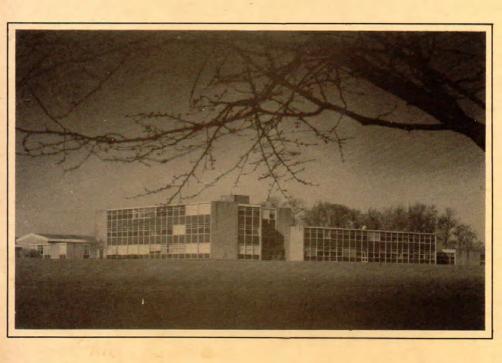
# The New Stocktonian



1989 - 1990

## RULES OF THE OLD STOCKTONIANS' ASSOCIATION

(Revised February 1989)

- 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.
- 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 to the Former Pupils of the Grangefield School and of the
  former Sheraton Grange School and the Grange 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, shall 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, seven shall form a quorum.
- Members will be encouraged to form sections for specific activities, but must first obtain the approval of the Committee of Management.
- The Annual Subscription shall be paid on the January 1st, The amount to be fixed annually by the Committee of Management and announced in the Year Book.
- 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.
- 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.

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(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: and also to the Former Pupils of the Grangefield School and of the former Sheraton - Grange and the Grange 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:

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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

During my last term as President some thirty years ago no Old Stocktonian had any doubt as to what was meant by "our school" i.e. Grangefield Grammar (previously Stockton Secondary or Higher Grade) School. The intake of students was at 11 years of age, and there were two leaving points, one at 16 years, and the other at 18 years. Those wishing to do so could join this Association when they left school. That state of affairs ended in 1974. We now have two completely different schools under separate administrations both buildings being built on the same medieval township field, that of Stockton Grange. Under our rules, modified at the last A.G.M., students from either can join this Association.

Old Stocktonians now resident in other parts of the country will have become accustomed to different patterns of education, so that in Stockton may appear odd. My son's children progress from 9 years of age to 18 in two stages, whereas my daughter's children have three stages for the same age range - all so very confusing for this poor old Grandad.

How I long for the uniformity of the old days with the "common enemy" attending that "other place" in Norton Road. Long absent friends may not know that Stockton Grammar School was rebuilt at Fairfield, and after a later merger became Ian Ramsey School (11-16 years). Strong rumour now has it that an attempt is to be made to establish (should that be re-establish?) an Old Students' Association there. In the intensely competitive situation that appertains in education today Grangefield School may well counter this by setting up its own rival organisation at 16+. Time alone will tell, but Old Stocktonians may rest assured that this Presidential commentary will keep you up to date with developments here at home.

My thanks, and yours, are due to all officers and committee members for devoted service during 1988/89 and to the Sixth Form College for hospitality received.

TOM SOWLER

#### COLLEGE NEWS

I am very pleased, once again, to have this opportunity to record some of the achievements of the "New Stocktonians" at what is now the largest Sixth Form College in Cleveland.

I have written before that the popularity of the College is a measure of its reputation and success in meeting the ambitions and needs of young people in the local community and I am happy to record that in all respects 1989 has been a most successful year.

On the academic front, the recent academic year has produced a vintage crop of examination results. At A level 259 students gained 650 passes - the largest number since the opening of the college - and 379 of these were at the much sought after A, B and C grades. The achievements of students taking GCSE subjects has also been outstanding and some 40 students have decided to return to the College in order to embark on a further two year course of A level study. You will wish to join with me in congratulating all students who left the college last summer and in wishing them every success in their future careers whether at University and Polytechnic or in employment, further education and training,

The success of the college, however, is not only measured by the academic achievement, and our students continue to make their mark in games and sports and over a very extensive range of extra curricular activities. These achievements, which once again give a flavour of the energy and commitment of the student body, are recorded elsewhere in the magazine, but I would especially wish to draw your attention to our success at Hockey, Netball and Rugby, the work of the conservation group - both at the Castle Eden Walkway and in the new and exciting project to enrich the immediate environment of the college grounds, and also to congratulate the whole student body for their energy in raising some £2.000 for local and national charities.

The college continues to explore every opportunity to work with and contribute to the local community. We have a very popular programme of Community Action, through which students regularly contribute a wide variety of ground work and we are working closely with local industry on a number of important curricular projects. Industry has been most generous in providing financial support for curricular developments in electronics, control technology, computer aided design and business studies and retailing.

As the college continues to flourish, we have reluctantly had to bid farewell to a number of the teaching staff. This year we have said goodbye to Bob and Marjory Nuttall both founder members of the college in whose care the Geography Department has made such an important contribution to the success of so many students. Peter Facer, our Head of History, and Maureen Woods, our Head of German have also left the College this summer after long periods of service. I am sure that you will join with me in expressing appreciation for their contribution to the work of the college and in wishing them every happiness for the future.

As the decade draws to a close, the college reflects with pride on its achievements and looks forward to the challenge of the future - but 'Stocktonians old and new' can be assured that our objectives will remain the same - to provide excellence and opportunity in an innovative, enterprising and caring environment in which every individual counts. HOWARD R. CLARKE

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#### COLLEGE ACTIVITIES

The activities refer to the period September 1988 to July 1989.

#### The Charities committee

Once again a successful and enjoyable year for all involved. One half (£1150) of the proceeds raised on the College Sponsor Day (October 19th 1988) was donated to Oxfam for Flood Relief in Bangladesh. Four members of staff competed in "The Cleveland Challenge", a two day activity in the North Yorks Moors organised by the North Tees I.C.I. Training School. The staff team came joint first and raised £250. in sponsor money for the John Butterwick and Teesside hospice. During the second half of the Autumn Term various activities including a Christmas card sale and Carol Singing raised £155 for the "Save The Children Fund", £108 for the College's Sponsored Children and £550. was sent to "World Relief" for the building of wells in Burkino Faso.

The College caught the spirit of 'Red Nose Day' and a series of events - including a sponsored 'Beard Shave' and a 'Blind Date Competition' raised a commendable £1068 for charity. The day was organised by Mrs. S. Cornish and Mr. V. Watton.

# **Community Service**

Ms. L. Leary has taken over responsibility for these activities for the academic year 1988-89 and organised the following placements for students during the Autumn Term,

Infant/Junior Schools - 29, Old People's Homes - 5, Old People's Houses - 2, North Tees Hospital - 4, Dovecot Arts Centre - 1, Hospital Staff Nursery - 1.

These placements form part of the Wednesday afternoon community service programme, 51 students were involved in the programme during the Easter Term.

# Conservation Group

The group has continued its work along the Castle Eden Walkway this year and have completed their pond building. Other activities have included, clearing a large depression and taking part in hedge building. The college received a grant of £200 from the Shell 'Better Britain' Campaign to purchase tools for the work.

#### Drama

In February an evening of Music, Singing and Drama, entitled "Is This Love Then?" was open to students parents and friends of the College.

# Sporting Activities

Badminton: In April-May 1989 a very successful competition was held

at the College with over 120 students entries in the various

events.

Cricket: The College fielded a 1st XI and an U-17 team this year.

Golf: The Durham/Cleveland Schools Golf Championship was held at Beamish Park Golf Club on 4th May 1989. There were six entrants from the College - A. Groake, S. Graham,

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D. Lupton, J. Nicholson, P. Richardson and R. Ruddock. David Lupton was joint leader with a round of 77 and was selected to play for the County Team against Northumberland in July. Richard Ruddock with a round of 80 won first prize in the 'Higher Handicap' competition.

Hockey:

At the County stage of the "Nationwide Anglia Schools U-18 Youth Cup" the College Boys team beat Sunderland Hockey Club U-18's 3-2 in the semi-final and played Yarm School in the final. In April 1989 the team participated in the County U-19 Indoor Tournament at Newton Aycliffe, losing in the final after penalties.

The Girls' team won both the County Final and the North East of England play-offs of the Barclays Bank National Schools' Hockey Championships to secure a place at the North of England Finals at Blackpool. The finals were held in January 1989 and the College Team, much depleted through injury, finished a creditable second to Wakefield High School for Girls.

Nine members of the girls' team represented the District 1st XI, 7 represented the County and two were selected for North of England Trials.

A mixed hockey team was formed for the first time this year.

Netball:

The Netball squad was enlarged this year and the College was able to field an 'A' and a 'B' team. Melissa Thirkell, Denise Ainsley, Alex Bage, Nichola Mulligan, Claire Battye, Rachel West, Deborah Coleman and Tracey McAuliffe were successful at District trials. The 1st team qualified for the regional round of the National Schoolgirls' U-19 Tournament and finished 4th out of 9 teams. They also qualified for the regional round of the Barclays Bank U-18 Tournament held in February 1989. Six members of the College were selected for the County U-18 Team.

Orienteering:

The College group participated in an activity at Harrogate in December.

Richard Vasey won the 'Cleveland O-Cross' organised at Guisborough and Andrew Smith and Richard Vasey were joint winners of the North East Championship in their age group at Eston.

Rugby:

Initially results were mixed. After losing narrowly to Morpeth 18-15 and fighting an honourable draw with Dame Allan's 16-16 the College lost the next two games 24-10 to Hartlepool and 26-6 to Ripon G.S. The matches following the October halfterm were a complete revelation however and the team won 8, drew 2 and only lost 1 of the 11 games played. The only defeat was to Barnard Castle by 18-7. Justin Robinson, Scott Colton and Martin Howe were 'regulars' in the Cleveland County side and Martin Howe was selected to play for Durham County. With interest in College Rugby improving the College was able to turn out two sides to play Dame Allan's School in Newcastle in February.

Soccer:

Overall a very disappointing season this year. The results for the 1st XI were as follows: Played 14, Won 5, Drew O. They did however have the satisfaction of defeating Marton College (who won the U-19 League and County Cup) early in the season in the first round of the English Schools F.A. Trophy. The second round was a win 2-1 against St. Mary's but the team lost 2-1 to Acklam in 3rd round. In the League Cup Acklam 'B' were defeated 3-2 in round 1 but the team lost 4-0 to Acklam 'A' in the next round. As most of the team was composed of 1st year students there should be plenty of experience for 1989-90 season. Depth of interest was shown by the fact that the College was able to enter a 3rd XI in the Cleveland Colleges League for the first time. Despite the problems Richard Brown and Craig Matthews were selected to represent Cleveland County at U-18 level.

Tennis:

Teams were fielded by both boys and girls.

