

We have heard of the passing of:

Paul A Adams (63-66) Paul Baxter (61-64)
Michael Box (45-47) J S N Carr (39-41)

A M B Ferguson (35-37) Julian H Gomersall (53-55)

Andrew Harrington (44-46) M B Higgins (52-54)

David H Hughes (39-41) David Nisbit Price (40-43)

E E Parry (57-59) H W J Polglase (35-37)

Rodney Sambrook (54-56) Chris Shannon (61-64)

Benton S Thompson (45) E J R Walker (35-36)

D V W Ward (31-33) L H A Wheeler (34-36)

Ian Major (40-42) A D Ross (54-56)

Gwillym Rhys Edwards (Staff)

Harold Glynn Williams - update

Many OCs have been interested in the sad story of Harold Glynn Williams who died in his ship's hold in 1897 and whose story we published in the last *Cadet*. You may recall that Ian Hopkinson (54-56) told us how he had found Harold's grave in Vancouver and that our Vancouver branch hoped to refurbish the headstone that had fallen down many years ago. Ian has been trying to find any direct descendants; you may recall the original family came from Bangor, where Ian has contacted the local press. The story has now run in



both Bangor and Holyhead but, alas, this line of enquiry has come to nought. Ian has now sent us a further update:

'Extensive enquiries into the survival, existence and present whereabouts of descendants of HGW have been made. I have had wonderful help from Mel Barratt's wife Di, and Terry Beggs (53-56) and others, but no success to date. There is one last lead. Until 1965 when he died, HGW's youngest brother owned the Bridgend Inn in Govilon, a village outside Abergavenny. I have written to the proprietor, asking if he knows of any surviving relatives. However, I feel we have gone through this story with a comb whose teeth are fine enough to satisfy anybody's conscience and the die is now cast. The grave marker will be restored within the next six months. This is what is planned:

'The existing stones will remain flat in the ground but they will be re-arranged in the correct order and set a little deeper so the mower doesn't scalp them. A new grey granite stand-up stone will be erected. This will say exactly the same as that shown on the stones and will be supported by a bottom stone which will say 'This marker was erected in 2012 by The Vancouver Conway Club'. The project's cost is estimated at \$3,600. Vancouver City is enthusiastic about restoring graves of historical significance, which this one obviously is. So I am meeting them soon to discover how far their enthusiasm extends from a monetary point of view.

We wish Ian and the rest of the Vancouver Conway Club well in their endeavours.