The Editors of Winchester Cathedral Record 1932-2022

In 2021, the 90th edition of *Winchester Cathedral Record* was published and was part of the Friends of Winchester Cathedral's 90th anniversary celebrations. In this *Editors' Notes*, the *Record's* editors are listed with short biographies of the first three editors, Canon Arthur Goodman, George Blore and Harry Altham, whose contributions cover the period from 1932 to 1965.

From the outset, the *Record* published articles about the Cathedral's history, architecture and events, well as annual reports and accounts, donations and obituaries. One feature that continued until 1970 was full addresses of new members, something that would not be allowed in our modern data protection age. From 1971 to 1974, the hometown of new members was carried but even that was removed from 1975 onwards.

In the table that follows, the editors are listed in date order, starting in 1932 and continuing until 2022. The editor is named in column 1 with their number of editions in square brackets. This is followed by the period of editorship, the editions that they edited and, finally Notes about them including dates of death (in some case) and the volume in which an obituary was published.

Editor [] indicates editions produced in editorship	Period	Editions edited (Nos, Year)	Notes
Canon Arthur (A.W.) Goodman, BD [1]	1932	1 (1932)	D. 1951
No named editor	1933, 1934	2, 3 (1933, 1934)	
George (G.H.) Blore MA [12]	1935-1946	4 (1935), 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 (1946)	D. 1960. Obituary in 30 (1961)
Harry (H.S) Altham DSO MC [18]	1947-1965	16 (1947), 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 (1964)	D. 1965. Obituary in 34 (1965)
No named editor	1965-1966	34 (1965), 35 (1966)	
Ronald (G.R.) Hamilton OBE TD [9]	1967-1975	36 (1967), 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44 (1975)	Started colour cover in 39 (1970). Retirement story in 45 (1976). D. 1990-91

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Major-General	1976-1985	45 (1976), 46, 47, 48,	Retirement story in
Robin (R.F.K.)		49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54	55 (1986). Obituary
Goldsmith CB CBE		(1985)	in 65 (1996)
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John (P.M.J.) Crook	1986-1994	55 (1986), 56, 57, 58,	Became Cathedral
[8.5]		59, 60, 61, 62, 63	Archaeologist
		shared with J.A.	
		Hardacre (1994)	
John (J.A.) Hardacre	1995-2003	64 shared (1995), 65,	Obituary in 81
[8.5]		66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71,	(2012)
		72 (2003)	
Major-General Paul	2004-2008	73 (2004), 74, 75, 76, 77	Obituary in 81
(P.S.) Bray CB [5]		(2008)	(2012)
John (J.A.) Hardacre	2009	78 (2009)	Obituary in 81
[1]			(2012)
Professor Roy	2010 - 2013	79 (2010), 80, 81, 82	Later edited Record
(R.O.) Weller [4]		(2013)	Extra. D. 2022.
Bruce Parker &	2014-2017	83 (2014), 84, 85, 86	
Lesley Bestwick [4]		(2017)	
Bruce Parker & Lucy	2018-	87 (2018), 88, 89, 90, 91	
Hutchin [5 so far]			

The first three editors

<u>Canon Arthur (A.W.) Goodman</u> edited the first edition of the *Record* and set the scholarly tone for subsequent editions. He was librarian to the Dean and Chapter from 1925 to 1948. He died in 1951.

George (G.H.) Blore edited volumes 4 to 15 from 1935 to 1946. He was a student (1882-89) and schoolmaster (1902-1930) at Winchester College. Much of his historical research and writing came after his retirement from the College in 1930. He was an inaugural member of the Friends of Winchester Cathedral (FOWC) in 1931 and edited the *Record* from 1935 until he handed over to his successor, H.S. Altham, in 1945/46. His booklet, *The Monuments of Winchester Cathedral* was the first in a long-running series published by FOWC. He also contributed 18 articles to the Record as well as several books on topics related to the College and Cathedral. He was the grandson of Edward Blore, architect and artist, who contributed illustrations to John Britton's *The History And Antiquities Of The See And Cathedral Church Of Winchester* (1817).

<u>Harry (H.S.) Altham</u> was a Winchester College housemaster (1913-1946), who had a distinguished WW1 record. After the war, he wrote the first history of cricket, which

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went to at least four editions with E.W. Swanton a later co-author. In 1945/46, he became joint editor of *Winchester Cathedral Record*, becoming sole editor in 1947 and contributing a wide range of historical articles until his death in 1965. Harry Altham was also long-time president of Hampshire Cricket Club and the chairman of the MCC's Test selectors in the early 1950s.

An article about H.S. Altham's life in College, cricket and Cathedral has been published in the 2022 edition of *Winchester Cathedral Record* (vol. 91) on pp. 40-41.

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