

Old Stamfordian Club



JULY 2021

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Old Stamfordian

As the sun shines and we move forward with cautious optimism as restrictions are lifted, Old Stamfordian Club activities have still been somewhat limited of late. Nevertheless work is continuing behind the scenes to bring you the scheduled programme of events in the late summer and autumn and these are shaping up to be memorable occasions, being the first OS events since 2019!

Details of these can be found further down the page, and please do follow the links to register your interest.

I would like to invite you, once more, to make contact if there is any support the Old Stamfordian Club can offer in these times.

With best wishes to you and yours,

Phillip Hoskins

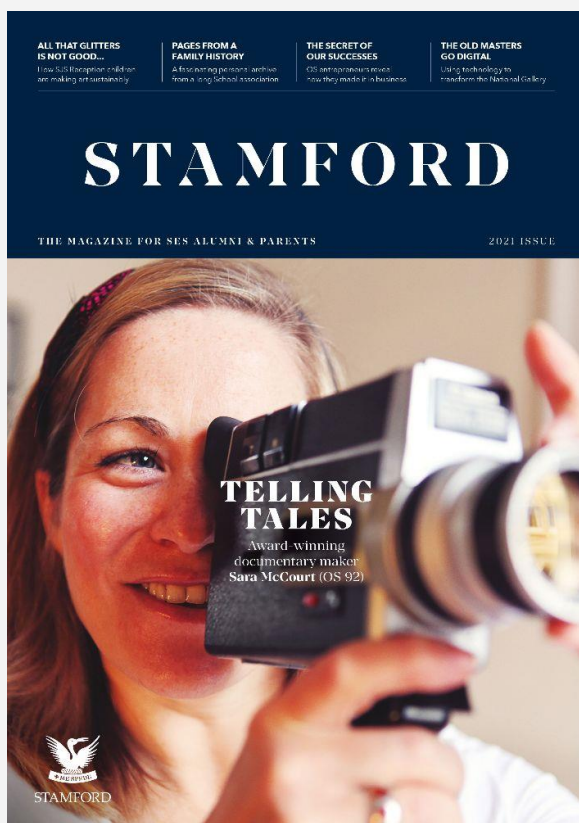
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NEWS

Magazines

We are delighted that our final publication of the year, Stamford Magazine, is now available for you to read on the Schools' website, along with past Stamford magazines, and previous editions of the OSC & OGG magazines.

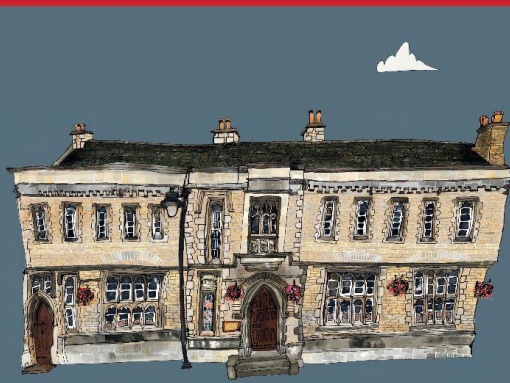


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The Principal's House

After fire damaged the Principal's House (formerly the Headmaster's House) on 12 June last year, the house is looking delightful again. Will Phelan and his family have since moved back in and were thankful for your words of support in the aftermath.





REMINISCENCES

Responses to Bartle Frere's Dates

John Hatton (OS 67) writes:

With reference to Harvey Clegg's note about blue paper for dates, the longer senior school dates had to be written on one line so making the writing very small and extra tedious.

Also, referring to the 'black market' in blue paper, there was also a facility to pay another boy, usually a 'goodie' who did not have his own dates to do, to do yours for you, some sort of payment changed hands, probably sweets or bubble gum! And yes, I was in both camps, I once wrote them out for somebody and also got them done for me by somebody else at another time. The worst bit though was going to your housemaster, Mr Moody, and having to explain to him why you had been mis-behaving....again.

WHERE ARE YOU NOW...?

On the back of the hugely positive responses to our membership survey, one of the suggestions is that we update our community with the latest news about our Old Stamfordians and what they are doing now.

