



**Old Derbyian Society**

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### **Request from Archivist for help in developing our archive of Schoolboy Memories**

You may already be aware that a few years ago in my plan to develop more and more archives for the OD Society I created a special collection of individual memories from past pupils of their respective time at Derby School.

Originally started for a Derby Telegraph 'Bygones' article of former Amber Valley Camp and Overton Hall pupils it was a great success. A little later I started asking other past pupils from the era at St. Helen's House and also at Moorway Lane site at Littleover and my wish is to develop more and more.

At today's count (November 2018) I already have just over 45 such submissions and my aim this year is to try and double that number. **Are you in a position to help the OD Society?**

Whilst in today's climate all the 'memories' will be collected in an electronic archives you don't need to be IT savvy! All I need from yourself are from 250 to 800 words written down or may be even typed out.

**What type of 'memories' am I after?** They can be either humorous, sad or even of funny occasions, of your or others' sporting ability, your prowess within the School Cadet Corps, at Cadet Camp or a Field Day, may be as a member of the School Rowing Club, or the OD Society Rifle Club. Naturally anything you recall about a particular master – good or bad, especially that master who helped you in any particular way. One master I particularly recall myself was no other than 'Lardy' or Gillard and I do believe there are many with similar long 'memories'.

Being the archivist, I started my quest of course in September 2009 with collecting together many, many B&W photos of times' past, **for your up to date information these now total over 1,350 such photos.** So not content with that number I am also asking for more form, house, sport's team, cadet corps parade and similar events that were captured all those years ago.

Please be assured there is no time limit, certainly no deadline to meet. My door is always open for the receipt by post, telephone call or even an email of your submission. Please help me by passing this request to fellow past pupils.

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**'PLEASE HELP ME TO HELP THE OD SOCIETY CREATE  
A REAL LIVING HISTORY'**

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