#### Art

Between October 1988 and March 1989 27 students were involved in "Life Drawing Classes" in 'twilight sessions' at Teesside College of Art. In November 60 students visited the David Hockney Retrospective Exhibition at the Tate Gallery and the Henry Moore and Toulouse Lautrec Exhibition at the Royal Academy. Former student, Richard Ward - Freelance Graphic Designer now working in London, gave an illustrated talk on "Graphic Design" to A-level and GCSE students in December. In March all A-level and GCSE students visited the "John Carter Exhibition of Drawing, Painting and Prints" at the Billingham Art Gallery. Throughout the period April-July A-level students were involved in the MESU Project. The College's contribution was on the theme of fabric design - "From Computer to Silkscreen". A series of one day Art Workshops for fourth year pupils from all the partner schools in Stockton was held in June/July. Twenty students and two staff attended the Residential Art Summer School at Fyling Hall, Whitby in July. Mrs. Gill acted as course director for the 100+ students from Cleveland who attended the School. Also in July 10 first year A level students worked with pupils from Whitehouse Primary School to produce posters for the NSPCC "Flower Festival".

# Astronomy/Satellite Group

The satellite group under the supervision of Mr. McCue and Dr. Dodds continued to meet throughout the year and extended their work on the analysis of reception from orbiting earth satellites. During August and September 1988 Tony Cains made a notable contribution to the development of the College's satellite receiving station. He enabled the transmitted pictures to be stored on, and displayed by, the Archimedes Computer which has much greater resolution than the BBC machine used previously. He also programmed the Archimedes to display a rapid sequence of pictures revealing atmospheric phenomena not previously apparent. Mr. Eric Shaw and Dr. David Dodds experimented successfully with the Artisan Software Drawing/Painting package on the Archimedes and produced much better hard-copy of the transmitted pictures than was possible previously. Student Richard Vasey made a particular study of 'Hurricane Gilbert' and he detected and tracked the following hurricane two days before it was announced nationally through the media. In 1989 the College purchased ASTRID - an

Automatic Satellite Telemetry Receiver and Information Decoder - as an extension to the satellite station for use in Physics. This will be used to receive physics experiments performed in orbit.

Biology

A busy year for the department involved them in many activities. In the Autumn Term there were visits to Hartlepool Nuclear Power Station Visitors' Centre and to the Castle Eden Walkway by the A-level Social Biologists whilst the year 2 Biologists undertook Marine Biology Fieldwork at Saltwick Bay and at Hartlepool Headland.

Richard Peacock (a 1st Year A-level student) won the "Biological Sciences Revision Magazine" National Crossword Competition. The prize included £70 for the Biology Department's funds. Twenty two students attended Newcastle University's Biological Sciences Open Day in March 1989. In June and July the 1st year Social Biologists visited the Ecology Park at Billingham, the Intensive Pig Unit at Newby, the Castle Eden Walkway Conservation Project and Durham Agricultural College.

#### Careers

A two day course "Managing the Future" was organised in November by the Industrial Society. The course acted as a preparation for employment for one year GCSE students. Also in November 1988 the College hosted a Careers Convention covering the Professions and Higher Education for pupils at Stockton Schools and Colleges. Throughout the term a programme of 'Thursday lunchtime talks' given by visiting speakers was maintained. In March five students attended the I.C.I. Sixth Form Science Symposium and the Department arranged a Symposium on Opportunities for Industrial Sponsorship for students reading for degrees in Science and Technology.

During the Summer Term 1st year A-level students were involved in visits to: Universities of Hull, Leeds, York, Oxford and Cambridge, LSE, Imperial College; London Medical Schools, Leeds Polytechnic and the Colleges of Ripon & York St. John and Bishop Grosseteste - Lincoln. In June Mr. Stephen Lamley, Deputy Registrar at the University of Lancaster, gave a talk to students on "University Entry" and talked to parents on the same theme in a July meeting. From April to July workshadowing was arranged for 1st year A-level students with a variety of local firms and professions including - Medicine, the Law, Journalism, Personnel and General Management. All first year A level students attended the Conference on Higher Education at Teesside Polytechnic.

# Chemistry

Two students accompanied by Mr. Ingram of Ian Ramsey School took part in the North East Schools and Industry Project week at Durham University, working on an assignment provided by ICI.

#### Classics

In May 1989 20 students attended a Workshop on Greek Tragedy at the Acklam School base.

# Computing

Workshadowing was arranged for two students at Middlesbrough General Hospital in January. Industrial Project visits were arranged to: British Steel - to see their inter centre video application packages and Flymo - Robotics Systems. In the Spring Term lectures on 'Use of Computers in Banking' and 'IT in Industry' were

organised, two students attended the "Women into Technology" Conference at Teesside Poly and all 2nd year A-level students attended the annual ICI lecture on computing. In June eight first year A-level students participated in Electronics and Robotics Workshops at Stockton & Billingham Technical College. Two students and Mr. Webb took part in the North East Schools and Industry Project week at Durham University in July working on a project provided by Hydro Polymers Ltd. (Newton Aycliffe). A level and AS level students took part in a training session at ICI Chemicals and Polymers on STRATOS (Electronic Mail, Diary and Conference facilities) on 14th July.

#### C.P.V.E.

Three students undertook work experience on the Staysil Schooner "The Helga Maria", sailing from Whitby to Hull for the Humberside Education Authority Exhibition

#### **Economics**

A group of students under the direction of Mr. Meggs have formed a "minicompany" in the Young Enterprise Scheme. With consultancy, advice and guidance from British Tioxide the company operated as a 'twilight session' throughout the academic year selling die-stamped pens. The 12 students involved attended a presentation evening at the Billingham Arms Hotel in April. A series of eight workshops/seminars on 'Understanding Industry' was held during the Autumn Term and A-level students attended the Sixth Form Economics Conference at Marton College in December. On 2nd July 1st year A level students joined with students from Westcliff High School for Boys, who were on an industrial tour of the area, in a visit to ICI Wilton. Two staff and 12 students took part in an "Industrial Tour of Teesside" in late July which was organised in conjunction with Teesside Industrial Mission.

# English

Theatre visits were very prominent in the Department's activites this year and the

following productions were seen:

"Beggar's Opera" - 1st year A-level students; "Macbeth" - 2nd year A-level students in Manchester; "A Midsummer Night's Dream" - Dovecot Theatre; 'Hamlet" - 1st year A-level students at Georgian Theatre, Richmond; "Richard II" - All A-level students at Theatre Royal, Newcastle; "Death of a Salesman" - Theatre Royal, York.

In September 1988 all 2nd year A-level students attended a "Chaucer Workshop" at the College given by Mrs. Heather O'Donoghue - Fellow of Sommerville College, Oxford. During the Autumn Term GCSE students visited Tyne Tees and BBC North East TV studios, The Evening Gazette and Hartlepool Nuclear Power Station. A group of 5th year pupils from the Norton School spent an afternoon in the English Department and participated, with College students, in a short story project. Second year A-level students attended a course on Richard II at Leeds University in March; three 1st year students visited the Border Players, Yarm to study the production of a play; 1st year students took part in a Workshop on Dramatic Approaches to Hamlet at the Acklam School Base, a conference on 'Early 20th Century Literature' at Leeds University Adult Education Centre, and 8 students attended a Shakespeare Workshop at Warwick University in July.

# Geography/Geology

Geography Fieldwork was completed by 39 2nd year A-level students at the 'Loch Ranza' Centre, Arran during September. Work included: landscape evaluation, hydrology, coastal processes, glaciation studies and geomorphology & sediment studies. In April GCSE Geography students undertook a study day aboard the Staysil Schooner "The Helga Maria" from Hartlepool to Teesmouth and up the River Tees to Newport Bridge.

Geology fieldwork included: 4 days in Teesdale, Lake District, Vale of Eden and Durham/Northumberland coast; Ribblesdale and Ingleton all by 2nd year A-level students; Teesdale, Northumberland Coast and the Vale of Eden (GCSE). In addition 2nd year students visited the Geological Museum, London in May 1989.

### History

Second year A-level students attended the History Association's Sixth Form Conference at Durham University in September. The College played host to a Sixth Form Conference for A-level students on "The Use of Source Material".

#### Home Economics

In September A level students visited the Broken Scar Water Treatment Works at Darlington. A "Health and Healthy Eating" evening at the Grangefield School was attended by 1st year A-level students. The Fashion Department Open Day at Newcastle Poly was visited in June.

#### Media Studies

In January a group of first year students visited the Granada TV Studios in Manchester.

# Modern Languages

All A-level French students attended showings of "Manon des Source" (Sept) and "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme" (Nov). An intensive "French Day" for second year A-level students was attended in March and 17 first year students, accompanied by Mrs. A. Hufton and Mr. L. Robinson, visited the Lycee Auguste Renoir during the period 14-22 March 1989. A return visit was made by the French students during 3-11 April. A-level students attended a Symposium at Teesside Polytechnic on aspects of life in the German Federal Republic. An Intensive Language course was held for A-level students at Teesside Polytechnic from 11th to 13th July.

#### Music

Students attended various concerts including Shostakovich String Quartet Cycle, Emma Kirby and Shoenburg String Quartet. The Stockton and Billingham A-level Consortium College Jazz Band performed a programme of Music and Carols at the three Colleges in December 1988. Throughout the year students performed in: the Cleveland Chamber Orchestra, Cleveland Philharmonic, Cleveland Youth Orchestra, Billingham Strings and Northern Junior Philharmonic Orchestra. David Fletcher visited Salzberg in July with the Cleveland Youth Orchestra.

### Physics (see also Astronomy/Satellite Group)

In November GCSE and 2nd year A-level students visited Hartlepool Power Station. Mr. Vasey and 4 students undertook an industrial project on "Some properties of Polythene" for Tioxide Central Laboratories. Two students and Ms. Smout participated in North East Schools and Industry Project week at Durham University.

#### Religious Studies

80 students attended a "Sixth Form Study Day" at Durham University in March.

# Sociology & Politics

Eight students attended a conference on 'Aspects of Contemporary History' at Durham University in March.

#### SWINGING

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- His head digs downwards into his shoulders, to take the clothes cutting wind away, the trees black bare arms, concede to let pieces of sun splinter through, with hands sinking deep into pockets, he tumbles down the path.
- The playground waits; childless
  the damp paint peeled steel senses
  the gentle subdued warmth of the hand
  words of obscenity slip down the curve
  of a slide to land
  At the bottom
  A puddle; piss from drunken boys
  they fire for the top
  to watch it trickle down.
  He sits on a swing.
- 3. Roundabout the houses huddle in; seven children in one bed, hooking his arms around the chains he leans forward, tucking his legs in, then flinging his head backwards he stretches them out; feet together, pulling on the chains swelling, harvesting speed "push me! push me! push me!". when did he first swing the swing? high above roofs and trees, in line with the glass embedded tarmac floor.

 not flying nor falling; weightless caught in glass on the mantlepiece, swinging, diving down slowly slowing, reaping the tiring wave, barely above the ground, upon which he scurrys.

