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Happy new year everyone, welcome back and we hope that you have all had an enjoyable and relaxing Christmas break.

Since our last newsletter we have elected the new committee for OGI 2020 and have also co-opted another 3 young members onto the committee.

We now have eleven committee members, ten of whom have competed in past games, who are under the age of 30.

Not since those first games in 1980 has the committee consisted of so many young members and it bodes well for the future of OGI that so many young people are prepared to step up to the plate to serve on the committee.

We have also formed a new Non Executive Committee (NEC) and have revised our constitution to allow for the creation of this new committee.

Welcome



The NEC will have no executive powers, be appointed by OGIC and will consist of committee members who have served on the OGIC for at least two terms but who, for a variety of reasons, can no longer attend regular meetings but whose experience and knowledge is considered too valuable to lose.

A prerequisite of any committee member who wants to volunteer to serve on the NEC is that they will continue to help us during fundraising events and most importantly, that they will be available to help us over the three days of OGI.

All in all, the next 18 months promise to be an exciting and busy time for OGI as it enters its 40th year. It is therefore important that everyone, teams, parents and competitors work together to ensure that the 2020 games are the best ever.

OGI Biennial General Meeting

Friday the 19th. October 2018 saw the Biennial meeting of the General Assembly of the OGI taking place at St. Peter's Italian Catholic Youth Club in Clerkenwell, the birthplace and spiritual home of OGI.

Adriano Morini, as outgoing President gave his customary report on the 2018 games (reproduced on page 2), followed by the Treasurer's report, which was presented by Marco Timanti, which the assembly approved for filing.

The usual discussions then ensued about the good and bad points of the games and where things could or needed to be improved.

The four main areas of concern were the use of the electronic photofinishing equipment and the subsequent restrictions this brought to the schedule, the timetable not allowing enough recovery time for competitors between events, the medal presentations taking too long and the number of withdrawals in the swimming gala which caused havoc to the timetable, increasing the workload of the officials.

The assembly felt that these were all concerns which the new committee would need to concentrate on and find solutions to before the next games.

Two important votes were also taken, the first being on amending the constitution to allow for the formation of the NEC and the second on proposed changes to Rule 2.6, which stipulates that non Italian competitors who are classified as being club athletes cannot compete in the OGI games.

After a lengthy debate about the pros and cons of the current rule and the proposed changes, it was decided that Rule 2.6 would remain unchanged for 2020.

The election of the new OGI committee for 2020 was also held with the following members elected:

Adriano Morini, Luciana Timanti, Francesca Timanti, Marco Timanti, Claudia Timanti, Mariella Mansi, Gaetano Attanasio, Mike Viglione, Mario Cattini, Anthony Manzi, Tony Franchi, Theresa Morena, Luciano Moreno, Livio Spagnoli, Mark Murphy, Sandra Palormi, Alessandro Deufemia, Mirella Tambini, Roberto Spagnoli, Chiara Delogu, Roberta Mazzi & Jamie Townsend.

As per the constitution, the President of OGI 2020 would be elected by the new committee at their first meeting and the President would in turn nominate his executive officers for the committee to approve.



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Presidents Report for the BGM 2018

Good evening everybody, and welcome to the O.G.I BGM, this dated October 19th, 2018.

It is with a sense of satisfaction that I write this report, sharing some of the activities and achievements of the past two years. On behalf of the OGIC I would like to thank all of the teams, helpers and supporters who came together over the weekend in making OGI 2018 a great success.

A special thanks to all of our sponsors and benefactors who without their contributions, the games would not be possible.

A big thank you to the Mazzini Garibaldi Foundation whose generosity we are so thankful for.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for all your hard work and dedication over the past two years. It has been a privilege to be part of this outstanding and dedicated committee always available to help and ensure these games are achieved.

One of the pleasures of writing the Presidents report for the BGM is that it enables one to reflect and look back over the past two years with a great sense of pride.

