
The New Stocktonian



75TH ANNIVERSARY
ISSUE

1988 - 1989

RULES OF THE OLD STOCKTONIANS ASSOCIATION

(Revised February 1989)

1. The name of the Association shall be the "OLD STOCKTONIANS". The Old Stocktonians aims at continuing friendships and preserving that spirit of comradeship, which ought to exist among those who have been educated at the same college/school. These aims are to be achieved by means of social, recreative and educational pursuits.

2. The Association shall be open to the Former Students of the Stockton Sixth Form College and Grangefield Grammar Schools, formerly known as the Stockton Secondary Schools, and originally known as the Higher Grade School. Past and present members of the staff are also eligible.

3. The Officers of the Association shall be:-

a) Three Presidents, who shall be the present Principal, the Founder of the Association and a present member of the Association.

b) Up to six Vice-Presidents, one of whom shall be Senior Vice-President.

c) A Treasurer.

d) A Secretary and Assistant Secretary; or

A number of Section Secretaries for each of the sub-divisions of the Secretary's office as shall be determined at the Annual General Meeting.

These together with up to twelve elected members to make a total strength of between eighteen and twenty four, will constitute the Committee of Management.

With the exception of the Principal and the Founder of the Association, all Officers and other Members of the Committee shall be elected at each Annual General Meeting, which shall be held in December, or as soon thereafter as possible, and the Committee so elected shall be empowered to co-opt additional members.

The Annual General Meeting shall also appoint an Hon. Auditor.

4. In committee, four shall form a quorum.

5. Members will be encouraged to form sections for specific activities, but must first obtain the approval of the Committee of Management.

6. The Annual Subscription shall be payable on January 1st, the amount to be fixed annually by the Committee of Management and announced in the Year Book.

A lump sum may be paid, in advance, to cover two, five or ten such annual subscriptions.

Any member, who left school fifty years ago, or more, shall be permitted to retain membership of the Association for life, without further obligation.

7. An Extraordinary General Meeting may be called by the Committee of Management, or shall be called on demand in writing by twelve members of the Association.

Notice of such an Extraordinary General Meeting, and of the Business to be dealt with, shall be given to all members, or by general advertisement.

8. The Rules of the Association can be altered only at the A.G.M. or an E.G.M. and then only by a two thirds majority of those present at the meeting. All motions for any such alteration, shall be submitted in writing at least 28 days before the date of the A.G.M. or E.G.M.

THE NEW STOCKTONIAN

1988 - 1989

OLD STOCKTONIANS ASSOCIATION

(Founded by Evan Baldwin 24th January 1913)

An Association of Former Pupils of Stockton Sixth Form College and the Grangefield Grammar Schools, formerly known as Stockton Secondary School, and originally as Stockton Higher Grade School.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS £1.00

(Advance subscriptions for two, five or ten years would be welcomed!)

Cheques and Postal Orders should be crossed and made payable to:

'Old Stocktonians' Association'

Communications should be addressed to R. Ward Esq., 66 Butterfield Drive
Eaglescliffe, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland TS16 0EZ.
Telephone Eaglescliffe (0642) 784250

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Old Stocktonians' Association was formed in 1913 shortly after the translation of the Stockton Higher Grade School to the status of Secondary School. Changes in education inevitable with the passing years involved the movement of the Secondary School lock, stock and barrel from Nelson Terrace to the main field of the medieval Stockton Grange i.e. Grangefield and the establishment there of a Grammar School in 1951.

Further changes involved the pulling down of Stockton Grange Farm and the building of the Stockton Sixth Form College (16+ years) on its site. Grangefield Grammar School became comprehensive in 1973 and was renamed the Grange School (11 years - 16 years).

From 1896 until 1973 the age range of pupils connected with the Association had been from eleven to eighteen years. Old Stocktonians faced a dilemma, for originally membership had been for Old Boys only and it must now include Old Girls. Territorially its members had at one time or another been drawn from an area from Hurworth to Wolviston, and from Fishburn to Stockton (even Thornaby for a short time). It was decided after much heart-searching to base the Association on the newly created Sixth Form College for its catchment area was nearer to that originally covered.

Our War Memorials, tributes to fallen comrades of two World Wars, were accepted by the Grange School and Armistice Day continued to be observed. King and Armstrong prizes were also awarded there.

Yet more re-organisation in Secondary Education created Sheraton Grange School, this to be based on the Grange Field. Structural problems soon became apparent and caused the temporary abandonment of the building for necessary overhaul, modification and reconstruction. The return will occur in 1989. Nostalgia will be the order of the day for those Old Stocktonians who spent the formative years of their lives there.

As from 1989 students leaving the new school will be invited to join this Association if they so wish, but the Association will continue, as now, to be based at the Sixth Form College.

Throughout all these changes, and against all odds, the Old Stocktonians' Association has continued to exist largely due to the efforts of a small devoted group, the committee. My sincere thanks, and yours, are due to them in this our Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Year.

Tom Sowler

COLLEGE NEWS

During a time when the education service has been emersed in political controversy and debate and when its operations have been the subject of a major legislative initiative, occasioned we are told by a crisis in public confidence in its performance and by the need to make it more responsive and accountable to demands of students, parents and society at large, it is gratifying to record that the College is more popular than ever.

The College opened its doors in September, 1987 to a record number of 640 students overall. This year we have increased our numbers even further, and at a time when the number of 16 year olds is falling across the country, the College Roll has exceeded 700 students. We have welcomed a significantly larger number of "New Stocktonians" from our traditional 11-16 feeder schools in the town and also a substantial number of students from further afield, who have been attracted by our reputation and the opportunities which we offer.

Sixth Form Colleges have always operated in a market environment, with young people and their parents exercising choice, in the knowledge of a proven record of success in meeting the needs of the age group. On the examination front, we have for the eighth successive year gained over 500+ A-Level passes and some 279 of these were A, B and C grades - the target grades that the Universities and some Polytechnics are now setting for admission. Students on one year courses have also done well in the new G.C.S.E. examinations, whilst all the students on the CPVE course gained the certificate and a substantial majority secured employment, training or places in further education. We, however, can never be completely satisfied with our endeavours and the staff are constantly seeking new ways in which we can improve our performance and increase choice and extend opportunity within our educational programmes. In the last two years we have introduced Business Studies, Classical Studies and Government and Politics, Information Technology and Media Studies into the curriculum and are working with Bede Sixth Form College and Stockton and Billingham Technical College in a variety of new consortium ventures in order to provide enhanced opportunities and a richer experience for students in CPVE, Drama, Home Economics, Music and Modern Languages.

The College has always prided itself on offering a great deal more than academic achievement and opportunities to gain the qualifications which give access to Higher Education and employment: each term sees a wealth of extra-curricular activities - the product of the joint endeavour and enthusiasm of students and staff; and a selection of these, which give some flavour of life at College are recorded elsewhere in the magazine.

We have said goodbye to fewer members of staff during the last two years; Douglas Devey left us at Easter 1987 in order to undertake responsibility for the teaching of Religious Studies at Egglecliffe School, Sue Jones has secured the Head of History at Durham High School for Girls, and Sylvia Owens has obtained a post with responsibility for the teaching of Modern Languages at a comprehensive school in Suffolk. We congratulate them on their appointments and express our appreciation for their services at the College. Emily Major left the college in July 1987; she had a fine record in restoring and building the confidence of students' competencies and capabilities in mathematics. Finally, I must record the loss of Geoff Brady, of the Religious Studies Department and a founder member of the College - previously Head of Department at Grangefield Girls' School. He made a varied contribution to extra curricular activities at the Sixth Form College, and was reputedly "out-skating" students on a regular basis at the Billingham Forum during the last week of his teaching career. We all join in wishing him every happiness in his retirement.

I wrote two years ago of some of the developments and innovations in 16-19 education and as we start a new academic year as a busy and crowded College, the volume and speed of change shows no signs of abating. Nevertheless, we can look to the future with confidence for there is every indication that the "New Stocktonians" are of the same calibre as their predecessors, and will be satisfied with nothing less than the very best from their time together at the College.

H. R. Clarke - October, 1988

Drifting

*small boys spit from the bridge onto the toy town cars,
on their toes, heads just leaning over the railings,
the old man with flat cap and raincoat walks along the road,
he looks just like the one who weighs you for a price,
in the market on Wednesday.*

*a black crow circles the bleached sky,
bringing pictures of primary school,
cutting pieces of paper to stick to the wall,
think of it flying,
and then getting glue on your hands,
to peel it away when dry, like skin.*

*four wooden columns, different heights,
rise up from the creased waters,
half rotten, half covered in green moss,
on this side clambering over the barrier,
all these lines, the pavement, the bridge and the fence,
on this broken jetty, up to its ankles in this dirty water,
look down, dead tree branches slipping away,
by the tide,*

*this dull river won't let me see underneath it,
it catches the sun and fools my sight.*

*a plastic oil container floats by,
four shopping trolleys wait,
leaves gather in corners,
others wander aimlessly,
and coloured spirals turn round and round,
on themselves.*

see them on the street after the rain has fallen.

*the pale woman, like the leaves crosses the road,
slice an apple in half to see the colour of her skin,
long hair dyed black cuts her face,
printed lips pierce out,
turn about on the centre of where I'm standing,
to miss out her eyes.*

*and on this wooden wreck
standing at the edge,
shoes soles half wet,
the wood is damp,
don't move you could slip and fall,
so let everything disappear to the place
that lets you breathe
without thinking.*

*peer down, there's a grey stone bed,
see it move,
it takes a while to figure out how it got there.
the clouds made it,
they're in the sky,
and at the bottom of the river.
drop a pebble in there,
watch it lose itself to come back again.*

*those hard lines gently blur,
black and grey pencil marks,
on its skin weaken and calm down,
drawing me into a smaller point,
half a mile away from thinking,
as the water ceases to be moving*

*and I am quiet,
limbs held still,
senselessly drifting at walking speed,
staring dumbly at the river,
an unmoored rowing boat on dry land.*

COLLEGE ACTIVITIES

The activities refer to the period September 1987 to July 1988.

The Charities Committee

A Charities Christmas Card Sale was held at the College on Tuesday, 10th December at 7.30 p.m. The Committee raised over £500 for the Save the Children Fund from the above sale., through their provision of refreshments at the College Open Evening and through Carol singing in December. The College provided 20 collectors for the (Dr.) Barnardo's Flag Day on 14th November.

On the College's Annual Sponsor Day on 10th February over £1100 was raised for the North Tees Women's Cancer Appeal.

Community Service

Ms Taylor has now taken over responsibility for this activity. The following Community Service Programme has been arranged as a component of the programme of Wednesday afternoon activities:

Placement of 21 students in Infant and Junior Schools including 2 specialists in computing.

Norton Workshop - teaching basic literary skills to school leavers, involved 4 students.