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5. Children play on the grazed knee school yard, beside the huts; fist drawn pictures, boys lie on the grey foot warm, faded paint hopscotch floor, marbles stumble down a drain, the dizzy clamourous cacophony; high screams, shouted names, builds under; the chant of nursery rhymes to hand clapping, with the stamp of scuffling skipping feet, then photograph frozen still; stunted shopfloor dummies by the teachers whistle they gather them in ranks and lead them to their scuffy books with words written on the back page. Black bored they gaze at hospital green walls

III

they catch their eyes; see through lines,

that boy with a brown mop of hair; Autumn leaf eyes,
one elbow rested on a warm radiator.
 A bare cheek against the fingers of a window pane; glass cold,
staring vacantly at his desk; wooden sea waves and gentle golden creases,
catching snatches of the sun; bleached white.

they swing high; crossing over by a figure of eight; eyes meet,

7. he is that man walking by the school. dawdling by the rusty fence; poisoned by wind, rain and air, along the dirt path; a thousand feet, nothing holding him there; nothing open fields; daisies heads spilt across the green, his eyes dark blue; flecks of grey floating wreckage, that boy wordless; milk in a stainless steel bucket.

They drop their height; put on weight, and make their way back to the place they never left.

IV

8. Wearing down the soles of his shoes, for an unclear fragment; a waterproof wintercoat, that will not fit anymore, a stone in the epicentre of a widening circle; sinking to the bottom, it cannot be found for it is not there, he crosses the road, still gently swaying; stupid, in the hands of a ship moving sigh.

# **DEGREE RESULTS 1989**

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Julie Belton	B.A.	Geography	Lancaster University
lan Burns	B.Sc.	Physics	Manchester University
Adrian Cleasby	M.A.	French	St. Andrews University
Adrian Cooke	B.A.	Economics	Thames Polytechnic
Paul Court	B.Sc.	Sociology	Kingston Polytechnic
Angela Fisher	B.A.	English	Nth. London Polytechnic
Claire Gallagher	B.A.	Religious Studies	Lancaster University
Janet Gardiner	M.A.	French	St. Andrews University
Michael Gillen	B.A.	Urban Studies	Sheffield University
Philip Haslam	M.B., B.S	. Medicine	Newcastle University
Simon Heap	B.Sc.	Computational Maths.	Sheffield University
James Higgenbotha	m B.A.	Film & Literature	Warwick University
Glen Johnstone	B.A.	French	Royal Holloway College
Barry Kruger	B.A.	English	Lancaster University
Jeremy Lovett	B.A.	Archaeology	York University
Michael Mawson	B.Sc.	Geology	Durham University
David McClean	B.Sc.	French	St. Andrews University
Alison McNall	B.A.	Geography	Newcastle Polytechnic
Colin McNeill	B.A.	History	Nth. London Polytechnic
Timothy Plant	B. Eng.	Electronic/Electrical Eng.	Sheffield University
Tracy Porter	B.A.	Natural Science	Cambridge Hairmait
Katherine Pritchard		Anatomy/Cell Biology	Cambridge University
Colin Purchase	B.Sc.	Mathematics	Sheffield University
Jill Rawlinson	B.A.	Religious Stds/History	Sheffield University
Shubhenkar Raj	B.Sc.	Chemistry	St. David's University Col.
Tom Riley	B.Sc.	Maths/Psychology	Manchester University
Gillian Sayer	B.Sc.	Geology	University Coll.North Wales
Anthony Smith	B.Sc.	Applied Physics/Floaters:	Royal Holloway College
Michael Thurlow	B.Sc.	Applied Physics/Electronic Physics	s Durnam University
Philip Towell	B. Eng.		Manchester University
Angela Walker	B.A.	Civil/Structural Eng.	Sheffield University
Caryn Walker	H.N.D.	Economics/Law	Cardiff Business School
Jane Wilkinson		Business/Finance	Lancashire Polytechnic
	B.A.	Geography	Lancaster University
Graham Wrigglesworth B.A.		Religious Studies	Newcastle University

# GRANGEFIELD RE - OPENING A PERSONAL VIEW

As a recently arrived Deputy Head at Grangefield School I did not know of the tradition or history inherent in the name 'The Grange'. After being involved in the re-opening celebrations I am thrilled to be associated with such a fine school.

Yet what a transformation from that January day when the staff returned after the Christmas vacation to find the building unfinished from the refurbishment. Worse than that, the school was filled with tea chests, furniture, books and everything from the Ketton Road site. We could not get into some parts of the building to start unpacking and this, together with basic safety work that needed to be done, meant that pupils could not be admitted for a further few days. They enjoyed a long holiday.

Finally the school was ready and normality returned. The hard work of the Headteacher and his staff, the good humour and cheerfulness in the face of adversity shown by pupils, staff and parents and the determination to succeed by everyone meant that the traumas of the move quickly disappeared.

The next step was to prepare for the re-opening on 28th April 1989 by Lord Stockton. The programme for the day was finalised, displays organised, invitations issued and the Exhibition mounted. Another fantastic effort by so many people rewarded by many favourable comments and a successful day. Lord Stockton proved to be an excellent choice as the main guest because of his fine style, grace, easy manner and natural warmth.

He was at ease with everyone he met and put people at ease when nerves could have taken over. He unveiled the plaque to re-open the school officially and later performed a similar ceremony in the newly built Sheraton Library. This was to unveil a wooden Sheraton crest which had been hand carved by Derek Hall, Head of Craft and Design at the School. Tom Sowler, as President of the Old Stocktonians Association, gave a brief history of the school and everyone adjourned for drinks and a slice of the 'reopening cake', made specially by Ann Moore, a teacher at Grangefield School. Other speeches were made by Richard Nicholson, Headteacher, Joan Wade, Chair of Governors and Keith Robinson, Deputy Head. Photographs were taken, memories rekindled and reminiscences shared. A wonderful day - and the sun shone!

There followed two weeks of events and open days and evenings when parents, industrialists, members of the local community, children from the local primary schools and former students were able to visit and look round. Guided tours were arranged and refreshments served. Everyone seemed to speak well of the school and were pleased with what they saw.

Readers can be assured, however, that we will not rest upon our laurels. We believe that Grangefield School is the best school in Cleveland and we are trying to prove it by constantly working at all areas of school life. We want the pupils of today to be just as proud of Grangefield School as their predecessors are.

A. Keith Robinson, Deputy Head, Grangefield School.

#### REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

The Association was very pleased that Grangefield School was able to resume the Annual Remembrance Day Service on Friday, 10th November 1989.

A wreath was laid on both memorial plaques and, following a one minute silence, there were three readings and hymns. Tom and Agnes Sowler were able to represent the Associations and Howard Clarke attended on behalf of the Sixth Form College. Apologies were given by Messrs. Graham, Bradshaw and Rattenbury, sadly no other Old Stocktonian representatives were present. If former students would like to attend the ceremony next year could they please contact the Association Secretary, Tom Sowler or Grangefield School directly, probably in late October or early November. This is a tradition that Grangefield School is keen to continue and it does add more meaning to the proceedings if the Association is well represented.

# PRIZE DAY

A Prize Giving Evening (Speech Day in the past) was held at Grangefield School on Friday 1st December at 7.30 pm. Many prizes were given by local businesses, some by individuals and groups (e.g. Parent Teacher Association Governors). The Association was represented by its President, Tom Sowler who awarded the C.W. King & G.G. Armstrong prizes (for English and History) to Louise Brown and Suzanne Tinkler, respectively.

#### 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 Grangefield 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 Grangefield School.

1988/89

History Prize English Prize Suzanne Tinkler Louise Brown

The prizes will be presented by the Association President at the school's Prize Day on December 1st, 1989.

#### **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.,

1988/89

Sportswoman Sportsman Services to College Julie Cook Richard Brown Francesca Marlow



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

#### LIST OF OFFICIALS FOR 1989

#### 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. B.P. Brand Mr. P. Graham Mr. J.G. Rattenbury Miss L. Waring \*

(\* denotes Senior Vice-President)

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Members' Correspondence Secretary ; Mr. R. Ward
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Minutes Secretary : Mr. J. A. Green
Dinner Secretary : Mr. B.P. Brand
Year Book Editor : Mr. P. Graham
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# COMMITTEE (with above)

Mr. Gillespie Mr. J. Ingham Mr. G. Lake Mrs. P.A. Oxley Mrs. V. Pyrah Mr. A.K. Robinson Rev. Mrs. J.M. Thomas Mr. R. Wynzar

# HON AUDITOR :-Mr. D.L. Steel, F.C.A.

# STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES 1988 - 1989

Mr. D. Bruce

Miss W.K. Wong

THE OLD STOCKTONIANS' BENEVOLENT FUND:

Trustees: Mr. B.P. Brand

Convener: Mr.T.F. Sowler

Hon. Auditor :

Mr. A. Carr Mr. H.R. Clarke

Mr. J. Ingham

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1989**

This is to be on Monday 5th February 1990 at 7.30pm in the Staff Room of Stockton Sixth Form College, Bishopton Road West, Stockton - on - Tees.

#### **AGENDA**

- Apologies for Absence.
- 2. Minutes of 1988 A G M held on 6th February 1989.
- 3. History of the Association.
- 4. Any other matters arising.
- 5. Membership Records Secretary's Report.
- 6. Year Book Editor's Report.
- 7. Hon. Treasurer's Report and Balance Sheet.
- 8. Benevolent Fund Report.
- 9. Election of Officers. \*
- 10. Election of other Members to Committee. \*\*
- 11. Appointment of Hon. Auditor.
- 12. Date of next Committee Meeting (April).
- 13. Any other Business.
- \* Your Committee's nominations for Officers are :-

Association President for our 77th year :- Mr T. F. Sowler. Vice-Presidents :- as for 1989 with the one vacancy to be left unfilled.

Other Officers: those in office during 1989.

\*\* Your Committee's nominations for other Members to Committee are :-

One new Member Mr K. Wivell together with all retiring Members of Committee.

To those ex-students of the VIth Form College and ex-pupils of the Grangefield School, who whilst at these places of learning wished a greater involvement by this Association of a change in approach / function of the Association, why not join the Association, then nominate one or more of yourselves with the written consent of your nominee(s) being forwarded with your nomination(s) to Mr Ward (address at the front of this Year Book), then attend this A G M and vote for your nominee(s) to be elected onto the Committee or into Office? This action would be in the interest of the present Students/Pupils at the College/School.