In April 2017 we held a OGI fundraising Sunday lunch at Villa Scalabrini of which was attended by all teams and their families. This gave us the opportunity to demonstrate the important of togetherness that O.G.I represents. During the course of the dinner we handed out a cheque for £500 to all five teams; kindly donated by Associazione Val D'arda. A big thank you to the President and all his committee on helping us achieve a very successful day.

In October 2017 we held our first O.G.I Golf day at Hadley Wood golf club. This event proved to be a great success and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who participated in it. This proved to be a great new fundraising experience for us as shown in our accounts sheet. This will be followed up with a forthcoming golf day in 2019.

O.G.I has also always been ever present at the Procession of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, an important annual event. O.G.I will now be presenting itself by means of a

fundraising stall of which all proceeds will go towards the running and maintenance of St Peters Italian Church.

2017 also saw the first introduction of '*giochi*' newsletter. This is produced quarterly and elaborates upon all events carried out by our O.G.I teams across the community and is an excellent showcase of the great work that they do towards some great causes. It has proved an excellent and much needed platform for our teams. A big thank you to Livio for making the time to create such a significant and informative newsletter.

Achievements of the OGIC

- *The introduction of a new starting system*
- *Secured funding for the future.*
- *The VicHeiss Award*
- *A fundraising Golf day*
- *'giochi' newsletter*

Main objectives for 2020

- *To maintain stability and awareness of O.G.I for generations to come.*
- *Ensuring a sufficient fund to safeguard the future of O.G.I.*

The OGIC will be working hard to build upon the successfulness of these last two years. While achieving our main objectives was challenging in itself our hardest challenges still lie ahead. O.G.I 2020 will represent the 40th Anniversary of the games, a significant milestone to an Olympic event which has served and will continue to serve generations to come.

As President, I wish to acknowledge the support of each member of OGIC for their hard work and continued support that they do on behalf of the OGI. As we head towards the new year may the true values, standards and spirit of the OGI be maintained within our community.

Thank you all for attending.

Cav. Adriano Morini
President



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President & Executive Officers for OGIC 2020

The following committee members were nominated and elected by OGIC onto the following executive posts:

- President:** Adriano Morini
- Vice President:** Luciana Timanti
- Treasurer:** Marco Timanti
- Vice Treasurer:** Tony Franchi
- Secretary:** Livio Spagnoli
- Vice Secretary:** Sandra Palormi

Non Executive Committee (NEC) Members

Following the formation of the new Non Executive Committee (NEC) the following committee members volunteered and were appointed by OGIC onto the NEC:

Francesca Timanti, Claudia Timanti, Mariella Mansi, Anthony Manzi and Mario Cattini

As per the constitution, members of the NEC will still receive the agenda and minutes from OGIC meetings and may attend whenever they chose and have the right to vote when in attendance.

They will serve on the NEC until such time that they resign or their circumstances change and they are ask to be transferred back onto OGIC.

Newly co-opted members onto OGIC 2020

The OGIC have co-opted the following people onto the committee:

Marco Morena, Gianluca Malanga and Gabriella Spagnoli.

All have competed in past OGI's and join what is fast becoming one of the youngest committees in OGI's 40 year history.

It is important that we support and encourage young people who are prepared to offer their services. Not just on OGIC but at a team level too. OGI and the teams will only continue for future generations if youngsters are taken onboard, nurtured and encouraged to take on some of the responsibilities.

Vic, our first president and one of the founders of OGI, always felt that age was not a reflection of someone's ability and that everyone should be given the opportunity to serve their community.

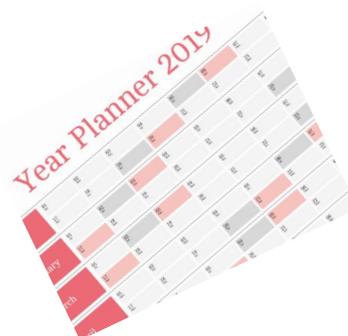
And let's not forget ,that with the exception of Vic, the first OGI games was organised by a group of people, the oldest of whom was 25.