Three students helping in a Toc H Friendship Circle for former Psychiatric patients.

Norton Priory - one student.

Home for the elderly - two students.

L.A. Day Nursery - one student.

Three students are visiting patients in the Psychiatric Unit and Creche at North Tees Hospital.

One student is helping at Wrensfeld E.S.N. (S).

Conservation Group

In the Autumn Term Mr Allison established a Conservation Group at the College and undertook various items of work in the College grounds including the planting of trees and also the digging of a pond for the use of moorhens at the Castle Eden Walkway. This last task was completed on 20th April. The next project is associated with the nesting sites of sandmartins.

Sporting Activities

Badminton : The Boys' team had a successful season, completing all of their fixtures, winning six and losing four matches to give a total of 18 out of a possible 30 points.

The Girls' team also had a successful season, winning five of their ten matches and losing two by the narrowest margin of 5 games to 4. They finished with 18 out of a possible 30 points.

Cricket : The College 1st XI lost only one match throughout the season. The U17 team once again reached the group final in the Midland Bank sponsored National tournament, and lost to a strong Durham School side which eventually defeated Millfield School in the Final. Leigh Beaumont was picked for Stockton C.C. 1st XI, Durham County U23 team and the North Yorks/South Durham representative team. Andrew Lamb and Alex Guest both played for the Stockton Junior team which won the North Yorks/South Durham Cup. Both boys also played for the successful South Durham team against North Yorks.

Golf : Three students played at the Cleveland/Durham Schools Golf Championship at South Shields.

- Hockey** : In the outdoor fixtures played this season the girls were very successful remaining undefeated in all matches, full details were:- P:11 W:9 L:0 GF:37 GA:7. Unfortunately towards the end of the season many matches were cancelled. Some matches were rearranged as indoor fixtures and here the team was less successful, the details were:- P:6 W:4 L:2 D:0 GF:21 GA:14. The County Tournament of which the team was last year's winners was unfortunately cancelled but the team did win the County K.O. Cup. In the Regional Round of the National Schools competition the team narrowly missed qualification, winning 1-0 against Durham School and drawing 0-0 with Dame Allan High School. The result was decided on goal difference. Ten students (B. Trainer, H. Penhallurick, J. Grainger, J. Ebdon, C. Hall, J. Foster, M. Court, J. Colam, J. Dee & J. Edmond) were selected for the Girls' District Team and four of these (B. Trainer, J. Foster, C. Hall & H. Penhallurick) were selected for the County Team. Early results in the Boys' Hockey were mixed, winning 4-0 against St. Mary's but losing 1-4 to Yarm School. After a bye in the first round of the Midland Bank Sixth Form Colleges Hockey Cup for England and Wales the team met Runshaw College, Preston in the second round at home and lost 1-4 in what was a very close result, despite the score. The team participated in the U19 Cleveland Schools Tournament on 12th April at Marton College and succeeded in winning the Trophy. At the end of the season the results read:- P:6 W:1 L:4 D:1 GF:9 GA:12.
- Netball** : After a promising start to the season the team fared less well than anticipated in the League, full details were:- P:15 W:5 L:8 D:2 GF:217 GA: 211. In the Teesside Polytechnic Tournament they reached the semi-final but were well beaten by the eventual winners, Hartlepool Sixth Form College. In the County Open Tournament they finished fourth, but unfortunately in the Barclays Bank Tournament were drawn against Hartlepool Sixth Form and were eliminated in the first round after a good match. The squad comprised mainly of 1st year students and therefore next season there should be a lot of experienced players. Six students (Melissa Thirkell, Denise Ainsley, Victoria Lambert, Alex Bage, Louise Fawcett & Amanda Savage) were selected for the Stockton District Squad and Melissa was selected for the County U18 team.
- Orienteering** : 22nd November: 10 students took part in an introduction to the sport at Guisborough.
13th December: Group of students took part in Stewarts Park event, Middlesbrough.
3rd January: 6 students took part in the Relay event at Stewarts Park. Members of the Orienteering Group entered a National Orienteering Event in March, two students competed and two helped to process the results.
24th April: The Group took part in the Whitby event.
- Rugby** : The prospects for a successful Rugby team at the start of the season were not bright as there was an obvious lack of Rugby talent. Our feeder schools had played no fifth year Rugby and we were thankful to have a large intake of ex-Red House boys available.

Our first game against King Edward School, Morpeth, was a very hard match and we lost 26-4. However, there were signs of potential, and, in our match with Dame Allan's School we won 17-7.

Unfortunately a succession of injuries and absences due to field trips has meant that we were only able to field weakened teams for our games against York SFC, Ripon Grammar, and St. Aidan's School and, inevitably, we lost quite heavily. We were almost at full strength when our visitors were Durham School and although beaten yet again the score was only 13-4 to Durham. More defeats followed in the Spring Term but the team ended the season on a high note with a draw against R.G.S. Newcastle and wins against Bede and Darlington Sixth Form Colleges. The College entered 7-a-side competitions at Durham School (5th March), Durham City RFC (9th March), Keswick (12th March), Morpeth (17th March) and Ilkley (20th March). At the Cleveland County Trial four boys from the College team, Richard Ellison, Simon Brown, Gary West and Jason Clark were included and Richard and Simon were selected for the County Squad. Simon Brown and James Redmayne played for the County.

Soccer : The First XI made an excellent start to the season in the Cleveland Colleges League Division A. In the Cleveland Area preliminary rounds of the English Schools Football Association (ESFA) Under 19's Trophy the team beat Acklam 6-1 in their first match but sadly were knocked out at the second hurdle 5-2 by a very good Marton team. The team finished runners-up in the League. In the Cleveland County Cup they reached the semi-final before being defeated 3-2 by St. Mary's 'A' team. Four players from the 1st XI squad: Ricky Brown, David Matthews, Jonathan Cooke and Alex Guest were selected to play for the Cleveland County Under 19's squad. The 2nd XI playing in the B Division of the League had a mixed start to the season losing 2-1 to Hartlepool SFC, but beating Acklam 4-3 and Bede 7-1. Later matches proved more successful however and the team finished runners-up in the B League with the record:-
P:10 W:8 L:1 D:1 GF:36 GA:13.

Tennis : Both Boys and Girls tennis teams played in the Cleveland County Leagues. Both were undefeated.
Boys: P:5 W:5 Scores: 25 rubbers for, 5 against.
Girls: P:8 W:8 Scores: 37 rubbers for, 11 against.

Art

On the 8th October all students in the Department visited the 8th Cleveland International Drawing Biennial. The Department noted sadly that the withdrawal of the Cleveland county Picture Loans Scheme (due to lack of funds) had meant 'empty walls' about the College in the initial part of the year. In January all students visited the 'Lowry' exhibition at the Cleveland Gallery. Also in January, first year students participated in a workshop sponsored and organised by the Arts Council. On February 24th all A-Level and GCSE students visited the Tate Gallery and the Royal Academy in London. All Art groups visited the exhibition of Prints by Patrick Canefield at the Cleveland Gallery during the 19th - 23rd April. During the week 11th - 16th July 20 students and Mr Shaw attended a Residential Art School at Dukehouse Wood Centre. Mrs Gill acted as Course Director for the 130 students from Cleveland who took part in the event.

Astronomy

The Cleveland Astronomical Society met at the College on September the 4th, and in November and December. The Authority has provided the College with a Satellite Receiver and a group of interested students under the direction of Mr. McCue was formed to study the reception analysis of data from orbiting satellites. The dish aerial for receiving signals from the geostationary satellite, Meteostat, is installed on the roof of the College. On 4th and 11th December Mr. McCue was invited to speak to 5th year pupils at Northfield School on aspects of Astronomy as part of their cross-curricular studies.

Biology

Second year A-Level students were involved on one-day fieldwork sessions at Hartlepool and West Gare in September and October and further work was undertaken at Castle Eden Dene and Thorpe Woods in October. GCSE fieldwork was arranged at the Castle Eden Walkway in October. Thirty eight A-Level students attended an A-Level study course during 31st January – 2nd February at Imperial College, London. On 13th/14th June A-Level Social Biology students visited an organic farm and a pig farm. On 14th July the same group visited the Great Yorkshire Show.

Careers

A meeting was held for parents and students in October concerned with 'Higher Education and Employment' which included inputs from Hull University and the County Careers Service. There was a visit to the Pharmacy department Open day at Sunderland Poly in November.

A group of students participated in the Cleveland Industry Education Unit's Pilot "Work Shadowing Scheme" with local industry and commerce and the professions. The following organisations were involved: North Tees Health Authority, Crossan and Company (Solicitors), Langbaugh Funeral services Ltd., Radio Cleveland, Cleveland County Council, R & I Unit, Dept. of Trade and Industry, Hymas and Brownlee (Quantity Surveyors), Davy McKee and the R.A.C. All the students participating considered the experience to be of great personal value and the Principal wishes to record his appreciation in this magazine for the work of the Unit and the generous help of the senior managers of the organisations hosting students within the scheme.

Twelve students and a member of staff attended the Science and Engineering Careers Convention at Teesside Polytechnic on 8th January. During May visits were arranged for 1st year A-Level students to York University, College of Ripon & St. John, Newcastle University, Newcastle Polytechnic, Hull University and Lincoln College of Further Education. In June and July 1st year A-Level students visited the London School of Economics, Imperial College, the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge and York and also attended the Higher Education Conference at Teesside Polytechnic.

Chemistry

Two students attended the Schools/Industry Project Week in July at Durham University. They were accompanied by Mr. Parking of Sheraton Grange School.

Classics

Twelve A-Level students and two members of staff attended the Classics Conference at Newcastle University.

Computing

A two day course was held at ICI – North Tees to investigate Computer Applications. In July 1st year A-Level students visited Teesside Polytechnic to use C.A.D. packages and North Tees Hospital to see computer applications in patient administration, sample testing and environmental control.

C.P.V.E.

Leisure and Recreation students visited the Forum, Castle Eden Walkway, the Parkmore Hotel, Crowtree Leisure Centre, Stockton Library and the Rainbow Leisure Centre. Distribution students visited various retail outlets in Stockton and Yarm. Leisure and Recreation students attended a residential fieldwork course on the North York Moors based at the Osmotherley Youth Hostel during December 9th–11th. Also during December the Distribution Group visited the Metro Centre at Gateshead. Students visited York on 6th May in connection with assignments in Retailing and Travel and Tourism. Also during the year Business Studies students visited various retail outlets in Cleveland.

Economics

On 1st February Mr Garnett, Mr Meggs, Mr Adlard, Mrs Marsden and six students assisted with the Norton School "Business Day" for 4th Formers. Mr Meggs and Mr Garnett also helped during Norton School's Industry Day. In April, as part of the 'Young Enterprise Scheme', students representing the College 'Mini-Company', consultants from Tioxide and Mr Meggs attended a presentation at the Gosforth Park Hotel, Newcastle – the two students presented the Company report. In May a local presentation of 'Young Enterprise Scheme' awards was made to the College Mini-Company at the Billingham Arms Hotel.