To present Students at the College, you have a say through your Student Council Representatives who can and do attend the Association Committee Meetings. As well as to present Pupils at the Grangefield School, if you wish a change in the Association, then make a point of acting as above immediately on leaving your educational establishment.

To our own Members of longer standing, your support is sought by your presence at this A G M if that could be possible, so that you also could have a say and a vote in the event of any planned take-over.

Note: As required by the Rules, the Annual Subscription for the now present year has been fixed by your retiring Committee at increased rates of £1.50, or for the first year on leaving the Sixth Form College/Grangefield School of 75p. This, by the way, is the first increase since 1977.

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1988**

This was held on 6th February 1989 in Stockton Sixth Form College with Mr. T. F. Sowler, our noted Association President in the Chair. Others present were Miss. L. Waring, Mrs P. A. Oxley, Mrs V. H. Pyrah, Messrs B. P. Brand, P. Graham, F. Jackson, J.A. Green, J. Ingham, and R. Ward. Apologies for absence were received from Mr H. R. Clarke (Principal President), Messrs C. J. Beeston, M. R. Gillespie, & R. Wynzar.

The Chairman apologised for holding the meeting without proper due notification to all Members. The decision not to postpone from this previously fixed date was based on the fact that only Committee Members had attended the previous 5 A G M s.

The most important decision affecting the Association since 1973 was taken without hardly any discussion. This was the passing of the Committee's proposal for a change in the Rules to admit former pupils from the newly named Grangefield School into the Association. It should be noted that the Committee in general consider that this change is more likely to see the continuation of the Association, since students / pupils in an education establishment for 5 yrs are more likely to feel the need for an association than those of just 2 yrs standing; and more importantly for your Committee, provide members some of whom are more likely to stay in the area, at least for 2 yrs, to take over as future Committee Members.

The usual reports were given and that for the Benevolent Fund appears on an other page.

In that from the Year Book Editor, it was again noted that obtaining advertisers had been difficult with only 3½ pages having been obtained so that there would be a nett loss of £448 in printing and posting. With an increased number of Students at the College, this had meant a print run of 1100 instead of the usual 1030 copies. It was agreed that in future advertisers would not be told that copies were to be distributed to every student and that a nominal quantity only would be placed in the College Library for those Students interested enough to collect.

The report from the Hon. Treasurer was that the finances were healthy due to the high level of donations amounting to £276.85. The Balance Sheet for 30-6-88 showed the Life Members' and General Fund standing at £1,340.47 and the Memorial Prize Funds at £324.77.

The only changes following the usual elections were the introduction of 4 new Committee Members from the staff of the two education establishments to fill 4 of the 8 vacancies. The full list of Officials appears on another page.

Mr Sowler noted that his History of the Association was ready for handing to the printers with all the photographs and artwork having been prepared by Des Wood for the expense of the photographic material costs only. It was agreed that 500 copies should be printed and also, following a discussion on funding, to request a loan of £500 from the Benevolent Fund to cover the immediate cash flow difficulty.

The meeting lasted for 1 hour 48 minutes. A full copy of the Minutes can be obtained on request from the Minutes Secretary and with an S.A.E.

John A. Green, Minutes Secretary

#### THE 63rd ANNUAL DINNER

The dinner was held at the Parkmore Hotel, Eaglescliffe on Saturday, 18th March 1989.

Tom Sowler, the Former Student President and Howard Clarke, the College Principal welcomed our guests, Otto Von Bertele and his wife.

Otto was introduced as a tribologist and he explained that as there was mystique about what a tribologist did, he had enjoyed a sheltered work life at I.C.I.

In fact Otto is an engineer who specialises in the important branch of mechanical engineering concerned with the lubrication of surfaces.

He spoke with envy of the settled roots of our former students with the O.S.A. and of his itinerant education, starting in Austria and ending in England. He said he often wished he could re-establish friendships from his early days through an association like ours. He concluded with the toast to the Old Stocktonians' Association.

In responding Tom Sowler thanked Otto and presented him with an O.S.A. tie, making him an honorary member. Tom then proposed a toast to the College and invited Howard Clarke to respond.

Howard began by relating the various experiences which had prevented him from attending previous dinners. Last year, he was at an Oxbridge College, and all his travel plans had gone astray when the gear box on his car had decided to malfunction and the garage could not repair it quickly.

He gave a brief account of the year at the College and we were pleased to hear of the continued successes in all the student activities, academic and extra curricular including the excellent work the students do for charity.

Tom Sowler ended the "official" speeches by saying how pleasing it was to have teacher representatives of what is now Grangefield School, Keith Robinson and Gordon Lake (one of our members) and their wives (Sandra Lake is an ex-Grangefield Girl). It was also a pleasure to welcome back Frank and Pat Cook. Frank made a dash from Cyprus, where he was on Parliamentary business, to be with us.

The evening ended as usual with an hour or so of general chat and promises to return next year!

#### THE 64th ANNUAL DINNER

The venue is the PARKMORE HOTEL, Eaglescliffe
Date: Saturday 7th April 1990 (7.00pm for 7.30pm)
Guest: Tim Devlin M.P. for Stockton South
Tickets price £11.50

can be obtained from the Dinner Secretary, Brian Brand, 24 Ainderby Grove, Hartburn, Stockton, Cleveland TS18 5PJ (Tel:0642 - 583025 Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

Non members are most welcome.

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#### OUR SPORTING LIFE

# SPORTS EXTRAVAGANZA - Wednesday 12th April 1989

As Easter was 'early' again this year it was thought 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.

Once again the Association is indebted to Pete Hudson and Liz Marsden and all the other staff 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.

LADIES' HOCKEY )
MIXED VOLLEYBALL )
LADIES' NETBALL )

No teams were raised by the Stocktonians!

RUGBY: No report at the time of going to press but many thanks to Geoff Lee for organising the event and team.

SOCCER: Won 5-1.

Team: D. Bailey, M. Bailey, M. Cockburn, G. Bennington, S. Close, J. Brookes, M. Chapman, N. Stewart, J. Cooke, G. Johnstone, I. Hamblett. sub: C. Garbutt.

All sorts of selection problems subjected the Old Boys to last minute changes, work commitments meant the Boys were one man short at the kick off but thanks to the College for providing a tremendous prospect in Michael Chapman, a name pencilled in for the future. Due to previous year's refereeing problems a completely neutral Durham F.A. official was employed and to my own dismay he subjected my plaster encased broken wrist to a thorough examination for safety, which it thankfully passed. The game then got underway in ideal conditions, fine weather but soft underfoot. The College immediately put the 'Boys under pressure with an attack on the right but Chapman ended that with a fine tackle. The 'Boys began pressing and good work from Cockburn forced a College defender into a poor headed clearance and Johnstone took full advantage, rifling past the College keeper: 1-0. This seemed to spur the College on and with a run from midfield the College winger seemed to push the ball past Bailey, 'Maradona style', but they all count in these encounters: 1-1 at half time.

In the second half Hamblett had to return to work, his dinner hour over, and he was substituted by Garbutt who immediately stamped his name on the game with an excellent through ball to Johnstone who raced past the College defence before slotting home: 2-1. The 'boys now became very clinical in their play and the College were pushed back in their own half. Excellent footwork by Bennington made space for Stewart whose neat return pass was hammered home by Bennington: 3-1. The College were lifted by the sight of past mentor Mr. Watton appearing on the sideline and a number of very physical encounters ensured, conditions the 'Boys From one such melee a long defensive header from Brookes put Stewart away who, relishing in his new found freedom wide on the right, crashed the ball home: 4-1. The 'Boys by now had the bit between their teeth and pushed for a An excellent text book goal started with the vibrant Chapman beating his opposite number and releasing the ball to Garbutt whose speed took him towards goal, before releasing the ball to the ever present threat Johnstone, a real thorn in the College's side. He was abruptly stopped in his tracks by a tackle from behind on the edge of the box, and from the resulting free kick justice was done when Bennington bent his free kick around the College defensive wall and into the top corner of the net. A tremendous goal to end an excellent game 5-1. Many thanks to all those concerned and here's to yet another fine encounter next year.

MEN'S BASKETBALL: Won 90 - 64

Team: Roberts, Nicholson, Rayner, Jacobson, Close, Routledge, Stephenson, Cooke.

After one of the closest and most keenly contested games for many years the Old Boys emerged as victors by a 26 point margin over the College. Despite a slow start, the Old Boys swept to an eight point lead after 10 minutes with Nicholson and Rayner combining well in offence, scoring 14 from 22 points. However by the 15th minute the College had rallied, reducing the deficit to four points, only to lose control and trail at the half by 29-43. With the morale of the Old Boys boosted at half time by the arrival of Routledge, the veteran of many previous encounters, the second half was undertaken more optimistically. With Jacobson and Routledge dominating the defensive rebounds, allowing Roberts and Rayner to break quickly into attack the Old Boys slowly increased their lead during the second period. To their credit, the College never gave in and pushed the Old Boys right to the final whistle, making them push their wearied and fatigued bodies to the limit of their endurance (all due to old age).

#### IAN ROBERTS

#### SPORTS EXTRAVAGANZA 1990

The 1990 Sports Extravaganza will be held on Wednesday 4th April, 1990. 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 pm.

Team Coordinators:	*	Ladies Hockey	612611
	*		
	*	Ladies Basketball Rugby	612611 612611
	John Brookes Ian Roberts	Soccer (*) Men's Basketball/	570085 94-6076
	John Ions	Mixed Volleyball Men's Hockey	(613921 Work) 93-30928

\*Pete Hudson is arranging for the previous year's captains to organise (or help) with these events. If you would like to play please contact the College on the number shown to get full details.

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 former pupils who are currently students (and rugby players) contact Geoff Lee to help us field a team in future years. As usual we are always 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.

Although the details are recorded elsewhere in the Magazine I would like to pay tribute in this section to the memory of Ruth Grainge. Sadly, Ruth died on August 8th 1989 after a, typically, brave fight against cancer. Many students will remember how unstinting Ruth was with her time and advice despite the outside pressures on her from her own involvement in top-class hockey. The Old Stocktonians were always grateful for her help in the organisation and running of activities during the Annual Extravaganza which she undertook with typical efficiency and good humour. On her return to part-time teaching, after having a family, Ruth showed the same dedication and determination she had as a full-time member of staff, giving freely of her time and efforts, even if this meant teaching beyond her set hours. Those whose student life, both sporting and non-sporting, was touched by Ruth realise that her passing is a sad loss for both past and future students of the College and that the world in general will be the poorer for her absence.

