



Dear ODs

I trust you have all survived the scorching heat wave this week!

The OD Union will be hosting a **Business Breakfast** on Monday 7 March at 7:30 for 8am in the Woodlands Pavilion. Our guest speaker will be Gareth Penny (1980F). There are 50 seats available. If you would like to reserve a seat please e-mail dorourke@bishops.org.za

On this note I encourage you to sign up on our **OD Union LinkedIn** page at <https://www.linkedin.com/groups/7421444>

An update on our Mentoring and Coaching programme (**ODAP**) will be sent out in due course.

Some hot news on the OD hockey front. **Alex Stewart (2013O)** and **Ryan Julius (2013K)** not only made the SA u21 junior world cup squad but they won their first International senior SA caps this week playing against Ireland at Hartleyvale. Well done to them on this grand achievement.

Please reserve your seat/table for the **OD Union Annual Dinner** taking place on Wednesday 9 March 2016 at Kelvin Grove. Tickets cost R350. Please e-mail me for more details dorourke@bishops.org.za

The OD Union **AGM** takes place on Thursday 10 March 2016 in the Woodlands Pavilion at 6pm.

Founders Day takes place on Friday 11 March 2016. For more details please visit our website events page <http://community.odu.co.za/events/invitation/new?eventId=5146305:Event:38531&creatingEvent=1>

Sean Henchie is arranging hockey matches on Wednesday 16 March between ODs and first and second teams. If you would like to take part please e-mail Nic Olds oldseen@hotmail.com or Laurie Gardener lagardener@wol.co.za

The **Walker Cup Golf Day 2016** takes place on 4 March at the Rondebosch Golf Club. ODs wishing to play should please contact Brian de Kock bdekock@iafrica.com

For upcoming cricket fixture please go to <http://sport.bishops.org.za/cricket/>

Last year some parts of the WC were ravaged by fire and recently we have had fires on the Simonsberg, Sir Lowry's Pass, in Glencairn and Elgin/Grabouw. Volunteer Wildfire Services put their lives on the line and this monumental effort comes at a cost. They are 100% dependant on the public's generosity. Whilst we are aware of the sensitivities around using the OD Union Office to seek support, I am sure you will agree that these circumstances are exceptional. They are an NGO and have PBO status. If you are in a position to contribute please e-mail Geraldene Corder at nwl.fundraising@vws.org.za

The UK Branch OD Union newsletter can be viewed at <http://us6.campaign-archive1.com/?u=7b5bd99f91896bec2e1ae7f9d&id=6712bb4b37>

"It is better to lead from behind and to put others in front, especially when you celebrate victory when nice things occur. You take the front line when there is danger. Then people will appreciate your leadership" - Nelson Mandela

Have a brilliant weekend.

Best regards

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