English

GCSE group visited Hartlepool Power Station Exhibition as part of their 'Aspects of Conservation' assignment. A-Level students attended a performance of "Macbeth" at Sheriff Hutton in November. A "Macbeth" workshop involving 1st year and GCSE students (who were joined by 50 fifth formers from Norton School) was held at the College in January. On 24th February A-Level students attended the R.S.C. production of "The Merchant of Venice" at Newcastle. A 'repeat performance' was made by A-Level students who attended "The Taming of the Shrew" on 2nd March. 2nd year A-Level students attended an A-Level revision day at Hartlepool E.D.C. on 11th March. In July a "Shakespeare Workshop" was held in the College for 4th year students from Blakeston School.

Geography/Geology

Geography Fieldwork was completed at the 'Loch Ranza' Centre, Arran during October. Work included: river and sediment studies, coastal studies and glaciation, geology and landscape. Fieldwork by the Geology Department included: Staithes; Ingleton (A and GCSE students). GCSE fieldwork days in Teesdale, Northumberland Coast and Shap Fell/Vale of Eden were held in March. In April 2nd year students had fieldwork days in Ingleton, Horton-in-Ribblesdale and Shap Fell/Carrock Fell. The annual visit to the Geological Museum in London was made by 2nd year students in May.

History

In January 2nd year students attended the annual County A-Level Study Day at Marton College.

Home Economics

In October A-Level students visited Billingham Sewerage works. On 16th March a joint visit by 1st year A-Level students from Bede and Stockton was made to Ilkley College of Higher Education to investigate Career Opportunities in Higher Education. A visit by A-Level students to Newcastle Polytechnic was made in July.

Law & Society

This is a new GCSE course at the College and the group was given a talk by a magistrate and a representative of the Crown Prosecution Service.

Mathematics

In July A-Level students attended a two day conference on 'Degrees in Mathematics' at Hull University.

Modern Languages

Year 2 A-Level students attended the annual County A-Level Study Day at Marton College in December. A successful French evening of Music, Singing & Dancing was held at the College on 23rd February to arrange finances for the student exchange with the Lycee Auguste Renoir at Asnieres. A-Level students attended a 'French Day' at Marton College on 2nd March. The annual L.E.A. Oral Fluency course held at Teesside Polytechnic during 23rd-25th March was attended by 1st year A-Level students. Ten Stockton students combined with seven students from South Park Sixth Form College to visit the Lycee Auguste Renoir in March. A return exchange by a party of French students was welcomed during the Easter Vacation. The exchange was organised by Mrs Hufton, Head of Dept. A very successful 4th year Intensive Course in French for pupils from the Stockton 11-16 schools was held at the College on 8th/9th June. On 12th/13th July A-Level students were sponsored by the College to enable them to participate in the exchange to Oberhausen during the Summer Vacation.

Music

Second year A-Level students attended the 'Music as an Advanced Level Subject' at Leeds University for two days in October. On 6th & 13th May all A-Level students took part in a Composers Forum (Master Classes) with Graham Fitkin - Composer in Residence at the Dovecot Arts Centre.

Physics

1st and 2nd year A-Level students attended a lecture on 'Problem Solving in Physics' at Teesside Polytechnic on 27th April. The department is very much involved with the set up of the satellite system in the College.

Religious Studies

All A-Level students and three members of staff attended the Religious Studies Conference at Newcastle University on 18th November. 45 A-Level students and two staff attended an A-Level Study Conference at Durham University.

Sociology

During the period 2nd - 5th March 49 students and 4 staff took part in a programme of visits in London - including the Houses of Parliament, Old Bailey & Bow Street Magistrates Courts, the London Docklands Development and the Museum of Mankind. Visits were also arranged to Harrow and Highgate Schools.

Technical Studies

Students in the Department under the direction of Mr Mills have been involved in the Design and Production of a number of tool trays to be placed in Primary Schools across the county as part of an authority initiative to introduce Design and Technology across the primary curriculum. All A-Level students visited the Design Centre and the Crafts Council on 24th February.

French Evening

Music, dance, songs, sketches, even French magic, cheeses, pates, French sticks, apple tarts, lager and French wines, not to forget the romantic candlelight! All this was part of 'A French Experience' offered by Stockton Sixth Form College on Tuesday, 23rd February 1988 to entertain parents and friends.

The College Hall was transformed for the evening into an atmospheric Parisian cafe, where fun and good cheer reigned throughout.

About £300 was raised to enable us to return to our visitors from Asnieres the generous hospitality they have twice bestowed on us.

DEGREE RESULTS 1988

David Andrew	B.Sc.	Chemistry	Durham University
Jonathan Andrew	B.Sc.	Microbiology/Biochemistry	Durham University
Judith Benson	B.Ed.	Education	Whitelands College
Adrian Burns	B.Sc.	Zoology	Liverpool University
Gillian Carnell	B.Sc.	Mathematics	Newcastle University
Elizabeth Clarke	B.A.	Religious Studies	Newcastle University
Andrew Doig	B.A.	Geography	St. Martins College, Lancaster
Simon Durford	B.A.	Economic & Social Studies	University of East Anglia
Jill Dyksman	B.Sc.	Marine Biology	Liverpool University
Helen Flanagan	B.Sc.	Microbiology	Warwick University
Helen Fowler	B.A.	Economic & Social Studies	University of East Anglia
Sean Goodhart	B.Eng.	Computer Systems Control	Coventry Polytechnic
Julia Green	B.Sc.	Geology	Manchester University
Catherine Harris	B.Sc.	Chemistry	Imperial College, London
Bryan Harrison	B.Sc.	Electronics/Computing	University College, London
Charles Henderson	B.Sc.	Materials Technology	Surrey University
Simon Hughes	B.Sc.	Physics	Durham University
John Ingram	B.A.	History	Newcastle University
Philip Kiberd	B.A.	Archaeology	Sheffield University
Diane Laybourne	B.A.	Librarianship	Newcastle Polytechnic
Andrew Murray	B.Eng.	Mechanical Engineering	Newcastle Polytechnic
Allison Noble	B.Ed.	Education	Manchester Polytechnic
Ian Pattison	B.Sc.	Civil Engineering	Manchester University
John Pelton	B.A.	Languages	York University
Jennifer Ranson	B.Sc.	Mathematics	Hull University
Edward Restall	B.Sc.	Computing/Physics	York University
Julian Richmond	B.Sc.	Computer Science	Leicester Polytechnic
Thomas Ripley	B.Sc.	Sports Studies	Crewe-Alsager College
Anthony Robertson	B.Eng.	Civil Engineering	Sunderland Polytechnic
Claire Robson	B.Ed.	Education	Middlesbrough Polytechnic
Andrew Ryan	B.A.	Zoology	Cambridge University
Michael Shingleton	M.A.	History	London University
Anne Simpson	B.Sc.	Mathematics/Geology	Sheffield University
Karen Storr	B.A.	Accounting	Lancashire Polytechnic
Paul Vasey	MB.BS.	Medicine	Dundee University
Peter Warren	B.A.	Sociology/History	Durham University
Robert Wild	B.Sc.	Chemistry	Sheffield University
David Williamson	B.Sc.	Pharmacology	Kings College, London
Caroline Witham	B.A.	English/American Studies	University of East Anglia
Mohammed Yaqub	B. Eng.	Electrical/Electronic Engineering	Leeds University

ANGLO - FRENCH EXCHANGE

The exchange visit between Stockton Sixth Form College and the Lycee Auguste Renoir at Asnieres (Paris).

After a very successful first exchange in 1987, Easter 1988 saw as rewarding and profitable a follow-up. This year, Stockton Sixth-Form College combined with South Park Sixth Form College from Middlesbrough. 18 students from both establishments, in the care of the party organiser, Mrs A. M. Hufton, Head of Modern Languages at Stockton and Mr E. Bell, Head of Physical Education at South Park, set off for Asnieres in the early hours of Sunday, 20th March.

With the exclusion of one young lady who had to be wheeled on board the hovercraft, having just fainted in the departure lounge, and sea-sickness which attacked a number of the party members, despite the protection of 'sea legs', the journey went smoothly and the group arrived in Paris, at the Rue Laffayette, that same afternoon, where Mrs Jean Vizern, the French teacher in charge, the host students and their families were waiting for them.

The organisation of the one week stay followed the same pattern as the previous year. Organised visits were scheduled during the week evenings and the week ends were spent with the families. Students also had the opportunity to attend lessons at the Lycee Auguste Renoir and sample the cream of French Education!

One of a number of memorable events was the official reception at the Town Hall in Asnieres, where a champagne buffet was provided and during which each visitor was presented with a souvenir. The Mayor himself made a speech of welcome and photographs were taken for the local newspaper.

The excursions included a trip round Paris on a bateaumouche, the visit of the Manufacture des Gobelins, the Musee d'Orsay (a former railway station converted into an Art Gallery), the Musee des Sciences et de l'Industrie at La Vilette, where the space section was particularly impressive, with a display showing the inside of a space shuttle. During the week, students' awareness was drawn to the architecturally changing face of the French capital. After Notre-Dame and the unmistakable Eiffel Tower, they explored the very modern district of La Defense with its tiled towers and the new Arch, the Centre Georges Pompidou and its display of pipeworks, the Forum des Halles, the latest fashionable shopping centre which replaced the historical indoor market. They found their way around the Underground system and enjoyed the mini-recitals in the R.E.R. (underground train to suburbs).

The Asnieres Council also invited Mrs Hufton and Mr Bell to a very cheerful meal in the best local restaurant.

The only excitement on the way home was a break down along the motorway in a service station which delayed the return by one hour.

On Easter Monday, 4th April, M. Vizern arrived at Middlesbrough bus station accompanied by a group of 18 Sixth Form students and a much larger group of 4th year pupils from the College Malraux and the College Auguste Renoir, also from Asnieres. The French party was met by Mrs Hufton, Mr Bell, representing the English Colleges and Mrs J. Garrod and Mrs A. Finney from Ian Ramsay School, as well as the English host families. Ian Ramsay School have also established, via M. Vizern, what seems to be a promising link with the younger population of Asnieres.

In England, the French students visited Stockton, Preston Park with Museum, Middlesbrough, Whitby and York. Added to the historical heritage and the North-Eastern countryside, a guided tour of ICI Wilton with introductory talk gave them a glimpse of the industrial developments in the region.

The French visitors were also cordially invited to a reception at Stockton Town Hall where the Worshipful Mayor, Councillor Mrs Malda Platts, bid them an official welcome. Mr Tom Sowler, local historian, introduced the visitors to the history of Stockton. This was followed by a visit to the Green Dragon Yard and Stockton Parish Church where Rev. David Whittington received the group.