#### THE OLD STOCKTONIANS' BENEVOLENT FUND.

On the 1st January 1988 there was a credit balance at the Darlington Building Society of £1911.05. Loans totalling £100 were made during the year. There were no repayments. The Trustees were happy to authorise a donation of £50 to the Cheshire Homes in appreciation of kindnesses shown to one of our members. Donations were received from the Worshipful the Mayor of Stockton-on-Tees, ClIr. Malda Platts (£50), and from the Students' Council of the Sixth Form College (£25). Interest for the year amounted to £84.17. The credit balance at the Darlington Building Society on the 31st December 1988 therefore amounted to £1920.22.

During the current financial year (1989) donations totalling £15 have been received from Mr. Reg. Cornforth (£10) and from Mrs. Blythe (£5), Caretaker of the Sixth Form College.

The Trustees agreed to lend money to the Old Stocktonians' General Fund to help it to overcome a possible temporary cash flow problem caused by the printing of the booklet "The Old Stocktonians' Association".

Over the last few years appeals have been received by the Trustees from students at University for donations towards the cost of expenses which they intended to incur during research expeditions overseas. Though these expeditions were extremely commendable no degree of financial hardship was involved and so the appeals could not be entertained, particularly as the students concerned were no longer at school, and neither were they members of this Association. Regretfully the Trustees have minuted the following ".... unless exceptional circumstances prevail no such request would in the future be entertained from University students who had not been sufficiently interested in the Old Stocktonians' Association to become a member of it before leaving the Sixth Form College".

Once again our thanks are 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 Sixth Form College, or to Tom Sowler, 2 Highfield Crescent, Hartburn, Stockton-on-Tees, TS18 5HH. (Telephone: 0642 580690)

TOM SOWLER

#### TURNING POINTS

As a small return for my good fortune in a career as a professional engineer, I give career advice to a couple of local schools and, oddly enough you might think, find it enjoyable and stimulating. I only hope the fifth and sixth formers are not excruciatingly bored by my relating the joys and despairs in such a career as seen by the Jack of all trades operator that I was. These exercises have brought me into contact with teachers as well as pupils; one, taking an additional qualification in the evenings which involved research into relationships and motivation, enquired - as part of her research - what were the turning points I saw in my business life.

I was given plenty of time to think over the question before my twenty minutes (taped) answer - the taping being undertaken so that she and her fellow researchers could make their own assessments. And disregard mine if need be. My own assessment was that my turning points, with a solitary exception, were being associated with particular people. In fact two school teachers, a small group of Scottish civil engineering draughtsmen, one colleague and two immediate superiors created fruitful patterns and prospects for the future. The 'event exception' was being offered 5/- (25p.) per week more than I had asked for when applying for a job in the Civil Service, which good manners - and sheer greed - caused me to accept. So cherish the people you meet. They will affect your life whether you like it or not, and that is exclusive of your nearest and dearest.

But events can also have profound effects in ordinary day to day life, and in my case it arose through a loathing of flying of which I had done a great deal on business. On holidays my wife and I had travelled the main routes of Europe by care, from Tromso in Norway to Rome and points on like radii. So what could be seen in the Mediterranean, we wondered, without flying. We took a cruise in a large ship and hated it, but it called at Izmir (one-time Smyrna) for Ephesus and there we went. And of course saw the home town of those to whom St. Paul wrote, marvelled at the streets, temples, houses, aqueducts, cisterns, library, harbour and quarantine area. Even 'ask evi'. And stood amazed at the sheer brilliance, skill, persistence and good taste of folk of 2000 years ago. So flying, still loathed, had to be faced to see more. Almost at the same time we read Robin Lane Fox's book 'in Search of Alexander' - a cracking adventure tale that has taken us from Thrace to Sicily, through Greece and the islands of the Mediterranean and the Adriatic, blissfully following his route down the coast of Turkey as far as Antioch where St. Paul also stood - splendid chap. Maybe one day we'll get as far as Karachi where Alexander more or less turned round.

So the turning point of the visit to Ephesus led to re-education and new delights, and of course an excellent opportunity to see the achievements of and reflect upon the people of long ago who, amongst other virtues, were remarkable engineers. We saw for instance an early factory in Sicily for the manufacture of stone columns, looking exactly as if a shop steward had caused a walk out, with no return. And, of course, we saw stupendous feats of structural engineering, artificial water courses, first-class central heating systems and ablutions, and toilets of great complexity and ingenuity. And reflected on bridge building which we never saw - the bridge of ships over the Hellespont, the trireme - the three-deck fighting ship now remodelled and extant in Athens - and of course heard acoustic principles soundly applied to sophisticated and extremely large open air theatres.

I could go on, interminably perhaps, about places seen by so many students - the Mediterranean borders are full of such lucky people. But I have mostly refrained because this is really a plug for engineering, a business which is creative, exciting, rewarding, and a means of exercising curiosity and looking behind facades. And if you incline towards concern and care, you can play a part in the careful use of natural

resources.

W.L. WILSON March 1989

#### BRIEF ENCOUNTER

Whatever may be the disadvantages attaching to the teaching profession - and they seem many, two advantages deriving from it are beyond dispute, longevity and tenacity of memory for names and faces. Both, presumably, result from being constantly in the company of youth, for, whilst this is, according to the Bard "a stuff 'twill not endure" it seems remarkably contagious.

As an ex pupil of the 'Sec', Nelson Terrace and therefore a real 'old timer (1927 - 31) I can bear witness to the two accomplishments.

In 1950 I boarded a Norton bound bus in Stockton High Street and being at that time a smoker I climbed to the upper deck.

The sole passenger there turned in his seat and, after a moments reflection - "Well," he said, "It's Green"

I had to restrain myself from instinctively answering "Yes, Sir", for it was none other than the late T.B. Brooks ('Tibby' of immortal memory) and unmistakeably so, from the faintly derisive tone of voice to the dark, almost mocking eyes.

So, I knew <u>him</u> for he seemed unaltered in manner and appearance, but by what strange feat of memory did he know <u>me.</u> We had not met since 1931 and I had certainly altered. Coincidence, a lucky guess?

Perhaps, but twenty years later I was driving home to Kirkleavington via Hartburn and Yarm. At the Hartburn end of Durham Lane a diminutive figure appeared in the dusk of a late Autumn evening and instantly recognizable despite the absence of the bicycle with the wicker basket at the handlebars. It was the late Mr. Rhys ("Taffy" to very old boys) His face, nut brown and surmounted, I swear, by the original fawn trilby hat, was that of a sixty year old.

I stopped the car and lowered the window. He halted and looked uncertainly across at me. "Mr. Rhys?" I said. He nodded and crossed the road. "It's Green, isn't it?" he enquired after a long pause, and once again I almost said "Yes, Sir"

He still lived at Eaglescliffe, it seemed, and to make a short account of a fairly lengthy reunion (for he had, in tandem with the redoubtable Cuthbert King attempted to implant into my head the rudiments of Eng. Lit.) he reluctantly got into the car and allowed himself to be driven as far as Yarm bank.

A further reminiscing there he requested me to drop him at the Town Hall as he had been largely deprived of his evening "stroll". But by now the novelty of that chance meeting after so many years had stimulated the Welsh love of anecdote. Eventually I remarked tactfully that I did not want to detain him. He stopped in full flow. "I tell you what" he said "Drop me off at Kirkleavington Lane end." Once there, and flatly refusing my offer to run him home, he got out of the car and buttoned up his jacket (did anyone ever see him with a coat?) I got out also and we shook hands and a question I had not liked to pose earlier could not be resisted.

"If it isn't too rude a question - how old are you, Mr. Rhys?.

He turned and with that faintly amused smile of his - "Eighty, last month" he said before disappearing into the deepening twilight.

There's a moral somewhere.

ARCHER GREEN (1928 - 32)

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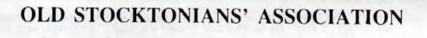
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#### **NEW MEMBERS**

RICHARD HUMBLE (1985 - 87) is currently in his third year of medicine at Edinburgh University. The last two years have been pre-clinical and enjoyable. He anticipates a continuation of his enjoyment and expects the course to be even more interesting this year as he's on the wards most of the time. Having been in halls of residence for the last two years Richard is moving into a flat for his third year and will have to learn to fend for himself!! The best of luck!

GUY MOULE(1986 - 88) is currently in the middle of a 'year out' at British Nuclear Fuels plc. From September 1989 Guy will be studying Engineering Manufacture & Management at UMIST.

MRS P.A. OXLEY (Staff) has recently joined the committee of the Association and we are pleased to have her valuable assistance and support.

R. WILD (1982  $\cdot$ 85) is now working as a Shift Chemist for Davy McKee, in their R & D department.

## HELP!! HELP!! HELP!! HELP!! HELP!!

The cost of printing the magazine this year (despite reducing the number of copies) is expected to be about £450. Add to that £45 postage and various minor expenses and you can see very little change from £500.

Adverts have never been easy to obtain and we are faced with increasing competition from other publications/organisations who are also looking to defray costs. We anticipate adverts bringing in about £15O.

About 100 books are sent to yearly members, most of whom have paid £1. subs up to date (many have paid for years in advance!)

About 250 books are sent to life members from whom we are pleased to receive donations (many of which are very generous).

Unfortunately the revenue received is rapidly being absorbed by the costs of producing the magazine and it may well be that this year is the last time that we can afford such a professional article.

How can I help? I hear you cry. There are two ways, is our reply ...

- 1) We need to have confirmation of addresses, so please fill in the proforma in this year's magazine if you wish to get a copy of next year's publication!!! (Every year we have members who 'rediscover' us, following their failure to complete the proforma last asked for in 1980!)
- 2) Life Members who have only paid such membership, please send a donation to help boost funds, if you are able.

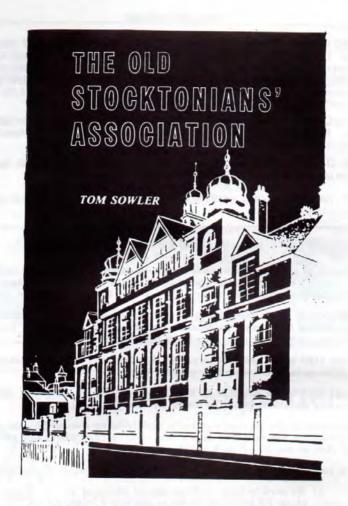
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# HISTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION & SCHOOLS

As you will have seen by our advert above Tom Sowler has 'gone to press' with his History of the Association and Schools. The booklet has a glossy black cover with a fine silhouette of the Secondary School, contains 36 pages and has some fine photographs taken by Des Wood, who printed the cover. The modest price of £2.50 (including postage and packing) will bring the publication to your door. By some judicious salesmanship Tom has managed to cover costs already and future sales will directly benefit the Association. Also we cannot guarantee that the booklet will ever be reprinted in its original form and so it is part of a (very) limited edition! To secure your copy please contact:-

Tom Sowler, 2 Highfield Crescent, Hartburn, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland TS18 5HH. (Telephone: 0642 - 580690) or the Secretary of the Association.

