

Ball Tombola & Raffle

- 1 x Tanqueray Gin
- 1 x Grant's Scotch Whisky
- 1 x Three Barrels Rare Old French VSOP Brandy
- 2 x Monopole Heidsieck & Co Blue Top Champagne
- 1 x Conegliano Valdobbiadene Prosecco Superiore 2012
- 1 x 2008 Chateau Rouzaud St Emilion

A selection of assorted *Penguin* and *Gin* ESSENTIALS:

- 'I wish this was Gin' mug
- Flipping Brilliant - a Penguin's Guide to a Happy Life
- Gin Whore fridge magnet
- 'Magic Fluffy Growing Penguin' (or *Peng-Merkin*)
- Gin & Tonic Soap Bar
- 1 Pair Penguin 'over the knee' socks (or *Stockings*)
- Gin - a global history
- 1 jar Gin & Tonic Gel (one for the ladies or backs)

GHRFC: 170 Years Young

This season, 2013 - 2014, Guy's Hospital Rugby Football Club celebrates the 170th anniversary of its foundation in 1843: twenty years after William Webb Ellis invented the game when, in 1823, he "*picked up the ball and ran*" at Rugby School.

In the early days Guy's played on the common at Blackheath. Sides of twenty players each were chosen from members of the club limited to students or qualified doctors from the hospital. Before each game, the code of rules to be played under was decided by the two captains. Hacking, or kicking the shins of an opponent to keep him away from the ball, was allowed until the practice was banned by the Rugby Union on its formation in 1871. Two rules were usually agreed on: that no player may be held and hacked at the same time; and, although a player might be held in the scrummage, no attempt must be made to throttle or strangle him. Matches were won or lost only by goals, successful kicks between the posts after a try.

Twenty-eight years after its foundation Guy's Hospital RFC was represented at the meeting held at the Pall Mall Restaurant in Regent Street in 1871 when Rugby Union was founded. In the 170th season, the future looks Golden (and Navy).

Guy's Hospital RFC

Est 1843

[170th Season]

The Oldest Rugby Club in the World



Scanlan Cup, Past v Present Fixture
Penguins v Guy's XV

Honor Oak Park

Saturday 26th April 2014

Guy's Penguins XV

1. Bill Hogan/Charlie Pugh
2. Oli Laird/Mark Edmondson
3. Tom Jackson (**O Captain my Captain**)
4. Thorpey
5. Duncan Austin/Mark Blunden
6. Beardmore/Iain Wilson
7. Pete Davis/Wayne
8. Challacombe/Jamie Jackson
9. Pat Gush/ Nick Evans
10. Nick Gibbins/Al Jones
11. Simon Hughes
12. Andy Vaughton
13. Rauri Hadlington
14. Nige White
15. Luke Brunton

The Penguins were formed from the heart and passion of the senior members of the club who gave way to youth coming through into the 1st, 2nd and 3rd XV's but who were not ready to hang up their boots. Terry Gibson established the Veterans Side in 1993, (*assisted by Carter Croft and then [the late] Paul Scanlan*) and this ensured the continuation of senior rugby at Guy's Hospital RFC. The Penguins entered the Kent Veterans League and successfully competed against other gentlemen players. We have toured annually, most frequently to Ischia in Italy where the locals established an annual tournament in honour of the GHRFC Penguins and the Oldest Players in the World. With more silver hair now than silver ware, the Penguins are truly a vibrant 'family' who look after their Emperor elder statesmen; welcome the impetuous youngsters into the fold and nurture the fledglings; all of whom just want to play this wonderful game.

Paul Scanlan played for Guy's 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th XV's from 1984 to 1993 and was a founder member of the Penguins XV. He was 1st XV Vice Captain, Student XV Captain and a GHRFC Vice President. He qualified in 1989 and was the first of his year to achieve Consultant status, as an orthodontist working in SE London and Kent. His irrepressible humour, energy and zest for living were tragically curtailed by an acute illness which rapidly took his life. He remains sorely missed and is remembered by the annual Penguins v Guy's Present XV match played for the **Scanlan Cup**. Adios Amigo.

Guy's Hospital XV

1. Prop Largesque
2. Juan Agins Ted
3. Teye Ted
4. Neil Down
5. Peter Out
6. Cliff Edge
7. Sean O'Pensyde
8. Doug Deep
9. Krukyd Feed
10. Hans Teddy
11. Gaston Outside
12. Mike De Takelle
13. Si Du Step
14. Andrew Lastman
15. Seif Unduhybol
16. Imone Laytur
17. Lei Tyrone

Penguins Against Cancer would like to thank:

Bill Hogan for his extraordinary generosity in providing the main sponsorship for today's game. Bill, having started work in a Smarties factory, progressed to Guy's microbiology department, and has now risen to be Managing Director of a highly successful scientific equipment firm. Bill is a GHRFC Vice President and was a regular 1st XV player, mostly in the back row, throughout the 1980s. He toured widely, and became renowned for singing in a bass Irish brogue, particularly his rendition of 'Delaney's donkey'. His last appearance for Guy's was as Loose Head prop for the Penguins XV in a keenly fought contest against Guernsey (relatively youthful) Vets in December 2013. Bill, conceding nearly 20 years to his opposite number, played a full 80 minutes and gave no quarter. Although the Penguins officially lost the match, on the technicality of conceding more points than the opposition, Bill, with the redoubtable Howell and Pugh, convincingly won the battle of the front rows, 3-0. **Bill's contribution will be donated to Bowel Cancer UK.**

As read out as part of Scanners' eulogy:

'Were he here, it would definitely not have passed without comment, that those carrying his coffin today are Paul bearers'