After a whole day at Stockton Sixth Form College, the party departed again on Tuesday, 12th April in the morning. Their stay had been an enriching and rewarding experience. For all concerned it has been yet another very successful and enjoyable venture. Long live l'Entente Cordiale Franco-Britannique!

ANITA HUFTON

LOOKING BACK AND LOOKING FORWARD

At the time of writing (October 1988) the nomadic teachers and pupils at Sheraton Grange School are starting to prepare for a further removal, this time back to Oxbridge Avenue, our permanent home. Over a year before we were evacuated because a major building programme was planned for the site requiring asbestos to be disturbed. By January 1989 we will be home enjoying the improved facilities in Oxbridge Avenue, and the site on Ketton Road will be put to other purposes.

The most visible signs of improvement on the Oxbridge Avenue site are the large sports hall, a new technology block, and a new library complex connecting with the dining-hall, but there are many changes inside the main buildings, a new computer suite, drama studio, business studies area, music suite, improved facilities for home economics and art, refurbished science laboratories, and so on. The buildings have also been rewired and redecorated. When Old Stocktonians are invited to see round, as they will be in the Summer of 1989, I hope they will be impressed by the improvements, but will also feel that the essential character of the school has been retained.

When I took over as Headteacher in 1985, I was aware of the school's character, both in terms of its superb location and fine old buildings and in terms of its history, as far as I knew it. But meeting Tom Sowler and other stalwarts of the Old Stocktonians, has increased my knowledge and appreciation of the school's past and the affection with which former pupils still view their old school. I was asked to maintain the traditional remembrance service and was pleased to do so, but felt links could be further strengthened. When my request that pupils leaving Sheraton Grange School qualify for membership of the Association was granted, I was delighted.

Now we are planning a series of events to celebrate both our history and our return to the Oxbridge Avenue site. You may have seen in the press requests for memorabilia of school days spent in the Grangefield buildings or the Nelson Terrace buildings, and I hope readers of this publication will be kind enough to lend items for exhibition. Tom Sowler is currently writing a history of the school and the Old Stocktonians Association, and we hope publication will co-incide with our celebrations, presenting opportunities for old friends to meet and indulge in a little nostalgia.

For me, all this also has an educational purpose. I want our present pupils to have a sense of their history. And since the history of our school runs parallel with most of the period of universal compulsory education in England, our story should be of interest to a wider public. If we get a good response from former pupils, we should be able to mount a very interesting series of displays and exhibitions, and when guests are invited to view them they will also have an opportunity to see our new extensions and improvements, bringing the story right up-to-date.

Our future as a school looks bright. I hope the Stockton Community and, particularly, the Old Stocktonians, will feel able to share in the future as well as the past.

RICHARD NICHOLSON
Headmaster
Sheraton Grange School

OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION
(founded by Evan Baldwin 24th January 1913)

LIST OF OFFICIALS FOR 1988

PRESIDENTS :-

Mr. T.F. Sowler (Association President)
Mr. E. Baldwin (deceased) (Founder President)
Mr. H.R. Clarke (Principal)

VICE-PRESIDENTS :-

Mr. R.E. Bradshaw	Mr. J.G. Rattenbury
Mr. B.P. Brand	Miss L. Waring*
Mr. P. Graham	

(* denotes Senior Vice-President)

OFFICE BEARERS :-

Hon. Treasurer: Mr. C.J. Beeston
Members' Correspondence Secretary: Mr. R. Ward
Membership Records' Secretary: Mr. C.J. Beeston
Minutes Secretary: Mr. J.A. Green
Dinner Secretary: Mr. B.P. Brand
Year Book Editor: Mr. P. Graham
Advertising Manager: Mr. F. Jackson
Sports Extravaganza Coordinator: Mr. P. Graham

COMMITTEE (with above);

Mr. R. Gillespie	Rev. Mrs. J.M. Thomas
Mr. J. Ingham	Mr. R. Wynzar

HON. AUDITOR:-

Mr. D.L. Steel, F.C.A.

STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES 1987-88:

Miss R.E. Brown	Miss J.E. Wood
-----------------	----------------

LADY MEMBERS OF STAFF OBSERVERS:

Mrs. V. Pyrah	Mrs. P.A. Oxley
---------------	-----------------

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1988

This is to be held on Monday 6th February 1989 at 7.30p.m. in the Staff Room of Stockton Sixth Form College, Bishopton Road West, Stockton-on-Tees.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence.
2. Minutes of 1987 AGM held on 8th February 1988.
3. Matters arising (other than items 8, 9, & 10 below).
4. Membership Records Secretary's Report.
5. New Stocktonian Editor's Report.
6. Hon. Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet.
7. Benevolent Fund Report.
8. History of the Association/Schools.
9. Admission of Former Pupils of Sheraton-Grange School.
10. Alterations to Rules 1 and 2. *
11. Election of Officers. **
12. Election of other members to Committee. **
13. Appointment of Hon. Auditor.
14. Date of next Committee Meeting in April.
15. Any other business.

* Committee's proposal for addition to Rules as underlined (no deletions):

1. The those who have been educated at the same college/school.
These aims
2. The Association shall be open to the Former Students of the Stockton Sixth Form College and Grangefield Grammar Schools, formerly known as the Stockton Secondary Schools, and originally known as the Higher Grade School; and also the Former Pupils of the Sheraton-Grange School and of the former Grange School. Past and.....

** Your Committee has put forward no nominations for either the Officers or the other members of the new 1989 Committee, so it is entirely up to YOU the reader to nominate YOUR choice, but which must include the signatory of the named person confirming his/her willingness to stand. Currently there are 2 - 8 vacancies on the Committee.

Besides nominations, YOUR support/comments would again be most welcome at this forthcoming AGM, so please jot down the date in your appointment diary NOW.

Note: As required by the Rules, the Annual Subscription for the forthcoming year has been fixed by your retiring Committee at the same rates as at present of £1.00 or for the first year on leaving the Sixth Form College/Sheraton-Grange School of 50p.

J. A. GREEN

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1987

This was held on 8th February 1988 in Stockton Sixth Form College with Mr P. Graham, our Association President in the Chair. Others present were: Mr H.R. Clarke (Principal President), Miss L. Waring, Messrs B.P. Brand, T.F. Sowler, C.J. Beeston, J.A. Green, J. Ingham and R. Ward. Apologies for absence were received from Rev. Mrs J.M. Thomas and Mr F. Jackson.

The Minutes of the 1986 Annual General Meeting were read and with one minor correction, confirmed as a true record. In matters arising, it was noted that the Students' Council had declined to contribute towards the loss on the Year Book for 1986-87, and that an invitation to a local member to attend a Committee Meeting had also been declined. The Chairman was able to advise that in 1987, there were three new members, 115 Annual members of whom 71 had paid subscriptions, and 233 Life Members with confirmed addresses.

The Chairman, as Year Book Editor, apologised for the omission by the printer of the Principal's message, not noticed in the proof reading of the individual pages. He stated that 1030 copies of the year book had been printed at a cost of £468 plus £44 for envelopes and £50.95 for postage, up this year at 20p each copy inland although for the same number of pages. It was noted that the obtaining of advertisers is becoming more difficult with the loss of Barclays Bank and Teesside Polytechnic, both full page regular supporters in the past, but two new full page adverts had been obtained by the printers from McLean Insurance and Balloonatics. The expected income is £286, giving an overall loss of £276.95. The Editor expressed his thanks to Mr F. Jackson and Mr R. Ward for their efforts, to Mr J. Ingham and Mr H.R. Clarke for their assistance. The meeting in turn thanked Mr P. Graham for his work.

The Hon. Treasurer reported that the finances were adequate for present requirements, but that the year to 30th June 1987 had not been as financially successful as the previous year with less from subscriptions and donations, a smaller surplus from the Annual Dinner, and a heavy drain for the Year Book 86/87, giving a deficit on the year of £97.71 compared with a surplus of £257.27 in the previous year. The Balance Sheet showed the Life Members' and General Fund standing at £1203.97, and the Memorial Prize Funds at £329.05. It was however noted that subscriptions of £90 and donations of £250 had been received since June 1987, with one single donation being of £100. Mr Beeston thanked Mr D.L. Steel for his services as Hon. Auditor.

In answer to questions, the Hon. Treasurer explained that the prize expenditure from the King and Armstrong Fund had not actually been paid out now for 3 years but was included under the Creditors Liabilities; if however prizes were not to be awarded then the amounts would be transferred back to the Prize Fund account. He also explained that the interest was given gross, with the tax (already deducted by the building society) shown separately as Corporation Tax expenditure; and that the high amount of cash in hand was mainly due to the lateness of the 86/87 Year Book causing payments from Advertisers not to have been put through before the year end.

The Convener of the Benevolent Fund gave his report on the Fund as printed elsewhere in this Year Book.

The Committee's proposal for alteration to Rule 3(d) etc as printed in the agenda to both ratify the split of the Secretary's duties necessary at the previous AGM, and to maintain the same total Committee strength following the possible greater number of Officers, was carried unanimously.

It was noted that Rules 1 and 2 should be updated by reference to College and Students instead of to School and Pupils; and since the admission of former girl pupils to the Association, reference to Grangefield Grammoar, Stockton Secondary, and Higher Grade should each be to 'school' in the plural. It was agreed that a suitable proposal should be put before the members at the next AGM.

The Committee's nomination of Mr T.F. Sowler for Association President in this anniversary year was carried unanimously and he duly took over the Chairmanship of the meeting. The remaining four existing Vice-Presidents together with Mr P. Graham were all duly elected as Vice-Presidents.

The other Office Bearers were all re-elected en bloc and so were the existing four other members of the Committee. There still remained unfilled between 2 and 8 vacancies on the Committee. (Please note that there was no one other than the Committee Members present).

Mr D.L. Steel was re-appointed as Hon. Auditor.

Under any other business, the arrangements for the 1988 Annual Dinner were given; a letter from the Head of Sheraton Grange School requesting admission to the Association for his former pupils was referred for Committee action; and Mr Sowler mentioned the layout for his history of the Association/Schools.

The Chairman closed the meeting after 1 hour 47 minutes.

JOHN A. GREEN
Minutes Secretary

62ND ANNUAL DINNER

The 62nd Annual Dinner of the Association was held in the Parkmore Hotel, Eaglescliffe on Saturday 19th March 1988.

Our guests were the MP for Stockton North, Frank Cook and the Mayor of Stockton-on-Tees, Malda Platts.

Frank Cook gave us an interesting insight into the life of Brass Crosby, a son of Stockton, who championed free speech in the late eighteenth century when, as Lord Mayor of London, he freed a printer who had been imprisoned by Parliament for reporting debates of the House of Commons (before Hansard was envisaged).