As reported above we have now covered costs on the booklet and so every £2.50 paid to the Association for a copy will be paid into Association Funds, and this is needed if we are to continue to publish any form of communication in the future.

#### FORMER STUDENTS HERE AND THERE

SUE ALDERSON (1978 - 81) has nicely topped up her subs and tells us that she is still working as a P.E. teacher in Chesterfield and still enjoying it !! Sue is getting married next year but intends to remain in Derbyshire.

TIM ALDERSON (1975 -77) is currently working for Grant Thornton, Chartered Accountants in Sheffield and is also getting married soon (1990/91). Tim lives in Castleton, Derbyshire.

CATH ALLINSON (1978 - 80) writes to inform us of her new address and boosts her subs. She is still working for 3M in the Midlands but spent 5 months in 1988 at 3M's headquarters in the U.S.A. Cath is currently working as a Production Engineering Supervisor and studying for an MBA in her spare time !!!

DAVE ATKINSON (1957 - 64) writes to inform us of his new address and bring his subs up to date. Many thanks Dave.

F.W. BOWEN (1925 - 32) was kind enough to send us a donation and able to join us at our Annual Dinner this year. He currently lives near Hull in a pleasant village and is much involved in Rotary affairs, being Vice-President of the Rotary Club of Holderness at present. He spoke to Guy Warwick (see later) recently and through this contact we obtained a new member - the last time he met Guy was 1952!

CHERITH JOCITA CANNON (1979 - 81) brought her subs up to date and confirmed her address (this latter task is much needed by all members if we are not to waste time and finances — Editor). No other news, but she did bring us up to date last year.

In addition to topping up subs and providing a nice donation IAN CARBARNS (1977 - 79) tells us that he has now settled into a new job with Sanofi UK Ltd.,, a pharmaceutical company based on the south side of Manchester. Ian is working as a Clinical Research Physician, organising trials of new drugs in patients both in Britain and around the world. The company is French owned so Ian gets lots of French documents to read and digest - all those nouns, verbs and prepositions drummed into him a dozen or more years ago are having to fight to get back out again !! He knew they would come in useful one day. Ian is planning to get married in October 1990 - and before you ask "he says, "yes, she is a nurse, and yes she was the little angel on the ward who kept me up all night!"

lan also provides details of brother NEIL CARBARNS (1975 - 77)), who is now working in Cardiff as Senior Registrar and University Lecturer in Microbiology. Sister SHEILA CARBARNS (1983 - 85) is still a medical student in Edinburgh, but she's due to qualify in summer 1990 - spent a large part of last summer 'pretending (his words not ours ! - Ed.) to be a doctor in Stornoway and Jersey'

IAN CHANDLER (1984 - 86?) graduated B.D. (2.1) and A.K.C. in 1989 at King's College, London. Ian was awarded the King's College prize in Church History. He is spending 1989-90 as a community worker in the Westminster area before beginning training at St. Stephen's, Oxford for the Anglican priesthood.

LORRAINE CLARK (1986 - 89) travelled to Harrogate in July to start her R.G.N. training, we hope things are going smoothly. Her mother SYLVIA CLARK (nee BEST)(1956 - 63) has just joined the Association this year. After 'retiring' from teaching to raise three children Sylvia has recently returned to her career via supply and home-tutoring.

Although JIM D'ARCY (Staff:) was unable to join us at the Annual Dinner he generously donated the ticket proceeds to help our flagging funds.

ALAN DAVIES (1933 - 37) writes from Durham City to become a new member of the Association, sadly his letter gives no details of what he has been doing for the last 50 years - perhaps he will put that right for next year?

SARAH JANE DAY (1982 - 84) tops up her subs and informs us that she is currently studying Law in Chester at the College of Law. Sarah starts work as an articled clerk to a firm of solicitors in Leeds in September 1990.

I DENNEY (1940 - 46) thanks us for his 75th Anniversary issue of the Year Book and confirms that he is still enjoying his (early) retirement. He and his wife celebrated their Ruby Wedding in January 1989 (for which we send belated congratulations - Editor). With four children and nine grandchildren assembled from all quarters of the country it sounded like quite a celebration!!

SUE DICKSON (nee HARDY) (1975 - 77) was working, until mid-1988, as an Area Sales Manager for a pharmaceutical company in Edinburgh. The birth of her daughter, Georgia, has caused the change in 'jobs' (belated congratulations to Sue & Rab - Editor). As Sue's husband works in Glasgow they may consider moving further west.

PETER DODDS (1953 - 61) continues his entrepreneurial activities in deepest Cambridgeshire. After long stints in Australia and Ireland he is now involved in the new deregulated TV scene in London. His company, Barker Syndication, puts together sponsored TV programme for advertisers and agencies.

Paul Graham met BOB EASBY (?) at the pre-opening of Grangefield School when many of the 'old archives' were on display (no we weren't part of them !) and persuaded him to become a member of the Association.

In addition to sending a nice donation JOHN ELLIS (1940 - 46) writes, in March '89. to tell us that he is now approaching retirement (lucky devil!). He hopes, in that 'third age of man', to visit the North East (from darkest Preston) and view some of the changes that have taken places. Building on his good foundations at Nelson Terrace, John has had a satisfying career of over 36 years in the Nuclear Fuels Industry starting as a graduate development chemist and ending as Technical Manager (Chemical Technology) in BNFL's Springfields site, with about 50 qualified staff. John gives his best wishes to committee for keeping the Association going and especially to John Green, a contemporary of his in those war years at Nelson Terrace.

A count of 15 names of Members who started school before 1925 made RAYMOND ELSWORTH (1921 - 25). realise that he is one of the 'old brigade'. Ray is looking forward to Tom Sowler's History of the Association to jog his memory in his 79th year. He speculated about the inclusion in Tom's History of: The 1921 (25th Anniversary) Concert in the Jubilee Hall, Mr Taylor (Chemistry), Billy Ball (Maths) T.B. Brooke the first ex-pupil to become a master and his hobby of playing strings at the Hippodrome, under Phil Ferri? (Happily Ray now has the answers to his speculative questions. If you would like the answers or have similar questions buy Tom's 'History of the Association' - see the advert earlier in this magazine - Editor). Ray goes on to ask if Tom was a member of Mr Baldwin's team of boys who delivered purchases made at the Cricket Club's yearly sale, also in the Jubilee Hall, when they went by train to Junction Lane, and to Hartburn Lane, where the affluent citizens of Stockton lived, carrying baskets of goods. Names which Ray reacts to include: Frank Baker & Maurice Sutherland (who helped him become a member of the house owning fraternity); Bobby Raper (Tilery Road?) who sat near him in 3B with Mr Rhys as their master; and George Brann - a banker - who Ray knew as an Association member after leaving school.

KAY EVANS (nee THOMPSON) (1981 - 84). tops up her subs handsomely and informs us of her new name (congratulations Kay!) and her new address, sadly no other new of her activities.

One of our oldest members T.B. FARNABY (1919 - 23) was able to join us at the Annual Dinner this year and we are very pleased to receive a donation from him.

Sadly no news from DAVE GATHERGOOD (1957 - 64), but we are grateful for the generous donation.

In addition to his donation to the King & Armstrong Funds RAYMOND GEDLING (1929 - 36) inquires after the health of Gordon Rattenbury. (Which I am glad to report is excellent - Editor). Ray is somewhat bewildered at the absence of athletics reports from the College (as a former winner of the cross-country, mile and half-mile). He also enquires about the place of chess in the College. (On both counts Ray, we can only print what we are told about. Sadly there have been no reports of chess or athletics activities in the College recently, but that is not to say that they do not exist - Editor). Ray keeps in touch with ALAN SWINBURNE (1929 - 36) and DAVID BYERS (1931 - 38?) and remembers Ron Wynzar, Tom Sowler, E. Clark and one or two others on our list who were among those who appear as giants when one is in the first form. He remembers TED SHIELDS (1927 - 34) and himself having to climb over the Nelson Terrace wall to get out after playing late in the semi-final (?) of the chess competition. Ray says Ted was better as a slow bowler! (than he was as a climber or chess player ?? - Editor.) Ray is enjoying his 12th year of retirement after 40 odd years in the Ministry of Health, Dept. of Education, Treasury & Cabinet Office.

DEREK GRAHAM (1959 - 61), having supported the Annual Dinner for many years, has joined the Association at last. (It was during the Grangefield nostalgia evening!). After leaving Nottingham Training College in 1964 Derek returned to Teesside to take up a post at Harrogate Junior School, in Hardwick, where he taught with ROY MALLABY (1955 - 62) and had a perfect view of the rise of North Tees Hospital. In 1971 he began studying, part-time for a BEd degree and was awarded in his degree from Durham University 1976. He moved to Frederick Natrass Junior School as Deputy Head in 1978 where, except for a brief spell as acting head, he still resides. Out of job activities include an interest in military history, fell-walking and (Mr Rattenbury would probably not believe this!) German at night classes.

Having lost touch briefly with ARCHER GREEN (1928 - 32) we were pleased to receive a letter and article from him for the magazine (see 'Brief Encounter', earlier in this magazine)

JOHN GREENAWAY (1983 - 85) confirms his address, tops his subs up, and adds subscriptions for Jonathan Andrew (?) but sadly includes no more news of either party.

In addition to confirming his postal address (in Leeds) PAUL HARRISON (1968-73) topped up his subs to 1997 and has included a very generous donation which has boosted our funds considerably. Paul moved house in 1989 but is still resident in Horsham, Sussex (where he has lived for 6 years). His work for Sun Alliance has recently been based in the City and he recommends commuting to anyone! "It's great fun" he says!

PAUL HELLIWELL (1949 - 54) writes from Southampton, with a nice donation, to tell us that he is currently working on problems related to the control of water - from minor drainage and sewerage layouts to regional water resource development plans. Paul was recently in Somalia looking at town water supply needs with a team working for the World Bank. As most of his overseas work has been in the Far East, the 'Horn of Africa' was a (nice?) change. By way of contrast he has also been to Thailand for a few weeks looking at prawn farms.

