

18 June 1961

Dear Sir John,

The Club is planning to hold its Annual Dinner next season on Friday, 1st December, 1961, at Pimm's Restaurant in Bishopsgate, E.C.2.

My Committee has asked me to write to you and say that we would be very honoured if, having laid down some of your present commitments, you would be able to attend as one of the Club's guests and, perhaps, to propose the toast of the Club. I should add that we usually held a fairly informal dinner these days (as I believe was generally the case in your playing days) and that we still include representatives of the various official bodies of the game amongst our guests.

I look forward to your reply when you have the time; I hope you will be able to accept our invitation.

Yours sincerely,

C. GREENHALGH.

Sir John Masterman, C.B.E.,
Worcester College,
Oxford.

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OXFORD

From THE PROVOST

26 June 1961

Dear Greenhalgh,

Thank you very much for your letter of 18 June and for your very kind invitation to the Club Dinner. I shall be delighted to come to this. I hope that you will find someone else to propose the toast of the Club for I am an unwilling speaker - but if you find that you need me for this later on I will conform to your orders.

Yours sincerely,

J.C. Perkins

C. Greenhalgh, Esq.,
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Broom Road,
Teddington,
Middlesex.

3 July 1961

Dear Sir John,

Thank you for your letter of 26 June. I am very pleased that you are able to come to the dinner on 1 December and hope that you will enjoy a pleasant evening.

Later on in the year I shall let you know appropriate times and other details.

Yours sincerely,

C. GREENHALGH.

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I hope you will enjoy your evening with
24 October 1961

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I am enclosing a ticket for the Annual Dinner - not for its necessity in gaining entrance, but as a convenient vehicle for the details of time etc. which I promised to let you have.

The Committee was very pleased to hear of your acceptance at its last meeting. We took note of your comments about speaking; while we should hate to press you, we would be very pleased and grateful if you would undertake this chore. Perhaps I didn't make clear that, over recent years, we have considered it a positive virtue to devote a little less time to our speeches than seems to be common practice amongst other hockey clubs. For this reason, we restrict our speeches to only three: the toast to the Club (yourself), the response and the toast to the guests (the President), and the response to this letter (Mr. Ross, Secretary of Purley H.C.)

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From SIR JOHN MASTERMAN

Nov 5. 1961.

Dear Greenledge,

My thanks for your letter of 24th Oct. - which ought to have been answered long ago - but I've been busy all last week.

It is kind of you to offer to fill in the details for me & I shall be most grateful if you will. As for me to be in Oxford on Nov 15 that would clearly be the best opportunity. Will you either lunch with me that day, or come to tea here after the game - whichever suits you better?

J. C. Masterman.

London would perhaps be preferable as I have to go up to London on the 5.30 that evening.