Frank then proposed the toast to the Association and was thanked in the response by our President Tom Sowler, who incidentally suggested the name Crosby to Vaux breweries when they were renaming their Public Houses. It was accepted for the former 'Fairfield', where I believe Frank Cook and Derek (Mugsy) Muirhead have been know to play darts! Tom then introduced the Mayor, Malda Platts, who said she wanted to attend our dinner to thank the Association for charitable work done, over the years, since its foundation, especially the children's treats of the 30's.

Tom thanked her and brought the evening to a conclusion by reminding us we had a bar extension!

Our numbers were down this year because we clashed with a Twickenham International. We clash next year (this year!) with France/Scotland and Wales/England so I hope our number won't be affected so much.

Those attending the dinner, roughly in order around the room, as the 'guest book' did its rounds were:

Paul Graham (58-65), John Green (40-46), Derek Graham (59-61), Linda Graham, Christopher Beeston (61-68), Janice Graham (58-64), Richard Hill, Graham Riley, Jean Bell, Roger Pinder and Helen Brew (guests from the Students' Rep. Council at the College), Pat Brand, Annette Gysin, Clive Bell (47-54), Brian Brand (47-54), Derek Muirhead (64-71), Arthur Dodgson (64-71), Jim Durrant (49-84), Winifred Houston, Olwyn Purnell (24-28), Ron Purnell (24-29), Tony Atkinson (59-64), Stuart (Choose a number 1 to 4) Dick, Peter Sowler (53-60), Fred Jackson (53-59), Bob Ward (54-59), Billy Webster (64-71), Dermot D'Arcy (49-86), Mrs D'Arcy.

63RD ANNUAL DINNER

The venue is the PARKMORE HOTEL, Eaglescliffe.

Date: Saturday 18th March 1989 (7.00 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.)

Tickets are £10.50

from Dinner Secretary, Brian Brand, 24 Ainderby Grove, Hartburn, Stockton, Cleveland TS18 5PJ (S.A.E. Please) or from Committee Members

The guest has yet to be arranged.

Non-members of the Association are most welcome.

63RD ANNUAL DINNER

Menu

Oxtail with Madeira

Roast Spring Chicken
coated in Herbs
Selection of Vegetables and Potatoes

Sherry Trifle

Coffee with Cream and Mints

Note: If you require a vegetarian meal, please contact Brian Brand direct, at the above address or on (0642) 583025

PARKMORE HOTEL

and

Leisure Club

636 Yarm Road
Eaglescliffe
Stockton-on-Tees
Cleveland TS16 0DN
Telephone (0642) 786815
Telex No. 58298



AA ★★★ RAC

- * 56 Ensuite Bedrooms, including 4 Four-Posters.
- * Luxurious LEISURE CLUB with indoor swimming pool, jacuzzi, steam bath, sauna, solarium, snooker, gymnasium and hair & beauty salon.
- * A La Carte Restaurant open seven nights a week.
- * Purpose built facilities for conferences, dinner parties, functions etc., up to 100 persons.
- * Extensive Bar Lunch menu available with traditional lunch available on Sundays.

Whatever your requirements, give us a call on Eaglescliffe 786815. We are extremely competitive and give excellent value for money.

C. W. KING MEMORIAL PRIZE

Founded by the Old Stocktonians to perpetuate the memory of C. W. King, M.A. Jesus College, Oxford and London; Assistant Master 1908-46 and Senior English Master for 23 years at the Secondary School. The Prize, now valued at £5, is awarded for excellence in English at Sheraton Grange School.

G. G. ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL PRIZE

Founded by the Old Stocktonians to perpetuate the memory of G. G. Armstrong, M.A. M. Litt., Armstrong College, University of Durham; Senior History Master 1921-48 at the Secondary School. The Prize is awarded annually, in the sum of £5, for excellence in History at Sheraton Grange School.

With the recent upheaval due to repairs and rebuilding at the old Grangefield buildings the above prizes have not been competed for in the last four years. We hope to continue the awards for 1988/89 at the Sheraton Grange School who are to move back into the buildings in January.

EVAN BALDWIN MEMORIAL PRIZES

Founded by the Old Stocktonians to perpetuate the memory of the Founder of the Association, Evan Baldwin (1882 - 1965), O.B.E., Hon. M.Ed (Dunelm); Geography Master 1906-32. The Prizes are awarded annually at Stockton Sixth Form College in the sum of £8 and one year's membership of the Association each.

	1986/7	1987/88
Sportswoman	Liz Smith	Michelle Court
Sportsman	Geoff Lee	David Guest
Services to College	Lorraine Clark	Guy Moule

JACK HATFIELD & SONS

THE NORTHS LEADING
SPORTS OUTFITTERS

39/41 BOROUGH ROAD
MIDDLESBROUGH
CLEVELAND
TS1 4AF

Telephone:

Middlesbrough 246129

& 210798 (STD 0642)



THE OLD STOCKTONIANS' BENEVOLENT FUND

On the 1st January 1987 there was a credit balance at the Darlington Building Society of £1808.03. Loans totalling £200 were made and these were completely repaid within the year. A donation of £10 was received from Mrs Marian Guile, interest for the year amounted to £93.02. The credit balance at the Darlington Building Society on 31st December 1987 therefore amounted to £1911.05.

During the current financial year (1988) £75 has been received in donations from the Worshipful the Mayor of Stockton, Mdm. Cllr. M. Platts and from the Students' Council of the VIth Form College. To date £150 has been paid out in grants and loans. Further requests are at the moment being considered.

Our thanks are, once again, due to Mr John Ingham for auditing the accounts.

Donations to the Fund are always welcome.

Appeals for assistance may be made, in confidence, to Mr Howard Clarke, Principal of the Stockton Sixth Form College, or to Tom Sowler, 2 Highfield Crescent, Hartburn, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland TS18 5HH. (Telephone: 0642 - 580690)

TOM SOWLER

OUR SPORTING LIFE

SPORTS EXTRAVAGANZA - Wednesday 13th April 1988

As Easter was 'early' this year it was necessary to hold the Extravaganza after the College holiday in the hope that many of the University and Polytechnic students would be able to support the events as they would not have 'come down' before the holiday. The weather, for a change, was good but I'm not sure it was to the Old Students' advantage.

Once again the Association is indebted to Pete Hudson, Vera Pyrah, Ruth Grainge and Liz Marsden at the Sixth Form College for all their efforts, for without them there would have been no events at all. Thanks also go to Stocktonians who organised and participated in sports. Special thanks are due to one of our organisers who is 'retiring' this year. Paul Raines is leaving the area to join the Metropolitan Police and the Association is grateful for all the time and effort Paul has put into organising the rugby event over the last three years - we wish him well in his new career. We are fortunate in having Geoff Lee to take over from Paul.

LADIES' HOCKEY: Lost } - No reports available as we went to press.
LADIES' NETBALL: Won }

RUGBY Won 44 - 4

Team: Paul Raines, Andrew Bean, Geoff Bean, Jonathan Sayers, Geoff Lee, P. Stevenson, J. Branson, A. Richmond, J. Coates, W. Hudson, C. Skinner, Tuan, Hewitt, Gibbs, Melanoy, Brown.

In a game played in near perfect conditions the College captain, after winning the toss, decided to play with what little wind there was. For the first ten minutes of the game the College XV kept the Old Boys pinned in their own half. Gradually the Old Boys started to run the ball well out of defence and with a strong and mobile pack of forwards started to move the ball down the field. This led to the Old Boys' first try, scored by P. Raines after a good set up by the forwards and good handling by the backs. Shortly after A. Bean barged over for the Old Boys' second try. Just before half-time the College scored what was to be their only try. In the second half the Old Boys took control and ran in some superb tries, the best of which was a solo run by A. Richmond to round off a good clean game enjoyed by all.

PAUL RAINES

SOCCER: Lost 1 - 3

Team: D. Bailey, M. Bailey, M. Cockburn, G. Bennington, J. Brookes, K. Tulip, S. Phillips, R. Bailey, G. Johnstone, K. Fawcett, I. Hamblett.

In conditions not customary to Old Boys confrontations with the College, good weather and a perfect pitch prevailed, but the Boys were not dismayed. The Boys lost the toss, yet another step in the wrong direction, straight from the kick off the College attacked down the right and went close with a spectacular shot. It wasn't long before the College's elusive right winger broke away from M. Bailey and centred for the College centre-forward to tuck the ball away with ease; 1 - 0. This fired the Old Boys up slightly and two forays into the College half ended with both Johnstone and Phillips going close. HALF TIME 1 - 0.

The second half began with the Boys pinning the College back in their own half with some fierce tackling and from this sudden surge of aggression Fawcett put Phillips away who crossed from the right to find Hamblett at the far post, who scored with a good ground shot; 1 - 1. Unfortunately for the Boys this goal gave the College the boost they were looking for and there were a lot of end-to-end exchanges, with the best chance for the boys coming from R. Bailey who shaved the post with a good shot. From the ensuing goalkeeper's clearance the College centre-forward was engaged in an arm-wrestling match with John Brookes. The resulting penalty was unmercifully converted by the College even with the distraction of D. Bailey in goal, a fearsome sight in anyone's eyes; 2 - 1.

At this point the Boys crumbled. It may have been due to the fact that Gary Pallister (M'bro and England) arrived on the side-line to witness the spectacle and a couple of Boys players (names withheld) resorted to try and impress with solo ball juggling and various other feats of wizardry in front of the dazed Pallister. Unfortunately this doesn't win games and the College, with a display of good midfield possession ended with a suspiciously 'offside looking' College forward burying the ball past Bailey in the Boys' goal; 3 - 1 FINAL SCORE.

Hard luck Boys, well done the College. Here's to the next year and let's hope it's muddy!!

JOHN BROOKES

MEN'S BASKETBALL: Won 88 - 37 (approx)

The team had a fairly easy ride this year as the score suggests but as they know only too well there can be no future relaxations and it is hoped to field a strong team in 1989!

IAN ROBERTS

MIXED VOLLEYBALL: Void

As has happened quite frequently in past years there was a problem getting a team together. With the help of the College enough students were 'borrowed' to play a friendly fixture which, although enjoyable, lacked the 'bite' of a real competitive match. The team generally relies upon basketball players from the men and netball/hockey players from the women, but that should not stop players from other 'disciplines', who are unable to get a game at their usual sport, from volunteering! Come on, let's hear from you!

IAN ROBERTS

MEN'S HOCKEY: Won 10 - 1

SPORTS EXTRAVAGANZA 1989

The 1989 Sports Extravaganza will be held on Wednesday 12th April 1989. This is due to Easter occurring early again this year and the late return of students from Universities and Polytechnics. If you are a sportsman/sportswoman of any standard, we would be pleased to see you as a player; otherwise do come along as a spectator at Stockton Sixth Form College from 1.30 p.m.