So welcome aboard, have no fear, enjoy the ride and we hope that you all enjoy a long association with OGI.

Associazione Parmense Donation



A big thank you to the Associazione Parmense and their kind donation of £1,000 which was divided equally amongst the four teams.



OGI event planner

The OGIC is in the process of compiling an event planner whereby teams and associations submit the dates and details of any fund raising events which they may be holding over the course of the year.

This will be available for all to see on both on our web site and newsletter, which will not only help to publicise the events but also in their planning, hopefully reducing the number of clashes.

Obviously it will require the co-operation of everyone, to ensure that the information we hold is up to date



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Happy Birthday



Supporting each other

We all accept and understand that for the three days of the games, we are there to win, obviously fairly and with good grace, but win nonetheless. And while winning may be important, competing in OGI has always been about more than that.

The original ideals was to encourage everyone, regardless of their ability, to take part. And in so doing feel proud of being a part of that big family which is the Anglo Italian community. It didn't matter whether you were Italian or not, you were a part of the OGI and that was all that mattered.

Those ideals are as important today and as much a part of OGI's ethos, as they were 40 years ago. Which is why, once the games are over, the rivalry should stop and we should remember that we are all part of a big family, with the same goals and the same ideals.

Therefore, it is important that we try to support each other in our endeavours, because ultimately we are all trying to achieve the same thing.

OGI's original motto was "Remember OGI is for your children" a motto which is as true today as it was 40 years ago.



Jamie Townsend

Is one of our newest committee members and is also affectionately known as "Giacomo Finepaese".

He will be running the 26.219 miles of this years London Marathon on Sunday the 28th April, while hoping to raise at least £2,000 for a cause very close to his heart; namely the Greenwich & Bexley Community Hospice.

If you would like to show your support for Giacomo by making a donation, please visit his JustGiving page at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jamie-townsend?utm_id-24. And at the same time you will be able to read Giacomo's story and why he chose this particular charity.

In bocca al lupo.

The Quick Quiz

Another five questions to test your OGI knowledge. Answers in the next issue.

1. How many teams competed in the first OGI games?
2. In which London town hall was an OGI disco staged?
3. Which World Cup winner presented medals in 2014?
4. Which celebrity Italian chef opened the games in 2010?
5. How many teams have been crowned OGI champions?

Answers to the last quiz:

1. Les Rickard 2. 1995 3. Robert Collini 4. 4
5. Cariparma (Cassa di Risparmio di Parma)



Following last years delivery problems with the tracksuits, the OGIC is looking at alternative suppliers. Obviously, we will be in a better position to negotiate a discount if we all buy from the same source but we need to bear in mind that Joshila offered us a very competitive deal and in all probability we are unlikely to better it.

However, we will do our best to do so but in the meantime, if anyone knows of a supplier or has a contact in this area who may be able to help us, please forward us their details, thank you.

Information

If you would like further information on the OGI, you can either visit our web site at www.ogi-olympics.co.uk or email us at the address below.

Likewise, if you would like to contribute to this newsletter or would like us to promote your event, please email us at the address below:

ogic@ogi-olympics.co.uk



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Forthcoming Events for 2019



*Kelly's Eye and the Brighton Line,
Some food to eat and a bottle of wine.
Come with your children, friends & spouse,
Who's gonna be the first to yell "HOUSE"!!!!?*

Location: St John the Baptist Church Hall, Dale Road, Purley CR8 3EF

Date: Friday 8th February 2019

Time: Cash Bar Opens 7:00pm, Eyes Down 7:30pm

Ages: 4 - 104

Cost: £10 entry (food included), £5 per book (5 games) or £25 for 6 books

We will have 10 games and you can buy more than one book per game

AS Londra Sud invite you to a fun-packed fundraiser where you can win

big cash rewards and plenty of other prizes

Everybody welcome - men, women & children: young, old & somewhere in between

There are only a limited number of tickets available, so don't be disappointed

Phone or Text Morgana (07770780840)



The Green Army

Londra Sud's Bingo Night

Eyes down everyone for AS Londra Sud's bingo night which is being held at Purley in the church hall of St John the Baptist on Friday 8th February 2019

£10 entry which includes your food and £5 per book of 5 games or £25 for 6 books.

