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Dear Old Member,

Overleaf is the official notification of the centre-piece of the Club's Centenary celebrations - the grand dinner and dance. As you can see, it will be a really prestigious event, with the President of the World Hockey Federation as guest-in-chief and a well-known 'media' lady as principal speaker. So, not only should it be very enjoyable, but the Club (and, in particular, organiser Stan Elgar) would really appreciate a good turnout of we 'oldies' for this once-in-a-lifetime event.

I think I should, maybe, add a couple of things to the official notice:

(a) I understand the price doesn't include wines (bad luck!) which are to be ordered and paid for individually; (b) don't stay at home if you prefer a lounge suit to dinner jacket or blazer (incidentally, this will probably be the first occasion most of you have to see a turnout of the Veterans' striped blazers and bow ties in the club colours!); and (c) I have added an application slip to Stan, which will make your booking much easier (goodness, how I pander to you!).

Stan also has a special centenary silk tie available for sale - £15 (inc. postage). Please order one, if interested, on the same application slip.

By the way, I'll mention that this notice is going to Messrs. Alexander, Arnold, Atkinson (C.), Austin-Jones, Bailey, Baker, Balhetchet, Bell, Bermingham, Borrett, Brooks, Cardoza, Chaumeton, Clarke (R.), Edyvean, Eiloart, Elgar, Ferguson, Fletcher, Greener, Guest, Hale, Hart, Haynes, Hayward, Henderson, Henman, Jamieson, Jones (A.), Kay, Livingstone, Lowden, Mandair (T.), Marshall, Mason, Matthews-Lane, Meacock, Morphew, Patton, Pecker, Peddar, Perry, Porter, Potter, Rao, Ratcliffe, Sadler-Forster, Smith (S.), Smyth, Stafford, Swing, Tallon, Tom, Vartan, Vye, Westhead, Wickham, Worman, Yates, as well as 'Hon. Old Members' Allen (R.), Cheston, James (J.), and our Antipodean section. But there are hundreds of other old members 'out there' somewhere: if you know the whereabouts (address or 'phone no.) of anybody who isn't listed above, let me (or Stan) know A.S.A.P., so that they can be contacted - to make this as wide-ranging a celebration as possible.

Finally, unless anything really newsworthy happens, with the Centenary over and the (men's) 1st XI in the National League (where we belong!), this will be the last of my regular newsletters. The 1st XI would, I'm sure, appreciate your support at league and cup matches - not only at home (Paddington Recreation Ground) but also when they are playing around the country. But you will be able to see their fixtures in the national press sports pages. If you are interested in more regular attendance, or in planning ahead, I suggest you drop a line to (or 'phone) the Club Secretary - John Grierson, 38 Bedford Place, WC1B 5JH, 071-436 9867 - and ask for a copy of the fixture card, or even about going onto the mailing list for the fortnightly club bulletin (which would probably involve a modest subscription or donation - discuss with John if you're interested).

Look forward to seeing you at the Dinner.

Yours aye,

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