We hope to organise a 'get together' at a local hostelry on the evening of the Extravaganza. More details and tickets will be available from coordinators closer to the events. (Price ? 50p - £1)

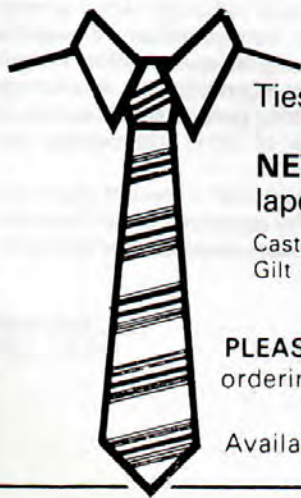
Team Coordinators:

Eleanor Smith	Ladies Hockey and Netball	552816
Geoff Lee	Rugby	611923
John Brookes	Soccer	570085
Ian Roberts	Men's Basketball/ Mixed Volleyball	94-6076 (613921 Work)
John Ions	Men's Hockey	93-30928

The problems of getting together a rugby team are increased by the advisability of playing an UNDER-21 team against the College. This is due to problems over liability for any injuries that may arise during a game which involves older players. It is especially important therefore that pupils who are currently students (and rugby players) contact Geoff Lee to help us field a team in future years.

As usual we are pleased to meet 'old' Stocktonians on this occasion and it may be an opportunity for past College members to call and see staff at the College earlier in the afternoon.

OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION



Ties, new narrower style £3.05

NEW Stick Pins for your
lapel £1.70

Castle and Anchor Motif, 5/8" diameter
Gilt on black enamel background

PLEASE ADD 20p p & p when
ordering one or both items.

Available from the Hon. Secretary.



THEN AND NOW

Although in what might be called the sere and yellow but happily feeling neither, I wonder if education in my years at the Secondary School 1923 – 1927 was inferior in any way to that of today – and I speak as a parent of sons with children of their own now being educated.

Tearing aside the rosy glow of the backward look and possibly the rapture of being young at the material time, it seems to me the school at Nelson Terrace was extremely well-equipped for its purpose. If not in fine architectural style, the gymnasium was purpose-built, it had its climbing bars and ropes, vaulting horses and the like, and a first-rate and specialist physical training master in Sydney Dumble. It was an excellent and ample place for assembly with a suitable raised walkway with balcony from which the Headmaster Crockett could speak to us. And do I not remember polished boards on the wall giving the names of students who had gained scholarships and exhibitions or had succeeded in some other way – such as becoming Dux of the school.

The chemistry and physics laboratories were also designed for the purpose and presided over by masters Nicholson, Baker and Bremner, all knowledgeable on their subject. The facilities for the study of art and music were adequate enough and the teaching by Messrs. Allen and King skilled and sensitive. Mr Upton's workshops were also well-equipped; he knew his job and could teach admirably by example.

Looking back, I see the teachers as nigh on uniformly excellent, with one or two more forbidding than others. They wore their academic robes on most occasions, were models of good and relaxed manners and dignity, and never in my experience had recourse to physical discipline. Cutting and humorous biting remarks were quite adequate, supplemented by the occasional few lines or detention. They were respected by young and old and deserved it.

A new sportsground was acquired in my day, on the site of the now Grangefield School, so football involved a walk to and from Nelson Terrace. No hardship for me as I lived in Grays Road nearby and did the journey on foot four times a day. It also involved walking up and down the sports area (for some time) picking up the stones which would have otherwise lacerated the legs of rumbustious footballers.

All this may seem a trite enough rambling about yesteryear but it is really a panegyric insofar as that school gave me a grounding, with a great deal of guidance in the evenings from that great man Evan Baldwin, to get through matriculation, Inter-B.Sc., and final external degree examinations. This is not, I repeat not, self applause but rather an indication why I wonder whether better education and teaching principles (as distinct from facilities) are available today. The curriculum was strictly of the three R's type relating to mathematics, French, English Literature and grammar, history, geography, physics, chemistry, art, workshops and sport – competitive. That seems an adequate list for schooling purposes, particularly as I remember the period in question contained all kinds of other discoveries and excitements.

I must be wrong. Things must be better now. But curiously enough in recent years as a moderator of professional and post-graduate examinations, my greatest concern has been to see poor presentation and less enquiry, and even folk who never question their computer or calculator.

Ah me.

W.L. WILSON
(1923–28?)

THE NEW ALADDIN'S LAMP

(Tribute to Toc H)

Aladdin, in the long ago,
Found an old and dingy lamp;
But when he tried to polish it, The Genie of the Lamp,
With zest and blow,
From down below,
Made obseience to the lamp.
Made obseience to the owner of the old and dingy lamp.

It turned out quite impossible
To polish up the lamp,
For every time Aladdin tried, the Genie of the Lamp,
Appeared at once,
In quick response
To the summons of the lamp.
To the summons of the old and dingy lamp.

Now in the not-so-long-ago
Appeared another lamp,
A still-quite-old and still-quite-dingy ever-burning lamp,
A Genie too,
Though out of view,
Is residing in that lamp.
Within the mildewed metal of the new-old dingy lamp.

The caves of Ali Baba never held so great a treasure
As the spirit of the new Aladdin's lamp.

Jack Haigh
(1921-1924)

Angela's Delicatessen

WINE & CHEESES PARTY CATERING

HOME COOKED BUFFETS

My Buffet Selection

All menus are inclusive of sweets.

All prices include accessories, delivery
and layout.

Variations on all menus available.

All functions catered for -
Children's Parties, Weddings.

for further information and bookings

Telephone

Stockton 360641



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

UNLESS YOU THE READER CAN SUPPLY US
WITH COPY FOR THE NEXT MAGAZINE
THERE MAY NOT BE ONE TO READ!!

DON'T BE SHY - GIVE US NEWS
OF YOURSELF OR OTHER FORMER STUDENTS
OR WRITE SOME ARTICLE(S) FOR
INCLUSION IN THE NEXT ISSUE.

NEW MEMBERS

MICHAEL BREWER (1981-84) writes from London to join the Association and tell us that future plans involve him in entry into the Civil Service.

STUART BREWER (1986-88) is expecting to proceed to Higher Education this year.

TONY CAINS (1986-88) is spending one year at Austin Rover before going up to Cambridge to complete three further years of a 'thick sandwich course' in Engineering.

HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION & SCHOOLS

Tom Sowler expects to 'go to press very shortly with his history of the Association and Schools. The booklet will have a glossy yellow cover, similar to Tom's 'Town House' publication, have about 32 pages and will cost £2.50 (including postage and packing). We hope to have the magazine on sale by the end of February, coinciding with the official opening of the Sheraton Grange School (ex-Grangefield buildings), after their refurbishment. If you would like copies, please contact:

Tom Sowler, 2 Highfield Crescent, Hartburn, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland TS18 5HH. (Telephone: 0642-580690) or the Secretary of the Association. We expect many copies to be taken by local museums so please contact as soon as possible so that we can print more copies, if needed.

FORMER STUDENTS HERE AND THERE

L.V. ('Lol') ATKINSON (1956 - 63) we understand is currently lecturing in the Mathematics department of Sheffield University - no other news, sadly.

W. AUTON (1949 - 54) has notified us of his new address in Camberley, Surrey, but no further news!

MARK AYRE (1972 - 79) writes to tell us that he left the Health Service (jobwise that is!) in October 1987 and has now joined the North Yorkshire Police. At the time of writing he was in training at Aykley Heads, Durham. The training will have been completed in May, after which he will be stationed in Harrogate and is looking forward to the challenges ahead! Many thanks for the new address Mark and the nice top up of subs.

GEOFF BARLOW (1956? - 63) is working for a chemical firm in Jarrow. As Geoff lives in Cleveland this means a long journey. Geoff's wife **SANDRA (nee HONEYMAN)** (?) is teaching Home Economics at Ian Ramsay School in Stockton (which, for 'exiles' is sited where the new Stockton Grammar building was built, in Fairfield).

J.W. BEADLE (1926 - 30) confirms his address and includes a generous donation to funds (many thanks!) claiming to have no news of interest. ("Not so!" 20+ voices of your era say!) Although his visits 'up North' from Leicester are infrequent he likes to keep in touch with his 'old seat of learning' and encourages us to keep up the good work.

PERCY H. BELL (1914 - 1918) sends a generous donation with his confirmation of address. As he is approaching his 86th year he realises that his generation is becoming 'rather thin' but he is always pleased to hear of how Old Boys are faring even though the

news is sometimes rather sad. As one of the train boys from Bishopton, Percy was always late in the morning and had to stay after 4p.m., waiting for the 6p.m. train, and imagines that the 6 to 8 such travellers (boys and girls) were a nuisance to the caretaker (whose name he believes was Bowran). Percy and his wife celebrated their Diamond Wedding some time ago (belated, but nevertheless heartfelt congratulations to you both on behalf of the Association – Editor).

FIONA BRAITHWAITE (1969 – 1976) was among the first entry to the Sixth Form College. After teaching History at Acklam Grange 11 – 16 School in Middlesbrough, Fiona took up a post at Marton College in 1985 and adds to a long line of ex-Grangefield students who are or have been teachers at the College.

THOMAS BLACKWOOD CAMPBELL (1918? – 1924) emigrated to Australia in the early 1920's where he worked on dairy farms for most of his life. Tom is now retired and living at Shell Harbour, New South Wales.

CHERITH JOCITA CANNON (1979 – 1981) gives her new address, has brought subs up to date and has taken our little hint of last year to heart by giving us some news. Cherith has been working at Nat. West Bank in Stockton for six years but has recently moved to Ravensworth in North Yorkshire. The reason for the move is that Cherith has started working at Richmond's branch of the bank. (Promotion?) Her brother **CHRIS CANNON (1974 – 1976)** has moved back to the Stockton area and has been working for two years as the Branch Manager of the Darlington Building Society in the High Street. Later news from Cherith gave us her new (new) address.

NORMAN CARR (1939 –1944) writes from his home in Cheshire to tell us of a visit to Sandringham Estate earlier in the year! Not quite what you might imagine but close! Norman was visiting **R.S. (SAXON) FRENCH (1940 – 1945)**, (who has become a member of the Association since the visit – well done Norman!!) and **C.I. DAVISON (Cid) (1941 – 1946)**. Both friends, after careers in the Royal Navy, are now serving Her Majesty on the Sandringham Estate. Sax is Public Enterprises Manager (and Deputy to the Queen's Land Agent) and Cid is Chief Accountant

DAVID CLARKE (1978 – 1980) is working for Rolls Royce in Bristol and married **KIRSTY MOODY (1979 – 1981)** in May 1988. Kirsty travels from Bristol to Wales each day where she is a physiotherapist.