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No news from GRANVILLE HEWITT (1916 - 22), one of our oldest and staunchest supporters, but another generous donation for which we are most grateful.

KAREN HUDSON (1976 - 78) tops up her subs handsomely and adds the following news of herself and many others. Following her B.A. from Durham Karen gained an M.A. in Librarianship at Sheffield University. Karen had to move back home in 1987, after 3 years work in Ripon, for reasons of ill health; she was diagnosed as an M.S. sufferer in 1985. At the time of writing to us she, happily, has had a year of remission - her last hospital stay being in April 1988 - and she hopes to find some part-time library work locally. Her brother GAVIN (?) is doing well on a one year MSc course at Aberdeen, having been sponsored by an oil company up there. Karen says it's lovely getting to know Stockton again and meeting old school friends, usually at holiday times. She tells us that SALLY RICHARDSON (1977 - 79) is now a qualified careers instructor working for Hertfordshire County Council. After leaving University Sally was very ill but is much better now. Sally and Sue Richardson were Karen's next door neighbours. GILLIAN SMITH (nee BATES) (1976 - 78) and her husband Mark are about to leave their maisonette in Bow. London for a house in Thamesmead. Gillian and Mark are in touch with CHRIS RIGG (?) now doing a G.P. training scheme in Northallerton after doing Anaesthetics at London, and also with FIONA DAVIES (?) (married name ?) who resides 'down south'. DAVID HAZLETON (?) is back in the area working as a G.P. in Norton, his wife Olwyn now teaches at 'the old school' (Grangefield). Karen was pleased to receive a visit from ROSEMARY (JANE?) REID (now EARL) whose has moved to Halifax from Plymouth recently and they indulged in a nostalgic walk past Grangefield. In addition to material for our magazine Karen included memories, and the promise of photographs, for the Grangefield exhibition but these were too late to be included - some of the memories we include here : Trips to monasteries, Hadrian's Wall and other Roman artefacts were the order of the day for 1st and 2nd year Grangefield Girls and Karen recalls fondly a later school trip to Rumania (she wonders how many of the monasteries they saw in 1975 still stand after recent 'reforms' there!). The 1976 school play "Charlie's Aunt" was a great highlight. Following an idea of CRAIG GADDAS (?) the production was staged with the help of Karen's English teacher, Karen played the real Aunt. Craig is now a professional actor, calling himself James Gaddas, and Karen has seen him on stage at the Crucible, Sheffield as well as on TV (though she missed his Walt Disney film appearance !)

Although he was only on the staff for a short time, (1949 - 51) HAROLD W. JONES a Life Member, has regularly made a subs contribution to boost our funds, sadly he has never included details of his 'recent', activities which must include retirement!

We were pleased to renew our ties with STAN KELLEY (1932 - 37) and his brothers N. KELLEY (1934 - 39) and J. KELLEY (1930 - 35) all of whom had failed to respond to our request for address confirmation some 10 years ago !!! Stan joined I.C.I. from school in 1937 as a mechanical apprentice and spent the whole of his working life with the company in various disciplines - maintenance engineering, Work Study (Fellow of the Institute) and latterly as a Personnel Officer in Industrial Relations. Retiring early in 1978 Stan has devoted his time to his hobbies of flyfishing (Chairman of Stockton Angling Association for 14 years: 1973 - 87), sketching and painting, pottery, Woodcarving, Gardening etc... Married for 41 years Stan has 1 daughter and (at last, he says) one granddaughter. During a recent visit from C.R. (RAY) LISTER (1932 - 37?), who was up from Ipswich there was much reminiscing of 'old times' and past faces.

PHILLIP KING (1981 - 84) tops up his subs and sends a nice donation, both of which are most welcome, and adds the following news of himself and contemporaries. After three years at Leicester University (2 reading Medicine) Phillip is now working as a life underwriter for a major insurance company. He was able to beat the 1985 property boom in Leicester by buying a home before the 'explosion'. Brother GEOFFREY KING (1979 - 81)1) is now working and living in Worcester and sister NICOLA KING (1982 - 84) has now qualified as a RGN and is a Staff Nurse at the Freeman Hospital in Newcastle. CHRISTOPHER SAUL (1981 - 83) qualified as a

barrister 18 months ago and is now working in Leeds where he has bought a flat. Chris is on secondment to Los Angeles in the summer (89) to work for an American company. NEIL SAYER (1981 - 83) graduated from Liverpool University in English in 1987 and has been involved with theatre work at the Edinburgh Festival as well as touring Europe. Phillip last saw him in February '89' when he was looking for a job in publishing. HOWARD TURTON (1981 - 83) is now working for Cleveland County Trading Standards Dept., having graduated in Chemistry from Lancaster University.

A pleasure to hear once again from GEORGE LITTLE (1915 - 18) now in his 87th year. George noted seven contemporaries in the Life Members list. He followed the late John Wilkinson as President, a post he held for three years, then he had about seven years as Treasurer, he now helps quite a lot at the Church. His daughter, Cynthia, who was at Grangefield lives at Lewes in Sussex and is a Senior Secretary at Sussex University. George's granddaughter Annabel having gained her BSc (Arch.) is now at Brighton Poly studying for her 'letters'. Working for a London Borough she was awarded a bursary and has a post to return to after her study. Her brother Robin is now working for one of the few private shipping companies is Liverpool.

After giving us a good account of his activities two years ago JOHN MOORE (1959-65) has shown great faith in the Association by extending his subs to 2011! in addition to a nice donation. Many thanks John, hope to see you at the dinner in 1990 (25 years since we left Grangefield - Editor)

ROB ('Roz') PRITCHARD (1958 - 65) was 'nabbed ' to join the Association by yours truly at the Grangefield nostalgia evening (he didn't need much persuading!)

With a donation to funds, it was nice to hear from HARRY RAY (1932 - 37) again when he wrote to tell us of his new address.

DON SMITH (1933 - 40) recently contacted us with details about his new book which deals with childhood memories in the Teesside area, slips for which are enclosed in the Yearbook.

ROY STEWARTSON (1934 - 41) writes to tell us how he discovered why he had received no magazines since 1981; he hadn't completed the confirmation of address slip we requested that year !! Roy gave us the sad news that his brother KEITH (1936 - 42?) had died in 1983 (see obituary) and added the following details about his own career. Roy ended his career as Technical Director of the Steel milling and finishing Sub Group of G.K.N. based on their major plant in Cardiff. disastrous effect of the recession in steel in 1981 the section was 'hived off' in 1981 and last year the Company was refloated on the Stock Market as Allied Steel and Wire. Due to the efforts of a dynamic Chairman, A.S.W. had been turned around and become more efficient and profitable than any other Steel business in the U.K., making British Steel look inefficient !! Roy retired from full time employment in 1983 at 60 years of age but as he had begun a relationship with two Japanese Steel Companies, on whom his company was being modelled, he was asked to stay on in a part time role to complete the work. Despite the help from the Japanese company Roy says they have to run very fast just to keep close behind and so he is still doing the job, but he will definitely give it up next year! All Roy's family and interests are south of the Humber but he hopes to get up to Stockton in 1990 and would be pleased to hear from any of his contemporaries and perhaps meet them on his visit. Reflecting on his time at the Secondary School he realises how much he and his brother Keith owed to the masters in those pre-war days. Tot Munday worked to get them both through the Latin entrance exam to Cambridge after only 6 months tuition, and T.B. Brooke and C.W. King brought music to them both and made it a joy forever.

We have just learned that the Rt Revd E.J. TINSLEY (1931 - 37) retired as Bishop of Bristol (in 1985) and is now living in Eynsham, Oxford. Our best wishes go to him for a long and happy retirement.

PAUL VITTLES (1978 - 80) has had three addresses since November 1988! (slow down Paul, give time for the ink to dry!). After four and a half years at MORI, where he was Senior Research Executive in the Local Government & Housing Research Unit as well as Associate Director of the Human Resources Division, Paul decided to leave London and head a bit nearer home. The right opportunity arose in York where, since January 1989, he has been working as Customer Services Manager for the City Council. In the current (political) climate he has been concentrating upon Housing Services but has also had to monitor leisure facilities, tourism, and general communication between the City of York and its residents (We understand this has involved co-editing a newspaper called "In Touch").

DAVE WAITES (?) was another 'convert' at the Grangefield nostalgia evening ( I did look around the exhibition, honestly!)

GUY WARWICK (1932 - 37) has recently joined (re-joined?) the Association. Guy left the area for 'pastures new' some 45 years ago and doubts if he has been near Stockton for almost 30 years! (How about coming to the dinner this year Guy? - Editor). Asking after the premises of the 'Old School' and whether they had been replaced by something more modern the Editor could only reply that if a car park was modern then they certainly had! I was able to reassure him however that the move to the Grangefield site and the subsequent association with the Sixth Form College had not reduced tradition too drastically (although the 2/3 years at the College inevitably has less impact than 5/6/7 years had at the former schools). One only has to read these pages to see how well students value their ties and traditions (all students who have dates including 1974 and later are from our Sixth Form College 'connections' — just count the number in this section!)

