

Old Stamfordian Club



APRIL 2024

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE

Dear Old Stamfordian

As we near the end of April, the Reunion on Saturday 8 June is fast approaching and there is still space available for the lunch so please keep drumming up interest. Whether you are attending alone or as a group, you will always be amongst friends, and if you have any queries do contact the Alumni Relations Office.

As well as the lunch, the Andrew Carter touch rugby tournament will be played in the evening, and there will be a cricket match against Toilethorpe Park on Sunday 9 June. We are also looking for cricketers and rugby players to participate in these so if you would like to be involved please let Tom Gulland know.

As always, we hope you enjoy reading this latest update and if you have any news or memories that you wish to share then please let us know.

With best wishes to you,

The Old Stamfordian Club Committee

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OLD STAMFORDIAN NEWS

Year 13 Lunch with OS

It was wonderful to welcome back so many of our Old Stamfordians from both Stamford School and Stamford High School on Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 April, as they joined Year 13 students to speak about their futures and life after Stamford.

It was an extremely valuable opportunity for students to hear directly from OS about the career paths they have chosen and to pick up some sector-specific tips and gain an insight into the OS community that they are soon to join.

Thank you to all who joined us and sharing your much-valued knowledge.



Old Stamfordians in Nepal

Lieutenant Colonel Johnny Fenn (OS 86) wrote to us at the end of last year, to say:

"At the beginning of January, I am heading back to Nepal to head up the Gurkha Welfare Trust effort in Nepal. I shall be back in the army after 12 years as a Lt Col again.

The reason I'm telling you this is that the new officer commanding British Gurkhas Pokhara (and my next door neighbour) is Major David Carter (OS 10). Turns out we were both in Exeter House at Stamford - albeit about 25 years difference! Not only that, I came from Nassington and David came from Yarwell. A huge coincidence that the two senior posts for the Gurkhas in Pokhara are both Old Stamfordians..."



Johnny has written to us directly from Nepal with an update, along with the picture above of himself (left) and David. [You can read his update on the School's website.](#)

Josh Hull (OS 22)

At the beginning of the month there was a brilliant article in The Telegraph about (OS 22) Josh Hull, who currently plays for Leicestershire County Cricket Club.



Described as 'Leicestershire's left-arm fast bowler' the article says that he has already caught the eye of England selectors with his raw pace, swinging deliveries, and undeniable talent.

Honing his skills during his time at Stamford School, Josh is turning heads with his ability to swing the ball and bowl at express pace. 'Bowling at an astonishing speed of 82mph and making his mark in the final of the One-Day Cup last summer, successfully defending eight runs as Leicestershire scraped home to beat Hampshire.'

With England looking to build a deep fast-bowling attack for the next Ashes, Josh Hull could be one to watch!

[The full article can be read here.](#)

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOLS

Swimming Success

We are delighted to share the remarkable achievements of Sixth Form student Bruce at the Aquatics GB British Championships held in London.

Along with winning gold in the 50m butterfly, Bruce also set a British record in the breaststroke.

[More about Bruce's achievements can be read here.](#)



Chapel Choir in Westminster Abbey

During the Easter break, the Stamford Schools' Chapel Choir had the fantastic opportunity to sing Choral Evensong at Westminster Abbey. The 40-strong choir, comprising students from Years 6-13 and members of staff, performed *O Thou the Central Orb*, *Psalm 136*, *the Magnificat*, and *Nunc Dimittis*.



[You can read more about the performance here.](#)

EVENTS

Reunion 2024

Booking for Reunion is now open.

This is a key annual event for our Old Stamfordians to come together, reminisce and reconnect, through a day of celebrations.

There will be a programme of activities for Old Stamfordians to take part in, including a service in the Chapel, lunch and school tours. On Saturday evening, together with the Old Girls' Guild, we invite everyone to join us for a hog roast, bar and sports.

The traditional Andrew Carter touch rugby tournament will again be taking place and is open to all to spectate, or participate in.

