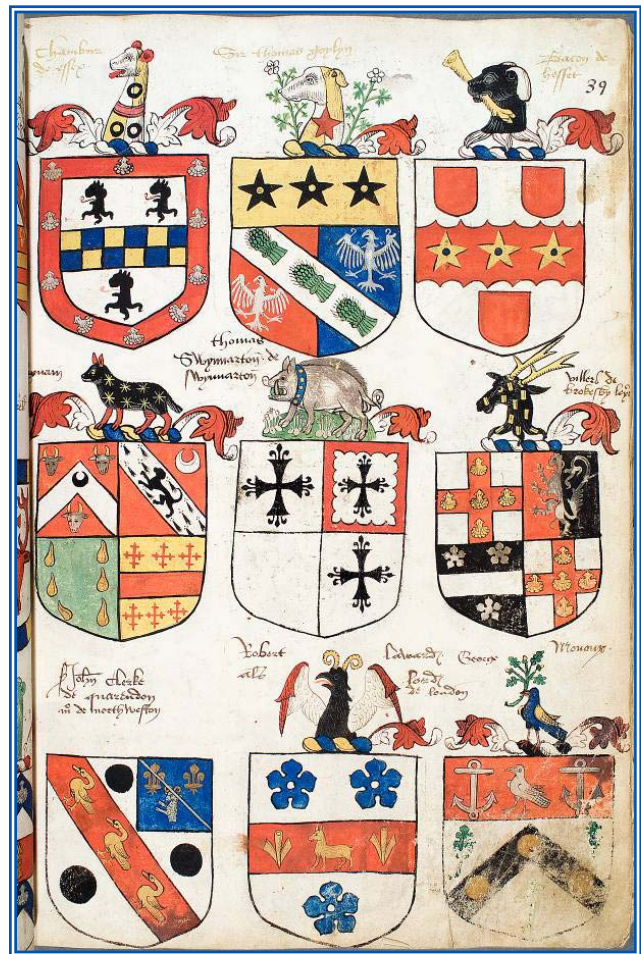
BUSH: a pedigree of four generations shows the descendants in male and female lines of Barnard Robert Swanton Bush (born 1912). Connected with FARLEY, WIFFEN and SPIERS. College reference: Surrey 31/351.

CAVENDISH-BENTINCK: a pedigree sets out children and grandchildren of William John Arthur Charles James (Cavendish-Bentinck), Duke of Portland and Baron Bolsover (born 1857). The entry also includes three generations of the PARENTE family. Cross-referenced to Norfolk 18/72. College reference: Norfolk 51/128.

KINGTON: a pedigree of nine generations is headed by Thomas Kington of the parish of St Peter le Port, Bristol, who married in 1769 to Susannah Goodwin. The entry descends to the present day via their great grandson William Miles Nairne Kington of Montreux, Switzerland (died 1898). Connected with the families of JONES and MILLAR. College reference: Norfolk 51/135.

LYNN: a pedigree of seven generations shows a descent to the present day from Henry Lynn or Linn of Brooke County, Virginia, USA, who was born 11 January 1775 in Pennsylvania and who married Rebecca daughter of Walter Cain. Connected to BOEHME of Mountain Brook, Alabama, USA. College reference: Norfolk 51/161.

STUART: a pedigree records the succession of peerages from Arthur (Stuart), 7th Earl Castle Stewart, of Castle Stuart, Co. Tyrone, Ireland (born 1889). Cross-referenced to an entry in Ulster's Office recorded pedigrees, and to Surrey 30/288. College reference: Peers 10/235.



Elsewhere in the Records

Queen's Remembrancer: Her Majesty The Queen has been pleased to approve the Badge, illustrated *left*, for this, the oldest judicial post in existence. The first remembrancer was appointed in 1154 and subsequently became an official of the medieval Court of Exchequer; as such, the post is today the sole surviving element of the apparatus of that court. The black-and-white checky roundel in the new badge is a reference to this origin. For more information on the post and its current and former duties, see [this site](#).

College reference: Standards 5/124.