DAVE (1967 - 74) and LESLEY WILLETTS (1967 - 72) bring us up to date with their 'activities' in a nice long letter. Dave is still in Education as Head of Business Education at John Cleveland College in Hinckley (just west of Leicester). In the next academic year he will be on secondment as Advisory Teacher for Business Education and I.T. for the County. Timetable pressures over the last 18 months have meant that Dave has not been able to continue teaching P.E. Lesley is still with Fisons Scientific Apparatus in Loughborough, now as Financial Management Accountant, and has somehow found time to give birth to their first child on October 10th 1988, Sophie Louise, weighing in at 9lb 5oz. Dave is no longer coaching Rugby Union at Loughborough University, he has moved on to coach the 2nd XV at Nottingham, which has proved to be an interesting move. He is now part of a coaching team which includes the Midlands and England 'B' coaches. Rugby coaching does have its better sides! In the summer before last (1987) Dave received an invitation from the Ontario Rugby Union to spend his summer vacation coaching a number of clubs in Canada at their expense - not a trip to turn down!! Lesley flew out for the final two weeks of his stay to conclude a very enjoyable working holiday. On hearing of the modernisation of Sheraton-Grange and the 'nostalgia' evening at the school Dave began looking through his own memorabilia. He still has a half colours tie, and full colours blazer for rugby, an old Dunelm House rugby jersey, a Sixth Form College rugby jersey (does Pete Hudson know ?? - Editor) and his old Grangefield prefect's tie in addition to a wide range of staff and students photos, including Grangefield and the College's rugby teams. Dave adds one or two 'firsts' that relate Grangefield and Sixth Form College. The first trophy of any description that was acquired by students at the College was achieved by the Rugby team who won the Billingham Sevens by defeating Hartlepool (Brierton) in the final - Dave was Captain of the 1st XV during the first year of the College's existence. In Easter 1973 Dave was made Captain of the School at Grangefield and under normal conditions would have continued in that office during his second year sixth but transfer to the College prevented such tradition. At the College Dave became a tutor group representative and by chance was elected the inaugural President of the Students' Council. The College was therefore obliged to persevere (his words not mine! - Editor) with an ex Grangefield 'Head Boy' not only as its first Rugby Captain but as its first Student President! The photograph of Grangefield on the cover of the 1988/9 Yearbook brought many memories flooding back - 'Tadge' Taylor's woodwork and metalwork rooms ('CDT suite' !!); basketball outside the gym; running the tuck shop in 1969/70 and the many sounds emanating from the late Harry Horsman's 'Room 1'. These and many other memories will never be forgotten. Finally Dave thanks all those people who voluntarily put in hours of work to ensure that the Association lives - he should know, he remembers his work as a past Treasurer. (Many thanks Dave -Editor)

COLIN WILLIAMS (1950 - 57) writes from Bucks, to say how delighted he was to obtain a copy of the 1988/89 New Stocktonian from STEWART COLLINGWOOD (1950 - 57) (The Membership Secretary tells me there must be a 'Black Market' in Yearbooks judging by his records!! - Editor). Colin was particularly interested in the note about RAYMOND REED (1950 - 57), now based at Basingstoke. He was in regular touch with Ray and NEIL AUFFLECK (1950 - 57) when they were all London-based in the mid-1960's. In those days Colin worked in Fleet Street then in 1967/68 he left to teach journalism in Kenya before returning to the U.K. He has been involved in financial communication ever since and now heads the NatWest Bank Group Press Offices in the City. Another Stocktonian from the same period, who is also with NatWest is MAURICE ATKIN (?) Colin is in regular contact with Stewart (who was his best man some 25 years ago, Neil was a groom's man). Colin understands that plans are afoot for a class reunion, many of whom (he believes) are still in the old home area but others from the 1950 - 57 period. like JOHN WEARMOUTH and ROBIN HUTTON seem to have 'vanished'. (Unless someone out there knows better!!! - Editor)

WILLIAM LAWRENCE WILSON (1923 - 28) partly as a result of our inclusion of his last article but also in response to our plea for news etc. . picks up his pen again to give an article (see 'Turning Points' earlier in the Yearbook) and give the following news. He & his wife hope to manage getting around, as well as on and off the Inner & Outer' Hebrides by car and under their own steam in 1989 in addition to a further visit to Cyprus and the Western Mediterranean. Since going to London ("eons ago", he says) he has lost a great deal of his North Country accent but occasionally, out of the blue, he uses a north country colloquialism like 'spell' for a splinter in the finger or 'clarty' for sticky or muddy. Sometimes his use is deliberate like 'jarp' for egg contests and 'bule' for bowl (eggs again). He fears however that many words have, and will be, lost in the mists of time unless someone is willing or able to draw up a glossary of Teesside vernacular. (Tom Sowler's name rises again!!). William's own memory is hazy for he parts with a question both to himself and us. "Do I remember 'scut', 'skinamalinks' and 'cuddywiffer' ?"

It was nice to receive a note from KEITH WIVELL (1975 - 77) who tops up his subs by an admirable amount and tells us of his new address in Ripon. Rightly, Keith feels that the Yearbook has been arriving too late in recent issues to allow attendance at the AGM or make arrangements to attend the Dinner. (We do realise the problem Keith - Editor). Difficulties have been experienced more and more with advertisers, whom we need to help pay for the printing, and this together with other factors has often held us back - we hope to do better this year: Editor).

Keith was pleased to see the list of members and was able to help us with SIMON ROBINSON'S (1970 - 77) address near York. Keith is a partner with Turnard & Co., solicitors in Ripon, and is regularly in touch with a number of Old Stocktonians, usually when they are in trouble (!) or moving house.

#### OBITUARIES

# NORMAN WINN J.P. (1983 - 1988)

President: 1921 - 22, 1926 - 27 Trustee of Benevolent Fund: 1927 - 1986

On 28th November 1988 there ended, with the death of NORMAN WINN an 84 vear link between this Association and the schools that have provided its

membership since 1913.

Norman Winn was a pupil at the Higher Grade/Stockton Secondary Schools from 1904 to 1911 and was a member of the Association from 1913. For all of its 75 years Norman was an active member of the Old Stocktonians Association as Committee Member and President (twice) and Trustee of the Benevolent Fund. Indeed, with his companions L. MacGregor, P. Cohen, L.T. Winn and R.B. Wears he

was largely instrumental in the formation of the Association.

In the 1913 Year Book he was listed as a 'teacher (matric) at Newtown Council School' and retired as Headmaster (of ten years standing) from the same school in 1958. As one member of his staff commented at the time his "act of retirement was the only thing which had ever displeased the staff". Except for four years in the Royal Artillery during the First World War the whole of his forty years service was given to Stockton children and it was one of his proudest boasts that he knew

every one of them by name.

For 16 years he was a co-opted member of the Stockton Education Committee, he was a President of the local Teachers' Association for three years and in 1942, he was President of the Durham Teachers' Association. In that connection he attended conferences of the National Union of Teachers all over England. Norman was, for 10 years, a Borough Magistrate in that capacity his sound judgement and sane outlook were always invaluable. Always keen on sport he was in charge of the town team which reached the final of the English School's Trophy in the 1950's. A keen cricketer and footballer at school, he took a prominent part in the Old Stocktonians Football XI for many years.

Although there may be few of his generation left who remember his efforts in the early years of the Old Stocktonians this Association would have ceased to exist many years ago without the care and efforts of Norman and people like him. For

that reason alone he deserves our memory.

After a brave fight against cancer RUTH GRAINGE died on 8th August 1989. One of three children of Doris & Maurice Honeyman of Yarm, Ruth started playing Hockey as a pupil at Yarm Grammar School. Her enthusiasm and skill led her to play for Norton Hockey Club and later she joined the Durham County and North of England Teams. In 1975 she was spotted by the England selectors and played her first-match as a member of the team in the world tournament in Edinburgh that year. Ruth's connections with the Old Stocktonians was through her work as Head of Ladies P.E. at Stockton Sixth Form College. Through Peter Hudson and Graham Rayner a multi-team Sports Extravaganza was arranged in the early days of the College and it was able to continue successfully because of the help, encouragement and unstinting effort she gave to the department. After 'retiring' to have a family Ruth recently returned to part-time teaching and was working once again at Stockton Sixth Form when her illness was diagnosed. She will be sadly missed by all who met her and learned from her both on and off the field and court. Ruth leaves a widower Bill and two sons Jonathan and David.

We were saddened to hear of the death, in July 1988, of R.F. LAVERICK who was on the staffs of the Secondary and Grangefield Schools from 1925 to 1952.

Professor KEITH STEWARTSON F.R.S. who died on May 7th 1983 aged 57 was Goldsmid Professor of Mathematics at University College, London. He was recognized world-wide for his remarkable perceptive and original researches into the applications of mathematics, especially to the dynamics of fluids in motion. Keith was brought up in Billingham and was the youngest of three children. His eminent academic career was nearly smothered at its inception when the eleven plus examiners failed him. Fortunately however they put him on a reserve list from which he was given a place at the Stockton Secondary School in 1936. After a brilliant performance in the School Certificate Keith was encouraged to enter only a year later, in 1942, for the Higher School Certificate. Immediately after his extremely distinguished examination achievement leading to a State Scholarship and Kitchener Memorial Scholarship to St. Cathrine's College, Cambridge, the family home received a direct hit from a German bomb. Happily, however, the Stewartsons escaped owing to their air-raid shelter's robust construction.

Keith completed the requirements for an excellent first class degree in mathematics in two years at St Catherine's (1942 - 44). After war service which involved research work with the gunnery range at Orfordness in Sussex he returned to Cambridge in 1946 to take a Ph.D. In 1949 he was appointed Lecturer in Applied Mathematics at the University of Bristol, being promoted reader in 1954. He became Professor of Applied Mathematics at the University of Durham in 1958 and took up the Chair at University College in 1964. Shortly afterwards, in March he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society. He was awarded the Honorary

Degree of DSc by the University of East Anglia in 1979.

Keith's passion lay in solving equations governing the motion of liquids and gases and our present knowledge of "separation" of the boundary layer (crucial in determining the drag in aircraft in flight) owes much to the insight which he showed in his mathematical studies. He was frequently consulted by scientific and engineering and research laboratories and aircraft manufacturers. His stature in Applied Mathematics may stand in comparison with those giants of the past Sir George Stokes, Lord Kelvin and Lord Rayleigh. Within his department Keith was much concerned with the welfare and progress of every kind of student and of the staff as well as with his research. The hospitality of Keith and his wife was legendary and his happy, generous personality, coupled with his staunch support of those conducting good research and teaching made him one of the most widely loved and revered of mathematicians. He is survived by his wife Jean, whom he married in 1953 and by their two sons and one daughter.

MARJORIE HUGILL STYAN died in hospital on August 17th 1989. She attended Stockton Secondary School from 1929 to 1936. After taking a degree in History at London University she returned North to teach and soon, in 1951, took up an appointment at her old school in the new Grangefield Buildings. She continued as Head of History in the Girls' School until it was closed, at which time she took charge of the History Department at Stockton Sixth Form College. Any newcomer needing information on Stockton and its people soon knew exactly to whom they

should apply for help!

She is remembered for her organisation of enjoyable school visits to places of historic interests and for her support of the Old Stocktonians as well as of the Grangefield Old Girls' Association for which, for many years, she compiled a much appreciated newsletter. In retirement, despite her brave and uncomplaining battle against cancer, she made her home a welcoming centre for former colleagues, and other friends to whom she gave encouragement in their various activities. She was a past Chairman of the Cleveland Branch of the Historical Association and a member of the British Association of University Women. Her other interests included voluntary work for the Stroke Club and Swimming for the Disabled. Above all came her devotion to her church, St Paul's, in which tribute was paid to her in the funeral address by her former colleague, the Rev. June Thomas. She is greatly missed. Our sympathy goes out to her sister, Muriel Hudson (1931 -38) and the other members of her family and friends.

#### CREDITS

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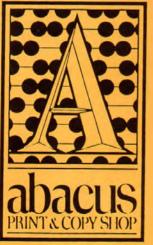
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