The timetable for the day is below, and [you can book here.](#)

Saturday 8 June

10:00 - Chapel Service (*Chapel*)

10:30 - Registration and Coffee for the AGM (*The Atrium*)

10:45 - OSC AGM (*Dining Hall*)

12:00 - Pre-Lunch Drinks for the OSC Lunch (*Location TBC*)

12:30 - OSC Lunch (*Oswald Elliot Hall*) *Dress: smart casual but diners are encouraged to wear OSC colours*

14:00 - 16:00 - Full School Tours

17:00 - Andrew Carter Touch Rugby (*Mainfields*)

18:45 - Hog Roast - jointly with OGG (*Mainfields*)

Sunday 9 June

14:00 - OS Cricket v Tolethorpe (*Tolethorpe Park CC*) - *for the Rev. T. Wright Cup*

[Book Tickets](#)

Reunion Year Group Representatives

Contacts:

David Denney (OS 74)

Simon Richardson (OS 84) / 07974 395220

Golf Meets

Luffenham Heath Spring Golf Meet

Saturday 18 May 2024

Burghley Park Summer Golf Meet

Friday 19 July 2024

Luffenham Heath Autumn Golf Meet

Saturday 5 October 2024

Contacts: John Cartwright & Geoff Holyoake

50 Year Celebration for 1974 Leavers

With this year's Reunion fast approaching, to celebrate the 50 year milestone of leaving Stamford for our 1974 leavers, David Denney and Chris Wilmshurst are hosting a dinner on the Friday evening (7 June) at the Crown, Stamford.

If you are interested in attending please contact [David](#) or [Chris](#).



Boston Lunch

Saturday 28 September 2024

12 noon for 12.30pm at Boston & County Club, Parkgate, Boston, Lincolnshire PE21 6RL

Dudley Bryant (OS 61) has shared with us the information for this year's Boston Lunch. Taking place at Boston & County Club on Saturday 28 September, the lunch is a delightful event that offers the opportunity to reminisce with fellow Old Stamfordians and take a trip down memory lane.

If you wish to attend, please [contact Dudley](#) in the first instance.



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BOSTON O.S. ANNUAL REUNION

Saturday, 28th September 2024

at Boston & County Club, Parkgate, Boston, Lincolnshire PE21 6RL

Invitation

**to all Members, Partners & Friends of the
Old Stamfordian Club and Old Girls Guild**

Join us for a Bar Lunch, Drink, and a Chat

Dress Code : Smart Casual / OS & OGG Colours

Please contact your OS and OGG friends to come and join us.

Please RSVP before Saturday 14th September 2024

Dudley Bryant MBE [OS 1951-1961]

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186th London OSC Dinner

Wednesday 6 November 2024

Please note this is the provisional date and still to be confirmed.

Further details to be announced in due course.

FAREWELLS

David Fulton (OS 58)

David's brother, Patrick Fulton (OS 59) wrote to inform us of David's passing. He writes:

David died on 25th March at his home in Fareham, Hampshire with his wife Ann and his three sons James, Nicholas and Andrew beside him. David had been ill for several years and had been on kidney dialysis which was becoming more and more difficult. Finally he decided to stop the dialysis all together, with the inevitable result was that he died nine days later.

David enjoyed his time at Stamford School. He started in the Junior School under the strict eye of Miss Ennals and Miss Edwards. Many will remember her phrase "I will give my last tap for silence, anyone who speaks after this will leave the room." David progressed through to the sixth form where his A levels in Maths, Chemistry and Physics secured him a place at the Royal Naval College Dartmouth.

Having completed his Officer Training, he attended London University, where, after three years he graduated with a degree in Electrical Engineering. He then opted to become a Submariner which is somewhat surprising considering he was 6ft 3in and was unable to stand up straight in the older submarines. Things improved as Polaris submarines were bigger, although he hardly saw the world due to the fact that they were under the water for the majority of the time. David retired with the rank of Commander and moved to Fareham where he had several acres of land and a huge barn and outbuildings.

It was in the barn that David spent much of his retirement restoring Austin 7's. As a member of the local Austin 7 Club his advice was frequently sought as there was not much he did not know. He also had two tractors, grass cutters and an ancient bailer all of which broke down on numerous occasions. However invariably they were up and running in no time.

David will be sadly missed by all who knew him, particularly the Austin 7 owners club who will have to find a new font of all knowledge.



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