



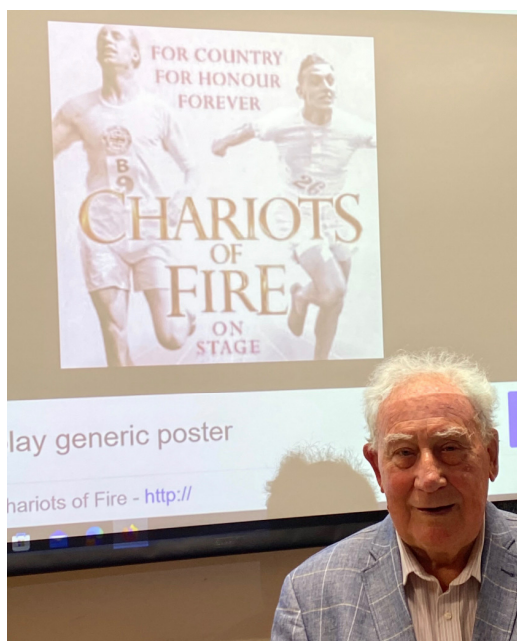
Whitehill F.P.s' Club Newsletter

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The "Summer" has come and gone. Umbrella and cagoule sales are through the roof and the nights are starting to draw in. However, the good news is that we have our Autumn Lunch coming up on Thursday 24th October at the House for an Art Lover.

Tom McNab

On 22nd August I attended a lecture given by former pupil Tom McNab, at the Liddell Centre in Edinburgh with the subject, "The Making of Chariots of Fire". This annual lecture was most timely this year, being 100 years since Eric Liddells triumph at the 1924 Paris Olympics and of course we had the Olympic Games again in Paris this year.



Tom was athletics consultant to the films director David Puttnam and the scriptwriter Colin Welland and had a considerable input to the production of the film.

His lecture was educational and entertaining with wit and many insider quips. Tom auctioned a signed copy of an original script of the film in aid of the charity "Eric Liddell 100". It is worth watching the film again just to hear the cow mooing during Liddell's speech at the highland games prizegiving!! It wasn't planned and wasn't cut.

Rikki Fulton



An interesting photograph of another famous FP well known as the Rev I.M. Jolly, we think seen here, in the playground of the old school just before it was demolished.

Future Events

The **Autumn Lunch** will be again at the House for an Art Lover, Bellahouston, Glasgow on Thursday 24th October. Just a few days before the clocks change.

The invitation letter will be sent out mid September.



Home of the Moving Image and Sound Archive

We are planning an afternoon visit to the Scottish Film & Sound Archive at Kelvin Hall, Glasgow in late November. The date is yet to be confirmed, but is likely to be Wednesday 27th November. It is planned to show film and stills of life in Dennistoun and the East End of Glasgow through time. There is also an exhibit area to view and tea / coffee will be available. The visit will be limited to 25 people.

Thanks to John Munro for organising this outing.

I regret that we have suffered the passing of two of our stalwart members this summer.

Richard Bell



Richard, our schoolmate, friend and member of the FP Committee and the Whitehill Sports Trust, died on 22nd June.

Rikki Bell will be long remembered as a great contributor to FP activities and a joy to be with at our dinners and lunches over the years. He was President of the FP Committee in 2023.

It was good that, despite his ill health, he was able to attend and enjoy our April Lunch.

Elinor Gow



Elinor passed away on 1st July. Elinor, maiden name Matchet, was a great supporter of our dinner and lunch events and made a special effort to be at our April lunch. She was a pupil in the years 1950-56 a few years before her sister Annette who also attended Whitehill. Elinor went on to Jordanhill and taught at schools in Glasgow and in Armadale.

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