EDWARD CROOT (1953 –1960), we read, has been honoured for his services to television by being made a Fellow of the Royal Television Society. Eddie is a television film editor for BBC's Look North news magazine and is currently living in Cawood (nr. Selby) in N. Yorkshire. He has been in television since 1965, when he answered an advertisement to become trainee assistant film editor, moving north, to Leeds, when the BBC established a regional base there in 1968. Eddie is a secretary of Selby Abbey Parochial Church Council and sings in the Abbey choir. Some years ago he made a film of the 1975 Railway '150' Celebrations, assisted by Tom Sowler who appeared in the film. At a recent Whitehall reception to mark the Diamond Jubilee of the Royal Television Society Eddie and his wife Jaqui were introduced to the Queen. Eddie said, "I knew the Queen was at the reception but I didn't expect to be chosen to meet her. She asked me a question about film editing, she must have been very well briefed."

ANDREA DACK (1980 – 1982) in addition to confirming address and adding to subs tells us that she is still working at North Tees Hospital. Andrea gained promotion to Senior II Physiotherapist in September 1987. She also gives us news of her brother **PAUL DACK (?)** who is now living in Easingwold and is working for Rowntree's Trust. Paul and his wife

GILL (nee ANDREWS (?)) were expecting their second child at the time we received the news; we trust the event was successful for all concerned and offer congratulations.

PETER (Podge) DAVIES (1960 – 1966) has ensured his subs remain 'in the black' until the turn of the century! Look forward to seeing you at the Dinner this year Peter, I'll bring the letter you wrote and show the lads the notepaper you use (Editor)!

HELEN DOBING-BLACKETT (1979 – 1981) is working in retail management in central London.

J.J. (Jimmy) DURRANT (1949 – 1980: Staff) was able to join us at the Dinner this year and in addition to confirming his address gave us a generous donation.

JOHN FRANKS (1947 – 1952) tells us of his new address, still within Newark. John is still working, partly in an administrative capacity and partly in a peripatetic capacity, for a grouping of Congregational Churches in England and Wales which he began in 1979. John's wife, Valerie, was at Grangefield from 1948–1953 but they never knew each other in those days. One of his daughters is now married and living in Leeds and the other is working in London. John and his wife still travel up to Stockton to visit families and share in occasions such as weddings but now have hardly any contact with former school colleagues. John remembers that Brian Brand and Jack Milner moved up from Mill Lane Boys School to Nelson Terrace. Although John has seen Brian in recent years he has not met Jack for many years now. John has especially fond memories of his days on the school rugby field and remembers that most of the U13 team he was involved with progressed together through to the 1st XV. John played full back, Brian was scrum half, Graeme Davison played centre, Don Moses stand off and Eddie Pinder was the other centre. He is pleased to add that he can remember the whole team, if needed, as well as the words to 'Vivat Schola Stocktonensis' – he looks forward to each issue of our Year Book.

As mentioned above **R. SAXON FRENCH (1940 – 1945)** joined the Association and also took delivery of a tie and stickpin.

DAVE GATHERGOOD (1957 – 1964) confirmed his address and forwarded a nice donation. His comment at the foot of the magazine insert has prompted us to include the mailing address of the Association on that sheet this year.

CLAIRE GAVAGHAN (1984 – 1986) is currently studying for a B.Sc. (Hons) degree in Sports Science at Crewe and Alsager College of Higher Education. The Sixth Form College is well represented in the student body; **TOM RIPLEY (1983 – 1985)** and **OWEN DIXON (1985 – 1987)** were both on the same course as Claire when she wrote to us. By now Tom will have graduated and Owen will be in his second year of study. Claire also tells us that her sister-in-law **SUSAN GAVAGHAN (nee HINDMARSH) (1980 – 1982)** is a qualified physiotherapist but is currently concentrating her efforts on her two young children.

J.S. GILL (1915 – 1918) one of our oldest members began his time at the Sec' in the 3rd form (3B). Inspired, in the fifth form, by a lesson of engineering drawing given by a visitor from a local firm Stanley tried unsuccessfully to get a job as a draughtsman at Blairs, Head Wrightson & Ropners. His first job was as an apprentice electrical fitter at the Malleable Steelworks but eventually joined the Post Office Telephone Engineers in 1924. Stan retired as the Area Efficiency Manager in 1966 after 41 years service, without ever having missed a day through sickness. Married in 1925 to a talented pianist Stan had two sons both of whom inherited his wife's musical skills. His elder son (Stanley) was in the Royal Corps of Signals for six years which included a spell at Kneller Hall, the Army College of Music. Following his army career he became Head of Strings for Liverpool Education Authority; sadly he passed away in 1985. Alan, the younger son, started as an accountant in

Darlington (working under the guidance of Harold Dodsworth) finally becoming Head Accountant for the Oil Consortium of Persia. Stanley (senior) and his wife celebrated their Golden Wedding in 1975. Sadly, she died in 1980. Stan recalls the 1980 Dinner when Horace King (a contemporary of his) was the guest and the toast the six 'old timers' made to the School. In 1959 Stanley made a trip by plane to Colorado in the States with his wife, who saw her brother for the first time in 52 years; the return journey was made on the Queen Elizabeth (the first!). A return trip to the States with son Alan in 1969 on the 'New York' saw them travelling 18,000 miles visiting the White House, Denver, San Francisco, Mexico, Niagara Falls and the Grand Canyon. They returned to the U.K. on the Q.E. 2 Alan kept a diary of the journey which ran to a (typed) 36 pages! Stanley's other globetrotting expeditions have included tours of Italy and Mediterranean cruises. All-in-all he says his days have been happy as well as long and despite his years his memory seems as sharp as ever. (We wish you many more such days Stanley - Editor).

MARTIN GILLESPIE (1979 -1981) dutifully informed us of his new address in Bramingham, Luton and he seems as active as ever, teaching academic evening classes at F.E. College as well as looking after a mint of money in a London West End bank!

JACK GLATTBACH (1953 - 1960) wrote to us in August have just put down the 'read-at-one-sitting' 1985/86 Year Book. The book arrived in his apartment overlooking beautiful, traffic-jammed, asphyxiated Bangkok in the hands of **COLIN SINCLAIR (1952 - 1959)**, who is now digging for gold in Australia (sufficiently well to be taking holidays in Bangkok!). Colin had seen the note from Mac Ozelton wondering where Jack, Dave Davies, Arthur Chapman and others were. Jack's story is that after Manchester University, two years on the Evening Gazette and five on T'Northern Echo, he zoomed off to Malaysia to train journalists and play foreign correspondent. He then did 'the same' in the Philippines before spending a couple of years on home soil in Heighington (beyond Darlington) to freelance and write a book. The freelancing led to the United Nations in New York and eventually to being the 'regional information guy' for UNICEF, the UN Children's Fund in Bangkok where they've been for three years now. The 'they' includes four little Glattbachs, two born in Malaysia, two in the US and, as Mike Turner keeps pointing out, only one wife! The last contact Jack had with the GGS 'mob' was about five or six years ago at one of Fred Jackson's great evenings at the Three Tuns in Durham. Jack also included a generous donation and we hope he will renew many contacts from the address lists included in this year's book.

IAN GRANT (1946 - 1951) was pleased indeed to receive a letter from Bob Ward together with a 1986/87 Year Book. Ian had not received any material for many years and had presumed the Association had disappeared with all the changes in educational structures. Although he sent us a nice donation there was no news from Ian about himself (for the 'missing years') or any of the former students he may see from time to time.

HAZEL HALL (1979 -1981) writes to confirm her new address. Hazel was training to be a librarian last year. We are happy to report that she was successful in her postgraduate studies and has her Diploma in Librarianship and Information Studies. Hazel is currently Assistant Librarian at Birmingham Polytechnic Library. We are indebted to Hazel for information about ten (!) other former students contained within these pages. (well, she does have a Diploma for Information Studies! - Editor). It is often only by the good work of such individuals that much of the news within this section is put together. So, come on the rest of you, even if you are too shy to tell us about yourselves, tell us about friends who are former students! **JUDITH HALL (1980 -1982)** who is Hazel's sister, is completing her PhD in Pharmacology at Kings College, London and is hoping to finish everything by Christmas (1988/89). From October 1st 1988 she will be doing medical research for London University.

GRANVILLE D. HEWITT (1916 - '1922) confirmed his address and sent another generous donation for which we are again most grateful!

It was nice to receive a short letter from **ARTHUR BRADBURY HOY (1956 - 1963)** who we mentioned in last year's Year Book. Arthur contracted MS and is currently in a Cheshire Home at Matfen Hall, Matfen, Northumberland if any of his contemporaries would care to write to him. (If you wish you may write c/o 22, Eland Edge, Eland Hall, Ponteland, Newcastle - Editor).

WILF A. HUME (1924 - 1929) was pleased to see the " 'old lady' of Nelson Terrace" on the cover of this year's magazine and the photo brought back memories of real affection for the building and those who taught and learned there. Special mention of Froggy Eden and his ability to turn a stampede into an orderly, quiet troop from room to room. Although French was Wilf's 'best' subject he feels he must end with Latin: "Vivat Schola Stocktonensis!"

Rev. JONATHAN P. JENNINGS (1972 - 1979) writes via Martin (Gillespie) to tell us that he is now curate in Peterlee, a task he rates as 'fun but extremely hard work'. In late 1987 he expected to be involved heavily with the religious broadcasting output of Radio Tees (now called TFM). Many thanks for the subs Jonathan, hope the 'tour' you offered to Martin did not result in too many ale effects!

DR. CATHERINE JOHNSON (1970 - 1977) read Chemistry at Manchester University after leaving Sixth Form College and then went to work for British Gas at their London Research Station in Fulham. Whilst working there Catherine completed a Ph.D thesis as an external student of Loughborough University on 'Coal Gasification' and was awarded her doctorate in 1987. Also in 1987 she moved into the Environmental Studies Group, also based in Fulham, and is now studying air pollution. 1987 was a busy year for Catherine: she changed jobs, spent three weeks trekking in Nepal and got married all within the space of three months!

H.W. JONES (Staff: 1949 - 1951) keeps in touch regularly as usual but sadly adds no news to his (Chester) address confirmation and donation. Harold asked after Ron Wright who was a contemporary of his. Sadly we have to report that Ron died suddenly in 1975.

ALAN (Puddles) LAKE (?) gives us his new address, tops up his subs and hopes to be available for the 30th anniversary 'get-together' in October 1989.

RHIANNON LEYSHON (1984 - 1986), now studying medicine at Newcastle University, is hoping to spend three months at a hospital or mission of her choice during the next year. Previous students have travelled to all corners of the world -from Papua, New Guinea to Russia, Peru, Iceland etc.. Rhiannon feels that travel to a less well developed country will not only be extremely interesting but will also give her first hand experience of many diseases which do not normally occur in this country. Her final destination depends very much on the financial support she can muster.