If you would like to participate in this and possibly feature on social media and in the next annual OSC magazine, [please feel free to contact us](#), with a picture if possible. We would love to hear from you about your time since leaving the Schools, and what you are doing now.

FUTURE EVENTS

Old Stamfordian Autumn Get-Together and AGM

20 November 2021

In the absence of being able to host a formal Reunion Weekend for 2021, we are pleased to be able to announce a one day event for Saturday 20 November 2021 (subject to government guidelines).

[Booking for this event is now live and you can find schedule of events and ticket information here.](#)

Contact: [Natalie Pretsell, Community Engagement Manager.](#)

Annual Autumn Reunion Lunch @ Boston

18 September 2021

Boston and County Club PE21 6RL

Expressions of interest to Dudley will be greatly appreciated at this stage.

Contacts: [Dudley Bryant MBE](#)

[Phillip Hoskins](#)

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Old Stamfordian Golfing Society

Friday 27 August 2021

Meeting @ Burghley Park Golf Club

Saturday 9 October 2021

Meeting @ Luffenham Heath

Contacts: [Neil Nottingham](#) (for the Burghley Event)

[Geoff Holyoake](#) (for the Luffenham Heath Event)

London Old Stamfordian Dinner - for those who attended Stamford School

10 November 2021

RAF Club, 128, Piccadily, London W1J 7PY

Contact: [Ian Brassington](#)

Old Stamfordian Reunion Weekend 2022

Friday 10 June 2022 to Sunday 12 June 2022

Contact: [Natalie Pretsell, Community Engagement Manager.](#)

FAREWELLS

We are sad to report the passing of two Old Stamfordians and we extend our sympathy to their families and friends.

Norman Browning (OS 47)

The following obituary appeared in the Stamford Mercury.

Mercury Obituaries



NORMAN BROWNING

Norman Browning was born on June 26, 1929 at Shrewsbury.

His father was a Flight Sergeant in the RAF who was posted to RAF Wittering soon afterwards. Norman arrived in Stamford as a babe in arms. He was christened in All Saints church Stamford on the 20th October 1929.

Norman was educated at St Augustine's School and won a scholarship to Stamford School in 1939 and remained there until 1947. These were wartime years, hard and often sad. The headmaster announced in chapel the

at Stamford, Norman was promoted to the headquarters of the department in London in 1964. In 1975 after a further promotion and a little tired of life in London he volunteered to transfer to a connected office, the Office of The Chief Insurance Officer at Southampton.

He was awarded the MBE in 1986 for work on applying European law to the British Social Security legislation. He retired in 1988.

Catherine died on April 17, 2000 and was buried in Stamford. Norman returned to Stamford where he still had family connections and friends the following year. He lived in Torkington Gardens where he was known as a kind and thoughtful man. He never wanted to inconvenience anyone, never asked for much and always tried to do the right thing for people around him. He was a helpful neighbour and a generous friend to many.

In his 70s he travelled widely in Europe and in Australia where he visited friends, enjoying new adventures, great company and exceptional food. Norman took a great interest in technology and patiently learnt about and used new gadgets right into his 90s.

Norman was always there with a listening ear and gentle encouragement, interested in you and the world around

Paul Frisby (OS 93)

Paul passed away aged 46 in May after a short battle with cancer. Paul - aka Fris - joined Stamford School in 1986 and enjoyed Stamfordian life to the full going on to play rugby for the 1st XV and competing on the track in the athletics team. Paul spent much of his professional life working in recruitment, most recently for an engineering and high technology consultancy. Paul loved sport playing rugby to a good level for many years after leaving school. He was a very keen cyclist, racing for the local club near his home on the South Downs. Paul leaves his wife, (Jacqui) daughter, (Ella) and two step children (Caitlin and Sam). His funeral was held at Worthing crematorium and attended by a good number of OS with whom he had been firm friends since school days. Paul will be remembered as positive, determined, grounded and fun - characteristics he showed right to the end. He was a great friend to many people and an exemplary husband and father. He will be sorely missed.



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