Get your marker pens ready and head down to Purley for some great food, great prizes and a fun filled evening.

For further info text or call Morgana on 07770780840.

St. Peter's OGI

Afternoon Tea & Bingo

St. Peter's will be holding their fundraising afternoon tea & bingo in the social club on Sunday 17th February 2019 at 3pm.

Entrance is £10 per adult and £6 for under 12's which includes tea, cakes and sandwiches, with the bingo costing £1 per game.

Great value, great fun and a great afternoon out. For further details or to reserve your place either contact Adele on 07781648789 or Gloria on 07983969879. Alternatively email: stpetersogi@hotmail.com

ST.PETER'S OGI

AFTERNOON TEA AND BINGO
SUNDAY 17TH FEBRUARY 2019
3PM START

ST.PETER'S SOCIAL CLUB
136 CLERKENWELL ROAD, LONDON, EC1R 5DL

ENTRANCE IS £10 PER PERSON,
CHILDREN UNDER 12 £6

INCLUDES TEA, CAKES &
SANDWICHES
BINGO WILL BE £1 A GAME

FOR TICKETS CONTACT
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Facebook: StPetersOGI
www.stpetersogi.co.uk

Classics at the Villa

2019

Sunday 12th May 2019

Save the date for this years Classic at the Villa car show, which promises to be the biggest and best yet. A must go to event for all you petrolheads, foodies and families alike, all set in the fabulous 25 acre grounds of The Villa Scalabrini. Ticket price TBC



OGIC GOLF DAY

HADLEY WOOD GOLF CLUB
BEECH HILL, BARNET, EN4 0JH

Following on from our highly successful 2017 Golf Day the OGIC will be holding another tournament on Monday 17th June 2019 at the beautiful Hadley Wood Golf club.

More details about the cost and how to enter will follow but in the meantime, if anyone is interested

SAVE THE DATE

Monday 17 June 2019

in sponsoring the event, holes, golf balls etc, please contact us at info@ogi-olympics.co.uk.

Please remember that your support and generosity is essential with all profits made going to help us stage OGI 2020 where we will be celebrating 40 years of OGI.



Grab those friends of yours* and prepare for this year's fun and memorable quiz night!

Sunday 17th of March, 3:30pm.

St Peters Social Club
136 Clerkenwell Road, London, EC1R 5DL



licensed BAR & RAFFLE!

Entry: £5

Email info@papercreatures.net to reserve your team's place!
*Maximum team size: 6 people

Paper Creatures

Fundraising Theatre Quiz

Following on from last years highly successful Sunday quiz afternoon, ex, Finchley competitor and son of the famous Maria, Gianni Tozzi, will be holding another fund raising quiz afternoon in the Sala Russo at St. Peter's Italian Club at 15.30 on Sunday 17th March 2019.

Entry is £5 per person with a maximum of 6 people per team.

For further info or to reserve your team's place please email: info@papercreatures.net

Save these dates

23/03/2019 Southgate OGI team will be holding a fundraising quiz night with fish 'n' chips at the Palmers Green United Reform Church, Fox Lane, London N13 4AL. Ticket price TBC

31/03/2019 Club Sociale Italiano di Finchley will be holding a fundraising Lunch at St. Michael's Grammar School, Nether St. N12 7NJ. Ticket prices & further information to follow

23/06/2019 Annual Scampagnata at The Villa Scalabrini, Green Street, Shenley WD7 9BB. Entrance fee TBC

07/07/2019 Club Sociale Italiano do Finchley's fundraising family scampagnata at the Villa Scalabrini, Green St. Shenley WD7 7NJ. Ticket price TBC to include food.