JOHN A. LIVINGSTONE (1913? - 1919?) writes to tell us how much he looks forward to each new issue of our magazine (many thanks John! - Editor) and sends an exceptionally generous donation to cover deficits in funds including the C.W. King and Evan Baldwin Funds, "two gentlemen to whom I owe so much." John concludes by giving best wishes to all.

RAY LUMLEY (1955 - 1962) we hear is living in Coventry and working for G.E.C. in Kenilworth.

SUSAN MacNAB (nee ROW) (1968 - 1975) was married to Alan MacNab in April 1986 and now lives in Darlington. Since September 1986 Susan has been working in the County Treasurer's Department of Cleveland County Council.

FRED MASON (1917 - 23) in confirming his address and giving a donation asks if we have any details of **RON McIVOR (1919 - 1923)**. Unfortunately we don't have any records on Ron on our list but someone who reads this magazine may be able to help (an address if possible).

PENNY MATTHEWS (1979 - 1981) is working for a drug company in Scotland.

EILEEN MAWSON (1979 - 1982) is working for Ever Ready as a buyer in Newcastle.

JANE NEAL (nee Arran) (1979 - 1981) confirms her address and boosts her subs handsomely! Jane has now qualified as an Accounting Technician and is now a senior member of staff with Baines, Goldston & Jackson, Chartered Accountants in Stockton. Her husband Gareth is still at North Tees (Hospital?) as an administrator. Gareth's elder brothers, Colin and Haydn, who were both at the Grammar School (Grangefield or 'the other'? - Editor) live in Northampton and Sedgefield respectively and are both in the computing field. Jane's sister **CLAIRE (1977 - 1979)** lives in Eaglescliffe with her husband Nigel. She used to work as a solicitor for Merritt & Co. in Yarm but has just made a very good move to Tioxide to join their legal department, which, she seems to be enjoying very much.

CATRIONA PETTIGREW (?), after gaining a BA at Bristol in 1986 has completed a course in journalism at the Lancashire Polytechnic and has been appointed a trainee T.V. producer for the BBC at Manchester (we gather that this means success, if not stardom, is 'guaranteed'! - Editor).

JOANNE PICKARD (1979 - 1981) is working as a secretary for Morgan Stanley in London.

DAVID PILGRIM (1979 - 1981) also works for the Morgan Stanley, although they've only seen each other briefly - he spends a lot of his time in New York, it appears!

KATIE RENNIE (1982 - 1984) is doing a Ph.D in Physiology on the 'Mechanisms of Hearing' at Bristol University.

JOSIE SHAKESPEARE & ANDREW TRUBY (1979 - 1982) got married in March 1980 and now live in York.

PETRINA SMITH (1979 - 1981) changed jobs in August 1988 to work in a hospital in Nottingham for the next two years.

RAYMOND T. REED (1950 - 1957) writes to let us know how pleased he was to receive the 1987/88 Stocktonian magazine. The cover brought back memories of his first year in 1950 when Dr. Kinnes was Headmaster. Ray reckons that his year must have been the last cohort to enter that building as they soon moved to Grangefield. His parents still live in Stockton and father, **Tom**, is also an Old Stocktonian (1921 - 1926). Ray has been established some 10 years now in Basingstoke as a consultant orthodontist. Regular

contact is maintained with **NEIL AUFFLECK (1950 – 1957?)** who lives in Sedgfield, and **ROBIN BOWERS (1950 – 1957?)** who is Principal of the Dorset College of Agriculture in Dorchester. Ray would like to put his name down for a copy of Tom's History of the Association, if it is produced – the copy would join Tom's History of Stockton currently on his bookshelf. Finally, he wonders what has happened to other members of the school who attended during his time. So do we Ray! So what about it? Let's hear from you directly or indirectly!

TED SHIELDS (1927 – 1934) and his wife have recently returned to England from Australia, where they have lived for 15 years, in order to be closer to their family. Although they were sorry to leave Australia, where they had been very happy, they hope to be able to resume their former contacts in the Brighton & Hove area, where they lived before moving 'Down Under'.

Confirmation of his address by **D.P. TROTTER (1954 – 1962)** but no other news unfortunately.

KEN USHER (1956 – 1963) is working for A.A. in Basingstoke; no other news.

PAUL VITLES (1978 – 1980) tops up his subs nicely and tells us that he was promoted to Senior Research Executive at Market and Opinion Research International (MORI to you and I!) in July 1987.

PETER WEBSTER (1963 – 1970) 'bumps up' his subs by a significant amount, tells us of his new address (still Stockton) and informs us that he is now Head of Mathematics at English Martyrs School in Hartlepool. Peter has given up cricket in favour of golf because he's found out that its easier to score a century in the latter! Ayresome Park is also a popular haunt for Peter and he still can't believe how well they've done in the last two years. (For those people who didn't know, the Boro were promoted to Division One for the 1988/89 season, and longer we hope! – Editor).

Details of an address change within the Stockton area from **P.W. WEST (?)** but no other news.

AIDAN WHITFIELD (1976 – 1978) tops up subs and gives us his new address. Aidan has changed jobs since he last wrote to us. He is now working as a Process Engineer for Borden (UK) Ltd. near Southampton.

PENNY WILSON (1985 – 1987) confirms her address and enclosed a subs top up. After her two years at the Sixth Form (Penny was at the Grange from 1980 – 1985) she went to Leicester University to study medicine where she is now in her second year and, we understand, enjoying her course immensely.

TERRY WILSON (1962 – 1969) confirms his address and boosts his subs by a goodly sum! After leaving Grangefield Terry went to Sheffield University where he graduated with a 2.1 dual honours degree in Economics and Sociology. In 1972 he joined the Teesside Youth Employment Service. In 1974 Terry gained a Diploma in Vocational Guidance from Newcastle Polytechnic and was awarded the E.M. Wansell Memorial Prize by the Institute of Careers Officers for the outstanding student on the postgraduate course. From 1974 to 1980 he worked as a Careers Advisor for the Cleveland Careers Service. Promotion followed and from 1980 to 1986 Terry was Assistant Area Careers Officer in Stockton which involved liaison with Stockton Sixth Form College staff and Students. 1986 was also a 'good year', Terry was promoted Area Careers Officer in Hartlepool and he married Collette Dunne from Hull. During these years Terry was and still is (at the time we received the

correspondence anyway!) playing rugby for Stockton Rugby Football Club. This meant that he was able to maintain contacts with many Old Stocktonians. From 1979 to 1986 Terry organised the Rugby element of the Sports Extravaganza before the 'age ruling' of only playing 21 year olds forced him to pass over the reins to someone who was more in touch with recent students. Having also gained an R.F.U. coaching award Terry has been involved in coaching junior players for Stockton R.F.C. for ten years. We look forward to seeing him at Old Stocktonian gatherings this year with wife if possible!

WILLIAM LAWRENCE WILSON (1923 - 1928?) was encouraged by our pleas to write and even included an article for publication (See 'Then and Now'). (Ah, if only other readers had been so encouraged!! - Editor). Since leaving school he has thoroughly enjoyed a career as an apprentice, draughtsman, engineer, Chief Engineer, Deputy Secretary of State (civil servant genius!), Consultant and now, in a small way, a part-time unpaid voluntary careers adviser to a couple of schools near where he lives in Chorleywood, Hants. During the years his meetings with Old Stocktonians have been few - Charles O'Grady, Len Low, Archie McNee (at a party in Winnipeg in 1983!) and George (Monty) Harvey, when he was a Director of British Oxygen and with whom William worked happily in the construction of the Rocket Research Establishment back in 1960.

Now William and his wife travel a great deal, garden a lot, try to catch game fish, enjoy what seem to be innumerable grandchildren and like many 'retireds', paint - rather indifferently. William adds his list of honours as a testament to, he feels, the teaching he was given at the Secondary School and not as any form of self applause. They include: C.B., O.B.E., B.Sc., C.ENG., F.I.MECH.E., Hon. F.C.I.B.S., F.R.S.A. In addition he was a Whitworth Prize man and a Fellow of both the Institutions of Civil and Electrical Engineers. The base for all such advancement was, he reiterates, the teaching he received and he would pay particular praise to Messrs. Baldwin and King and another teacher who most may have forgotten - Harry Salmon of the old Holy Trinity Higher Grade School from which William emerged to join the S.S.S. As a sort of footnote he adds that he probably chose the S.S.S. rather than the S.G.S., to which he also won a scholarship, because it had a more attractive school cap!!!

ANNE WOOD (now SIMPSON) (1965 - 72) has 'retired' temporarily from teaching to take up a much more demanding role, that of mother. Anne gave birth to twins in September and her and **MALCOLM (1964 - 1969)** are currently undergoing the rigours of sleepless nights followed by noisy days! We offer them our congratulations on the happy event and earplugs for the noisy days!!!

CREDITS

Many thanks to all the College Students and Staff for their contributions and especially to John Ingham for collecting articles and compiling 'Recent Degree Successes'.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY IN 1989

6th February	Annual General Meeting (See Page 14)
18th March	63rd Annual Dinner (See Pages 16/17)
12th April	Sports Extravaganza (See Page 19)
End of October	Copy deadline for 1989/1990 issue.

CHECK THE REST -
THEN INVEST IN THE BEST



DARLINGTON

BUILDING SOCIETY

Your Kind of People

Contact: Manager CHRIS CANNON

21 HIGH STREET, STOCKTON. Tel: 672612

HEAD OFFICE: TUBWELL ROW, DARLINGTON. Tel: 487171

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES THROUGHOUT THE AREA

STUART DICK PRINTING CO.

GRANGEFIELD 1959 - 1964

COMMERCIAL PRINTERS

DESIGN - PHOTOTYPESETTING - ARTWORK - LITHO

*Business Forms - Publicity - Stationery
For Industry & Commerce*

**SPECIAL RATES
TO OLD STOCKTONIANS**

TELEPHONE (0642) 750119

61A LORD AVENUE, TEESIDE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE
THORNABY, CLEVELAND TS17 9JX.





Chemicals & Polymers

WORLDWIDE FROM TEESSIDE

ICI and Teesside have shared in a successful partnership for over 60 years. Now, a challenging new era is unfolding for ICI's business operations on Teesside following the recent launch of ICI Chemicals and Polymers. This powerful new business force will enable us to develop an even stronger future on Teesside by continuing to be:

International - Our Teesside operations produce a staggering £2½ billion worth of product each year, half of which is exported throughout the world.

Competitive - Since 1980 we've invested around £500 million, keeping our manufacturing plants on Teesside to world class standard, and we're planning to spend further this year on the very latest technology. The £44 million conversion to coal-firing of two boilers on our Wilton Power Station will further improve our competitive position.

Innovative - Our rapidly-expanding materials centre at Wilton near Middlesbrough is a major international ICI research and technology base.



WORLD CLASS

