OE STAGS RUGBY

James Potter writes:

It's been another disappointing year for the Stags, and the season had almost ended before it had begun. The world stopped in motion and the Stags along with it.

Since the last review however, the Stags continue to move on. The continued support of the Old Eastbournian Association has been invaluable this year. New relationships have been forged with the school, to aid in a more cohesive relationship going forward. This I feel, was lost over the years. I can only thank the knowledge and support from David Stewart and Darren Meek. Their help has been insightful in how we can improve the Stags and grow.

Olly Torri, who was at the College only very briefly in my time, has been more than helpful in trying to re-energise the new generation of Stags, and for his help I am truly grateful. We now have a list of 'new blood' that we hope can bring a new spring of life to the Stags when we can eventually return to the field.

The Covid-19 era has given us a lot of time to think about how to better ourselves as a club, and what we could do in order to make it more appealing to play for the Stags. The discussions I have had over the past year have almost made it feel as though the Stags had become a separate entity from the College, which is something we have aimed to rectify going forward. Forging new relationships with the faculty and make the process in joining the Stags more streamlined. I can only hope that the younger years are as energetic about the Stags as the years that preceded them.

I look forward to what the next few years hold for the Stags. Hopefully, there will be a fresher look about us come the next time we take College Field.

I implore as many of the younger generation to get in touch when they leave the College, to continue playing the game of rugby in a friendly and social environment.

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