



Obituaries

We have also heard of the passing of:

WWS Arnott (43-45)	HF Bostock (50-51)
MRF Carter (42-44)	JM Clouting (43-45)
EW Harrison (56-58)	GB Jones (58-60)
WA Siddall (49)	GW Waugh (47-49)
GB Broom (47-48)	

Please remember that all obituaries should be sent to the Hon Sec

Lieutenant Colonel PE Bent VC DSO (09-10)

T C Dunn (55-57)

In the article *More Conway Soldiers* in the March 2014 issue of *The Cadet*, mention was made of Lieutenant Colonel PE Bent VC DSO (09-10).

Col Bent was awarded a posthumous VC for his bravery, leading a charge by the 9th Battalion Leicestershire regiment on 1st October 1917, east of Polygon Wood. The letter (right) sent to his mother shortly after his death, explains what happened. I own this letter.

On 1st August, there will be an exhibition (running until Christmas) at Ashby De La Zouch museum, commemorating The Great War and two VCs, (of which Col Bent is one), and memorial plaques will be laid in their memory. Phillip Bent attended Ashby De La Zouch Grammar School.

The original of the enclosed letter will be on display together with Col Bent's Conway bible.

It is interesting to note that Col Bent became 18 years of age just before joining the Ship as a New Chum. Perhaps that is a record age for a Chum? He was highly regarded during his time in the Ship. As a Cadet Captain, he receives mention in John Masefield's book *The Conway*.

